

## **RELIGION AND DEMOCRACY IN LATIN AMERICA:**

### **Religious Engagement with Rights and Justice in Latin America: Environment and Gender/Sexuality**

A workshop organized by American University's Center for Latin American and Latino Studies (CLALS)  
with generous support from the Henry Luce Foundation

February 27-28, 2014

## **WORKSHOP AGENDA**

### **Day 1: Thursday, February 27**

**1:30pm** Depart Holiday Inn-Georgetown (Shuttle Service Provided)

2101 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20007

**1:45pm** Coffee and Pastries  
Mary Graydon Center 200

**2:00 – 5:00pm** First Workshop Session

**Topic:** What does the current landscape of post-democratic rights and social justice-based movements and conflicts look like at present in Latin America? At present how would we describe the locations of our two major areas of interest, gender/sexuality and the environment/climate change, as parts of this landscape? We hope to take up these questions as a way to engage with the initial proposed framework provided by the workshop organizers, and the comparisons and contrasts made there regarding these two sets of focal concerns.

**5:45pm** Depart American University (Shuttle Service Provided)

**6:00 – 8:30pm** Dinner (for outside participants)

DeCarlo's Restaurant, 4822 Yuma St NW, Washington, DC 20016

**8:30pm** Return to Holiday Inn-Georgetown (Shuttle Service Provided)

### **Day 2: Friday, February 28**

**8:30am** Depart Holiday Inn-Georgetown (Shuttle Service Provided)

**8:30 – 9:00am** Coffee and Pastries  
Abramson Family Founders Room, School of International Service

**9:00am – 4:00pm** Second Workshop Session

**Topic:** We have divided up our considerations into four clusters of key questions, each to be considered in turn. To begin each discussion, we have asked select workshop participants to offer

a brief overview of the landscape and associated questions and issues, after which we will maintain a round-table forum throughout the session.

**9:00 – 9:15am** Welcome and Opening Remarks

Eric Hershberg, American University  
 Robert Albro, American University  
 Macarena Sáez, American University  
 Evan Berry, American University

**9:15 – 10:30am** Religion in, and Engaged with, Societies and Communities

**10:30 – 10:45am** Coffee Break

**10:45am – 12:00pm** Religious Actors, Networks, and the Transnational Church

**12:00 – 1:00pm** Catered Lunch

**1:00 – 2:15pm** Religion and the State: Relationships, Alliances, and Conflicts

**2:15 – 2:30pm** Coffee Break

**2:30 – 3:45pm** Identifying Case Studies

**3:45 – 4:00pm** Wrap-Up and Final Thoughts

Eric Hershberg, American University  
 Robert Albro, American University  
 Macarena Sáez, American University  
 Evan Berry, American University

**5:00 – 6:30** Public Forum: Religion and Justice in Latin America Today  
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**6:30** Reception

**7:00** Return to Holiday Inn-Georgetown (Shuttle Service Provided)

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Joseph Eldridge, American University  
Paul Freston, Wilfrid Laurier University  
Marcial Godoy-Anativia, New York University  
Eric Hershberg, American University  
Guillermo Kerber, World Council of Churches  
Carlos Monge, Revenue Watch Institute  
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Ricardo Rozzi, University of North Texas  
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