



“After Santiago: Regional Integration and European Union-Latin America Relations”

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Program

8:30am: Welcome

- **Leonidas Bachas**, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Miami
- **Joseph Ganitsky**, Director, CIBER, School of Business, University of Miami
- **Rebecca Friedman**, Co-Director, EU Center, Florida International University

Opening Words:

- **Jorge Valdez**, Executive Director, Europe-Latin America Foundation

Keynote address

- **Christian Leffler**, Managing Director, Americas Department, European External Action Service (EEAS), Brussels, Belgium. “The CELAC-EU Summit: a mile stone in the relations between the European Union and Latin America”

9:15am-11.00am: Session I: “The EU and Latin America: a special relationship?”

Chair: **Ariel Armony**, University of Miami

Alexandru Mihai Ghigiu, National School of Political and Administrative Studies (SNSPA), Bucarest, Romania. “Interregional vision of Latin America - between the European model and the U.S.”

Javier Bonilla Saus and Virginia Delisante Morató, University ORT, Montevideo, Uruguay. “Europe (and America) America: Who distances away from whom?”

Orlando José Mejía Herrera, National Autonomous University of Nicaragua (UNAN-León), León, Nicaragua. “The influence of the European Union jurisprudence on the courts of Latin American integration systems.”

Marcos Aurelio Guedes de Oliveira, Federal University of Pernambuco, Brazil. “The European integration model as a guide to regional powers in the XXI century”

Comments: **Joaquín Roy**, University of Miami

11.15am-1.00pm. Session II: “Are some agreements more equal than others?”

Chair: **Antonio de Lecea**, Minister Counselor, Delegation of the European Union to the United States

Imtiaz Hussain, Universidad Iberoamericana (México), “The Spanish banks problems: Consequences for Mexico”

Veljko Milutinović, Graduate School of Business Studies, Belgrade, Serbia/ European University Institute, Florence. “The Association Agreement between Central America and the European Union: Lessons and future indicators for the liberalization of European trade”

Roberto Domínguez, Suffolk University, Boston/ European University Institute, Florence. “The agreements with Peru and Colombia”

Beatriz Hernández, Diego Portela University, Santiago de Chile, “The Association Agreement EU-Chile: A glass half empty?”

Comments: **Guillermo Lousteau**, Inter-American Institute for Democracy, Miami

1.00-2.00: Lunch

2.00-3.45: Session III: “South America, UNASUR, or MERCOSUR?”

Chair: **Ambler Moss**, University of Miami

Michel Leví-Coral, Simón Bolívar Andean University, Quito, Ecuador. “EU-South America: A possible link between global players”

Pedro Miguel Montero González, Andean Parliament, Bogotá, Colombia. “The South-American Parliament: a real possibility or a demagogic discourse?”

“The role of the Andean Community in the integration of South-America”

Rita Giacalone, University de Los Andes, Mérida, Venezuela. “The new South American integration agreements: Implications for the strategy of inter-European regionalism”

Alejandro Pastori and Sergio Abreu Bonilla University of Uruguay / Uruguayan Council for International Relations (CURI), Montevideo, Uruguay. “Democratic commitment in UNASUR”

Comments: **Aimee Kanner**, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Ratón, Florida

4.00-6.00. Session IV: “Integration or trade?”

Chair: **María Lorca**, University of Miami

Félix Peña, National University of Tres de Febrero (UNTREF), Buenos Aires, Argentina. “Terms of cooperation in Latin America and Europe”.

Eric Tremolada, University Externado, Bogotá, Colombia. “The relationship between the European Union and Latin America: Growth and development”

Philippe De Lombaerde and Liliana Lizarazo, The United Nations Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS), Bruges, Belgium, “Free Trade Agreements against constitutional rights”

Carlos Quenan, Institute of Advanced Studies in Latin America (IHEAL) / University of Paris III Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris, France. “The Eurozone crisis and its impact on bi-regional economic relations between the European Union and Latin America/Caribbean.”

Comments: **Paolo Giordano**, Inter-American Development Bank, Washington DC

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