Foreword

Pensions at a Glance in Latin America and the Caribbean provides for the first time an ample range of indicators for comparing pension system design of 26 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean. The indicators are comparable with those of OECD countries and selected G20 members, published by the OECD.

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