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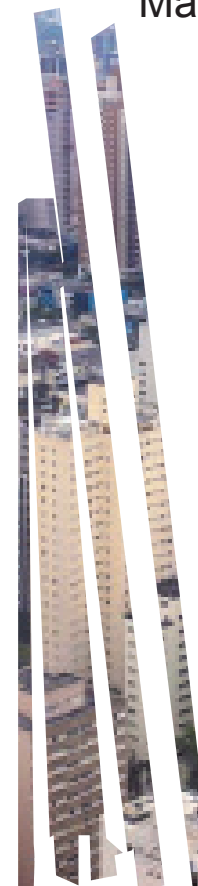
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**Re-thinking the State:
Law and Politics in the
Making of Inequalities in
Latin America**



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Background and Objectives

Is the state capable of reducing or eliminating inequalities, or is it a major factor in their production and reproduction? The assumption that the state is one of the most powerful and important actors for reducing inequalities and the resulting patterns of socio-economic (and political) exclusion dominates the mainstream literature on welfare state development in Latin America. Darker dimensions of state practices, however, are repeatedly brought to our attention. These range from the effects of selective targeting of welfare recipients, of the uneven territorial reach of social policy implementation, and of the criminalization of poverty and exclusion of specific social groups. These state practices suggest that, far from reducing inequalities, states actively contribute to their perpetuation.

This workshop turns to the state and state practices as objects of analysis, and seeks to bring together an interdisciplinary group of scholars in order to critically interrogate the state and state practices as active producers of social, cultural and political inequalities in Latin America. The discussion is organized along three interrelated sessions which are concerned with different dimensions of the state and state practices. Participants will address particular cases that speak to the wider, diverse regional context. The first session sets up the broad historical context in which we frame our discussion of Latin American states and state practices and their relation to questions of inequality. It is followed by two thematic sessions concerned with transformations in the current, neoliberal moment, but which are attentive to historical continuities and changes.

Program

Friday, April 4

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Marianne Braig (Freie Universität Berlin)
Introduction

10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Panel I: Violence, Inequalities and State-Making

Moderation: **Veronica Schild** (University of Western Ontario)

Gabriel Salazar (Universidad de Chile):
Legitimidad del Estado en Chile y ejercicios populares del poder constituyente, 1822-2013

Peter Waldmann (Universität Augsburg):
Como la falta del monopolio estatal de la violencia influencia las desigualdades sociales en América Latina

11:30 a.m. - 12:00 a.m. *Coffee Break*

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Pablo Piccato (Columbia University):
Public Attitudes Toward Crime and Extrajudicial Punishment in mid Twentieth-century Mexico

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. *Lunch*

2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Panel II: Judicialization of Politics and Inequalities

Moderation: **Marianne Braig** (Freie Universität Berlin)

Domingo Lovera Parmo (Universidad Diego Portales):
Judicialization of Indigenous Politics in Chile

Veronica Schild (University of Western Ontario):
Utopia without Politics? Rethinking "Human Rights" as a Discourse of Emancipation

3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. *Coffee Break*

4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Mariana Mora (CIESAS):
Indigenous Nahua Women Naming State Violence: The Effects of Human Rights, Masculinities and the Security Politics in the Mountain Region of Guerrero

Lorena Ossio (Max-Planck-Institut für Sozialrecht und Sozialpolitik):
La Judicialización de Políticas: Hacia un Estado Judicial?

Saturday, April 5

10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Panel III: Criminalization and Inequalities

Moderation: **Markus-Michael Müller** (Freie Universität Berlin)

Kate Swanson (University of California, San Diego):
Youth Migration, Violence and Punitive Policies in the Americas

Rosalva Aída Hernández (CIESAS):
Structural Racism and the Criminalization of Poverty: Imprisoned Indigenous Women in Mexico

11:30 a.m. - 12:00 a.m. *Coffee Break*

12:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Elana Zilberg (University of California, San Diego):
Gangster, Cop: Violence and Masculinity between the Americas

Paul Hathazy (University of California, Berkeley):
Variations on the Latin American Penal State: Diverging Structures and Effects of Penalization in Argentina and Chile

1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. *Lunch*

2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Summary Panel

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