



# Canning Lecture

with

**H.E. President Guillermo Lasso Mendoza**  
President of the Republic of Ecuador



**More Ecuador in the World and More  
of the World in Ecuador**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

**17:30-20:30 GMT**

The Canning Lecture will begin at 18:00 GMT

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# H.E. Guillermo Lasso Mendoza

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## President of the Republic of Ecuador



President Guillermo Lasso Mendoza was elected President of the Republic of Ecuador in May 2021. Mr. Lasso holds over 50 years of experience in the public and private sectors in Ecuador. In 2012, he established the political party *Creando Oportunidades* (CREO). It was with this party that he was elected President in 2021, following his third presidential campaign.

Prior to his presidential career, Mr. Lasso was the Executive President of Banco Guayaquil (1994–2012), and established Ecuador Libre, a think-tank and not-for-profit organization whose objective is the investigation, analysis, and diffusion of public policies based on liberal principles. He also held political roles at regional and national levels in Ecuador.

In 2011, he received an Honorary Doctorate from the Universidad de las Americas (Americas University), in Quito. He has also authored two books: *Cartas a mis hijos* (Letters to my children) y *Otro Ecuador es posible* (Another Ecuador is possible).

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## Canning Lecture with H.E. President Guillermo Lasso Mendoza, President of the Republic of Ecuador

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, Canning House will host a Canning Lecture with His Excellency Guillermo Lasso Mendoza, President of the Republic of Ecuador, in Glasgow.

The President, whose Canning Lecture in Glasgow coincides with his visit to the United Kingdom for the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP26), will speak on the topic: 'More Ecuador in the World and More of the World in Ecuador.'

Lord Mountevans, Honorary President of Canning House, will inaugurate the event and welcome attendees. After the President has delivered his lecture, there will be an opportunity for audience questions, moderated by Cristina Cortes, Canning House CEO. Nick McCall, Chair of Canning House, will close the Canning Lecture. The event will be followed by a networking reception.

Since 1997, the Canning Lecture has been delivered by a visiting Latin American or Iberian President or Head of Government. The Canning Lecture is one of the most high-profile such events in the UK, and a unique opportunity to hear from and engage directly with a current Latin American or Iberian leader.

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### About Canning House

Canning House is the UK's leading think tank on Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC), at the forefront of raising mutual awareness and understanding, aiding policy-making and disseminating best practice among our key associates, members and followers worldwide on the region's political, economic and social trends and issues, business risks and opportunities.

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# Programme of Events

TIME (UK)	ACTIVITY
17:30-17:45	Registration and refreshments
17:45-18:00	Guests to take seats in the Main Hall
18:00-18:05	Inauguration of the event and welcoming remarks by Lord Mountevans, Honorary President, Canning House
18:05-18:45	 Canning Lecture with H.E. President Guillermo Lasso Mendoza <b>More Ecuador in the World and More of the World in Ecuador</b> <i>Simultaneous translation available.</i>
18:45-19:15	Questions and Answers Moderated by Cristina Cortes, CEO, Canning House
19:15-20	Closure of the Canning Lecture by Nick McCall, Chair, Canning House
19:20-20:30	Networking Reception
20:30	Close

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## Biographies



### Lord Mountevans

#### Honorary President, Canning House

Jeffrey Mountevans is an elected hereditary Peer and a member of the House of Lords, where he sits on the crossbenches. He served as Lord Mayor of London in 2015-16. He worked at international shipbroking firm Clarksons for 45 years, and now chairs the board of Maritime London, in addition to other leading roles in British shipping organisations. Lord Mountevans has been Canning House's Honorary President since 2018.



### Nick McCall

#### Chair, Canning House

Nick was raised in Argentina and Brazil and spent his early career in a number of Latin American countries working for Bank of London & South America (BOLSA). He is fluent in Spanish and Portuguese. In the UK, Nick chairs the Financial Executives Networking Group (FENG) UK Chapter, establishing links between senior financial executives across the globe, and was most recently Head of Wealth Management at Dolfin Financial, an independent wealth management platform.



### Cristina Cortes

#### CEO, Canning House

Cristina Cortes is an Oxford and LSE politics and economics graduate. Having worked in government, banking and energy across a variety of commercial, business development and government relations roles in London, Houston, Venezuela, Colombia, Argentina and Brazil, in 2015 she joined Canning House, the UK's leading forum for Latin America and Iberia. She took over as CEO in 2018.

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At Canning House, we are constantly striving to improve and host events that interest our audience. In light of this, we would like to gather feedback on this **Canning Lecture**.

All attendees will receive an email including a **short post-event survey**. We kindly ask that you provide any feedback you may have, such that we can provide the best experience possible at future Canning House events.

## Get in touch

If you have any questions about this event, Canning House, or any other queries not covered in this document, please visit our website [canninghouse.org](http://canninghouse.org), contact us at [events@canninghouse.org](mailto:events@canninghouse.org) or call our office on +44 (0) 20 7811 5600.

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