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Anya María Mayáns is the Director of the Latin America Financial Literacy Initiative at the Council for Economic Education in New York City. In this role, as of September 2007, she has been responsible for extending the reach and deepening the impact of the Council's work in economic and personal finance education, in Latin America.

Ms. Mayáns has a Masters degree in International Relations from Brandeis University with a focus on Conflict Management, and a Bachelors degree in Psychology. Prior to undertaking her thesis field work in Copenhagen, Denmark, exploring the lives and integration experiences of refugees to Denmark who had survived political violence, she held several positions in the public and private sector in New York City. In addition to her extensive volunteer work with Latin American immigrants and the elderly, Ms. Mayáns served as a New York City Urban Fellow in 1999-2000 in the New York City Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications. Ms. Mayáns is a citizen of both the United States and Uruguay and is dedicated to empowering the youth of Uruguay to develop into highly-effective private and public sector leaders.