



Embajada de Costa Rica
Reinhardtstrasse 47A, 10117 Berlín, Alemania
Teléfono 0049 (0) 30-26398990
embcr-de@rree.go.cr

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

In its capacity as Pro Tempore Presidency (PPT) of the Central American Integration System (SICA), the Embassy of Costa Rica in Germany has the pleasure to invite you to participate in the Webinar:

“Science, Technology, Innovation and Creativity: development avenues for the region”.

Date: **Thursday, May 20th, 2021 from 16:30 to 18:00** (Central European Summer Time)

The Webinar will kick off with an address by Prof. Dr. Bert Hoffmann, lead research fellow of the German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA), followed by keynote speakers Dr. Paola Vega Castillo, Minister of Science, Technology and Telecommunications of Costa Rica and Dr. Federico Torres Carballo, Vice-minister of Science, Technology and Telecommunications of Costa Rica. The webinar will also have the participation of the Vice-minister of the Secretariat of Transparency of Honduras and in Charge of Digital Government, Mr. José Mario Reyes; and the Administrator General of the National Authority of Panamá for Governmental Innovation, Mr. Luis Ricardo Oliva Ramos.

The Ambassador of Costa Rica in Germany, Ms. Lydia María Peralta Cordero, and the Director of the Latin American Studies Institute of GIGA, Prof. Dr. Merike Blofield, will moderate the event.

This third virtual event, organized by the Costa Rican SICA-PPT in Germany, focuses in advancing science, technology, creativity and innovation in the Central American region. Costa Rica encourages the exchange of views and experiences in these issues, with the aim to identify progress and challenges that are faced by the region. Making progress in this field will facilitate actual means for the population to have access to better life conditions and, accordingly, to a higher wellbeing.

The event is in cooperation with GIGA and will be held in Spanish.

Register in advance for this webinar: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3ZXnagEqSx-3kc45BAvLJA

We look forward to welcoming you to the event.

