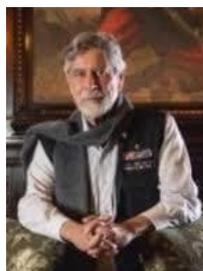


Francisco Sagasti: Biographical Note (October 2025)



Dr. Francisco Sagasti is professor at the Graduate School of the Universidad del Pacífico, where he holds a UNESCO Chair on Knowledge and Innovation for Social Transformation. He is also senior affiliated researcher at the Instituto de Estudios Peruanos (IEP) in Lima, Peru. Dr. Sagasti has been President of the Republic of Peru and member of Congress, where he headed the parliamentary caucus of his party and chaired the Science, Technology, and Innovation Committee.

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Dr. Sagasti has been chairman of the Board of the Science and Technology Program at the Prime Minister's Office in Peru; member of the Board of Governors of the Canadian International Development Research Centre (IDRC), of the International Advisory Board of the Lemelson Foundation, of the Governing Board of the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), and of the Advisory Board of the United Nations University. He has also been Chief of Strategic Planning and Senior Advisor at the World Bank; chairman of the United Nations Advisory Committee on Science and Technology for Development; Senior Advisor at the Department of Scientific Affairs of the Organization of American States and the Community of Andean Nations; Silberberg visiting professor at the Wharton School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania, visiting professor at the University for Peace in Costa Rica and at the Instituto de Empresa in Madrid; and associate researcher at the Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex. He is a member of the "Club de Madrid" that gathers a hundred former democratic Heads of State and Prime Ministers.

In Peru, his native country, Dr. Sagasti has been founder and executive director of GRADE a leading Peruvian policy-oriented think-tank; advisor to the ministers of Foreign Affairs, Education, Industry, and the Prime Minister; advisor to the Chief of the National Planning Institute, member of the board of the National Council for Science and Technology, and member of the board of the Industrial Technology and Standards Institute. He has also taught the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú and the ESAN business school, and has been consultant to numerous private, public and international civil society organizations.

He holds engineering degrees from the National Engineering University in Lima, Peru, an MSc in industrial engineering from Penn State University, and a Ph.D. in operations research and social systems sciences from the University of Pennsylvania. He has been visiting lecturer at universities in various regions of the world, delivered keynote speeches at scores of academic events, and holds an honorary doctorate from the Universidad Continental in Lima.

In 2017 Dr. Sagasti received the Robert K. Merton Award of the International Sociological Association for his academic and professional achievements in the field of social studies of science and technology. Previously he received the Paul Hoffman Award created in memory of the Administrator of the Marshall Plan and first Executive Director of the United Nations Development Programme.

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