

Mauricio Yepez

Mauricio Yepez served as Ecuador's Minister of Economy and Finance from 2004 to 2005. Prior to that, he was President of the Banco Central del Ecuador (the country's central bank) from 2001-2004. In 2003-2004, he also was Ecuador's chief negotiator for the country's free trade agreement with the US. Aside from several years with the IMF in Washington and leading a private sector bank, Mr. Yepez worked most of his early career in the central bank of Ecuador, starting in 1982 and rising to Deputy Managing Director in 1997. Mr. Yepez earned a master's degree in economics from Williams College in 1982 and a bachelor's in economics from Universidad Catolica in Ecuador in 1980. Since 2008, Mr. Yepez has been Regional Vice President for Banco de Guayaquil, the second largest bank in Ecuador. From 2005 to 2008, he worked with the Andean Development Corporation, a regional development bank based in Colombia.