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Dr. Sarmiento has a courtesy appointment as a Research Fellow at the FIU Kimberly Green Latin American and Caribbean Center (LACC). In his role, Dr. Sarmiento assists LACC in developing and advancing a focused line of inquiry on disaster risk reduction, resilient critical infrastructure, and environmental security in the Latin American and Caribbean region. For 16 years, he was Professor and Associate Director of Research at the Extreme Events Institute at Florida International University (FIU-EEI).

Dr. Sarmiento has been a consultant for the World Health Organization (WHO), the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO/WHO). He was a member of the Working Group on Social and Economic Research Applications (WG SERA) of the World Meteorological Organization. He served for a decade as Technical Manager of the regional risk management program in Latin America and the Caribbean of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). Dr. Sarmiento has intervened in the disaster risk management and disaster risk reduction of multiple events—including earthquakes, tropical storms, landslides, and droughts— throughout the Latin America and Caribbean region.