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Francisco Gil Díaz was born in Mexico City on Sept. 2, 1943. From 1962 to 1966, he studied economics at the Mexican Autonomous Technological Institute. In 1972, he finished a doctorate in economics at the University of Chicago.

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