



NorLARNet Newsletter No. 437, 26 April 2019

Dear subscribers to the NorLARNet newsletter

In December you received what we feared would be the last NorLARNet newsletter. The funding for the network had ended.

Now we are happy to announce that we have received funding from the Centre for Development and the Environment (SUM) at the University of Oslo, the centre that have all the time hosted the network's secretariat. This means that we will be able to continue with a weekly newsletter and a website. The website has got a new design and location, under SUM:

www.sum.uio.no/english/research/networks/norlarnet

Our aim is to provide a gateway to research on Latin America in Norway and our activity will concentrate on the dissemination of research-related news through the NorLARNet newsletter and website. From now on the newsletter and website will only be in English.

With a reduced budget, we will have a very limited capacity to arrange seminars etc., but we will still intend to provide logistical and scholarly support for the organization of Latin America research related events in Norway.

We hope you will appreciate the return of a renovated NorLARNet, and that you will keep us informed on events, publications and other relevant news.

EVENTS

Venezuela's crisis: democracy, security and international actors

Invitation to an open dialogue, with a panel of world-renowned scholars: **David Smilde**, Tulane University; **Natalia Gan**, Universidad Católica Andrés Bello; and **Victor Mijares**, Universidad de Los Andes.

[See announcement.](#)

Time: Thursday 2 May: 18:00 – 19:30

Place: Litteraturhuset, Wergelandsveien 29, Oslo

Struggle For Justice In Venezuela - film and panel

Premiere of the documentary film: "Struggle For Justice In Venezuela", on the history of the NGO Foro Penal, followed by a discussion with **Alfredo Romero**, Executive Director of Foro Penal, **Stener Ekern**, University of Oslo, and moderated by **Leiv Marsteintredet**, University of Bergen. Organized by Foro Penal Chapter Norway and The Norwegian Venezuelan Justice Alliance.

[See announcement.](#)

Time: Friday 10 May: 16:00 – 18:30

Place: Cinemateket, Filmens hus, Dronningens gate 16, Oslo

The recession of neoliberalism in Education: The case of Chile

Keynote by Dr. Claudia Matus, Pontifical Catholic University of Chile, at the ILP Conference 2019.

[See the conference website.](#)

Time: 14 May

Place: Auditorium D10 at Dragvoll campus, NTNU, Trondheim

RESOURCES

Yonder – A new portal to Norwegian and Latin American literature and editorial illustration

Based on their common interest and passion for literature and illustration, **Signe Prøis** from Norway and **Caro Curbelo** from Uruguay have created a website they hope will be a “a place where anyone who loves books and illustrations can be inspired, get ideas and get lost in a dream”.

[Have a look at Yonder](#) (in Norwegian and Spanish)!

Renewed website for European research on Latin America

Earlier this year the European Network of Information and Documentation on Latin America (Redial) and the European Council for Social Research on Latin America (Ceisal) announced that they relaunched their comprehensive website on European research on Latin America (mainly in Spanish).

[Go to the Redial & Ceisal portal.](#)

RESEARCHERS' OPINIONS

What actually happened to the inequality in Latin America?

The significant poverty reduction we saw between 2003 and 2015 has now turned to an increase. A major problem is the lack of success in getting a larger share of the workforce into more productive sectors, writes **Benedicte Bull**, University of Oslo, in [an article in Bistandsaktuelt 25 April 2019](#) (in Norwegian).

No to LatiNATO

This is perhaps the worst possible time to open a debate on NATO membership in Latin America, and it would neither benefit NATO nor Latin America, writes **Benedicte Bull**, University of Oslo, in [an article in Dagsavisen 8 April 2019](#) (in Norwegian).

No to war and sanctions against Venezuela

There is reason to be deeply concerned about the Trump administration's war threats and sanctions policies against Venezuela, write a group of **25 Norwegian academics** in [an article in Dagbladet 28 March 2019](#) (in Norwegian).

The greatest danger for Bolsonaro, his vice president

If Bolsonaro's problems and loss of popularity continue, the interests of vice president Mourão and the majority of Congress can be aligned, putting the former in the dilemma between his declared loyalty to the president and his political ambitions, writes **Leiv Marsteintredet**, University of Bergen, in [an article in El País \(Spain\) 21 March 2019](#) (in Spanish).

PUBLICATIONS

Article: La vicepresidencia y los problemas de la sucesión presidencial en América Latina. Viejos y nuevos retos para el presidencialismo

By **Leiv Marsteintredet**, University of Bergen, in [Política y gobierno. XXVI: 117-137](#).

Article: Allies and Traitors: Vice-Presidents in Latin America

By **Leiv Marsteintredet**, University of Bergen, and Fredrik Ugglå, Stockholm University, in [Journal of Latin American Studies](#). Published online 31 January 2019.

LATIN AMERICA NEWS FROM NORWEGIAN MEDIA

This section displays a selection of last week's news, as presented by Norwegian media (internet versions):

[33 døde etter jordskred i Colombia](#) Aftenposten-26. apr. 2019
[Trump truer Mexico med å sende væpnede soldater til grensen](#) ABC Nyheter-24. apr. 2019
[Tusenvis fra Brasils urbefolkning demonstrerer for landrettigheter](#) Nettavisen-24. apr. 2019
[Venezuela-støtte i Trumps nabolag – Aktivister okkuperer forlatt ...](#) Aftenposten-24. apr. 2019
[Jeg er optimistisk for Nicaragua. Jeg har sett ...](#) Aftenposten-24. apr. 2019
[Brasils ekspresident får redusert straff](#) ABC Nyheter-24. apr. 2019
[Mexico har returnert 15.000 migranter](#) ABC Nyheter-24. apr. 2019
[Ny dyster drapsrekord i Mexico](#) ABC Nyheter-21. apr. 2019
[13 personer drept på fest av væpnet gjeng i Mexico](#) NRK-20. apr. 2019
[Fernando flyktet fra Venezuela: – Absolutt alt der er korrupt](#) ABC Nyheter-19. apr. 2019
[Ecuadors eks-utenriksminister anklages for oppvigleri og ...](#) ABC Nyheter-18. apr. 2019
[Perus tidligere president er død](#) VG-17. apr. 2019
[Guatemalansk presidentkandidat pågrepet i USA i narkosak](#) ABC Nyheter-17. apr. 2019
[Krisehjelp fra Røde Kors er kommen fram til Venezuela](#) Fjordabladet-17. apr. 2019
[USA gjeninnfører Cuba-restriksjoner](#) Dagens Næringsliv-17. apr. 2019
[Ecuador utsatt for 40 millioner kyberangrep etter Assange-pågrepelse](#) digi.no-17. apr. 2019

We invite everybody to inform us about:

- *Events, publications, calls and news* of relevance to Latin America researchers in Norway
- *Research projects and results* that may be listed/featured on our website
- *Comments* about Latin America written by researchers in Norway and published in media

You have now been added to the Norlarnet-group mailing list. Please contact us if you do not wish to receive these e-mails, or if you know someone who should be added to it.

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