



**Guillermo Ortiz**

*Governor, Banco de México*

Guillermo Ortiz became Governor of the Bank of Mexico in January of 1998. He was ratified as Governor for another six-year term beginning in January 2004. From December 1994 to December 1997, Dr. Ortiz served as Secretary of Finance and Public Credit in the Mexican Federal Government. Prior to heading the Finance Ministry, he served briefly as Secretary of Communications and Transportation at the outset of the Zedillo's Administration.

His past professional experience includes having served as Undersecretary of Finance and Public Credit from 1988 to 1994. Before that position, he was Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund (1984-1988) and Manager, as well as Deputy Manager, in the Economic Research Bureau of the Bank of Mexico (1977-1984), and an Economist in the Ministry of the Presidency of Mexico.

Dr. Ortiz has also taught at universities in Mexico and the United States. He has written and published two books and numerous papers on economics and finance in specialized journals in Mexico and abroad. He has received several honors and awards. As of March 1, 2009, he is Chairman of the Board of the Bank for International Settlements (BIS). At the BIS he chaired the Central Bank Governance Forum. He was a member to the committee of eminent persons in charge of studying sustainable long-term financing of the IMF (2006) and of the Committee on IMF Governance Reform (2008). He is also member of the Board of Directors of other International Fora, and a member of the Group of Thirty. On February 2008, Dr. Ortiz was appointed to the advisory board for the Globalization and Monetary Policy Institute at the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.

Dr. Ortiz earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México and later a PhD in Economics from Stanford University.