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I am President of CEIPA Institución Universitaria in Medellín, Colombia, a position I have held since 2012. I have been part of the institution for most of my professional career.

My work centers on innovation in education. I am committed to expanding access to high-quality higher education for working adults and first-generation students across Latin America. I began my career as a computer scientist, which led me to pioneer online higher education in Colombia. I designed one of the country's first virtual university models and introduced a problem-based curriculum built around two-month academic terms. Today I am focused on competency-based education, microcredentials and the integration of artificial intelligence into teaching and learning.

I am also launching Outcometrics, an edtech venture that helps institutions measure and improve learning outcomes, bringing data and evidence to the center of academic decision-making.

At CEIPA, we earned institutional high-quality accreditation from Colombia's Ministry of Education, renewed in 2026 for six years. We also joined the Cintana Alliance, whose anchor university is Arizona State University. During the pandemic, I led the Ministry's Plan Padrino initiative, through which we supported other institutions and trained more than 1,500 faculty members.

I hold an Ed.D. in Global Education from the University of Southern California and an M.A. in Higher Education Administration from Universidad de los Andes, and I completed Harvard's Institute for Educational Management.

At Stanford, I look forward to learning from leaders across industries and to exploring how organizations can innovate and scale their impact.