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Daron Acemoglu, Mohamed A. El-Erian, Gita Gopinath, and Carmen Reinhart join the Group of Thirty

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(Washington) The Group of Thirty (G30) announced today that four leading figures in economics and finance have accepted an invitation to join the Group's membership:

- Dr. Daron Acemoglu, Institute Professor in the Department of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Dr. Mohamed A. El-Erian, Chief Economic Advisor, Allianz; Chair, Gramercy Fund Management; and President of Queens' College, Cambridge University;
- Dr. Gita Gopinath, Economic Counsellor and Director of the Research Department, International Monetary Fund
- Dr. Carmen Reinhart, Vice President and Chief Economist, World Bank Group

Dr. Gopinath stated: "I am greatly honored to be joining the G30 and look forward to engaging with the Group and contributing to it's work."

Dr. Reinhart responded: "It is with delight and positive expectations I accept membership in the Group. I am grateful for the opportunity to engage with and contribute to the organization."

Dr. Acemoglu stated: "I thank the G30 for the privilege of becoming a member. The Group uniquely bridges financial, economic, and political debates and I look forward to deliberating with and learning from the other members."

Dr. El-Erian stated: "It is an absolute honor and pleasure to join so many friends as a member of the G30. Having followed the activity of the Group for numerous decades, I am excited to participate in it's important work."

Dr. Jacob A. Frenkel, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, stated: "We are delighted to welcome these outstanding leaders to membership of the Group of Thirty. They will add fresh and relevant insights to the Group's deliberations and discussions. The collective experience and individual perspectives of Carmen, Daron, Gita, and Mohamed will contribute greatly to the G30 in pursuing its mission."

Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Chairman of the G30, said: "Each of this exceptional group of individuals joining the G30 has been making major contributions to thinking and practice in international economics and finance. The Group looks forward to their independent contributions to its discussions and work program in the years to come."

The Group of Thirty, founded in 1978, is an independent global body comprised of economic and financial leaders from the public and private sectors and academia. It aims to deepen understanding of economic and financial issues, and of the international repercussions of decisions taken in the public and private sectors. Members participate in the Group in their personal capacities, not on behalf of any organization, public or private, that they may be affiliated to.

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