

# **Thinking Through Latin American Studies**

After more than twenty workshops and events organized in six years the time is ripe for the Swiss School of Latin Americas to take a reflexive pause. At our workshop, we will enquire into methods and orientations of Latin American studies and reflect on its links and contributions to the various disciplines with which it interacts.

What do the SSLAS members understand as "Latin American Studies" from the stance of their respective disciplines? How does the "Latin-Americanist" lens change the configuration of these fields of knowledge, the objectives the discipline, the view on priorities for research? And even more specifically, what can Latin American Studies do in and to Switzerland? What are the obstacles, but also the specific interest, of bringing a reading of and from Latin America into this particular European country? Which goals and processes unite us as a community of scholars, and what do we have to offer, to whom?

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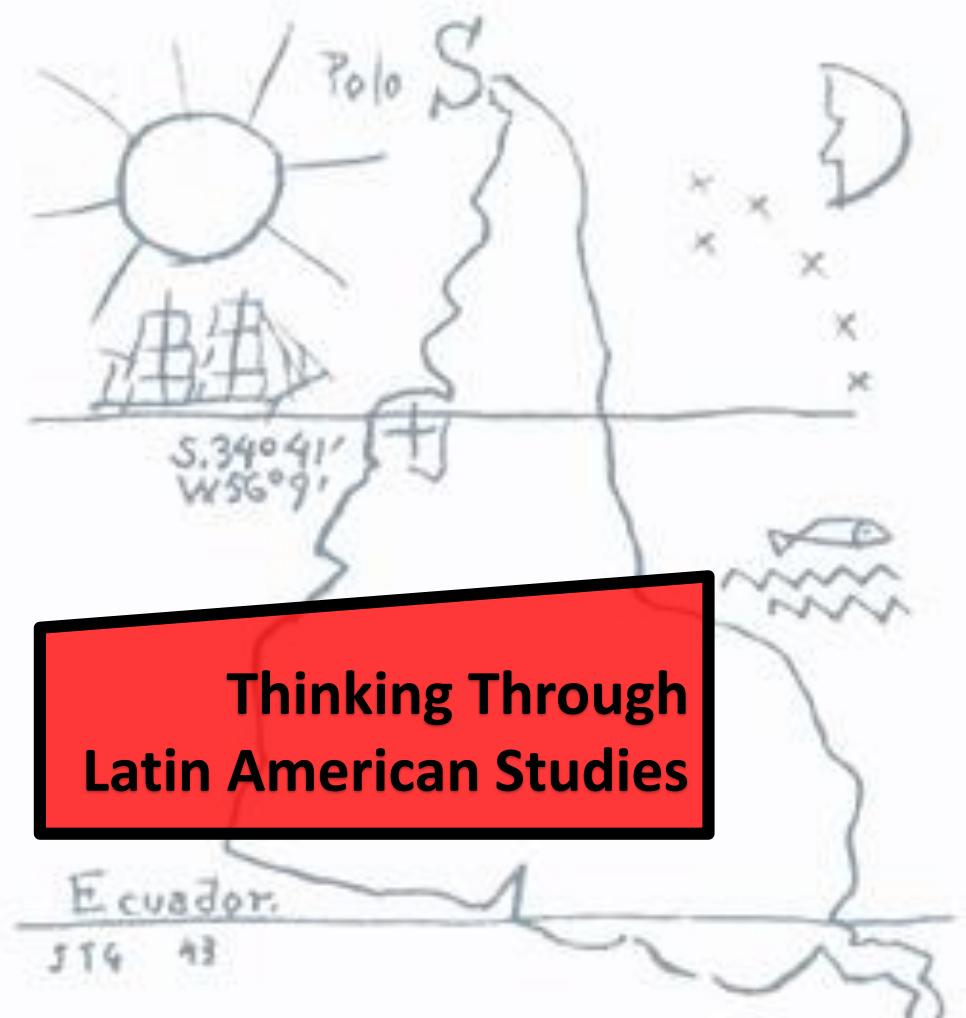
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## FRIDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2018

### 14:00-14:15 ORGANIZERS WELCOME

- VALERIA WAGNER AND DOLORES PHILLIPS-LÓPEZ, UNIVERSITÉ DE GENÈVE
- YVETTE SANCHEZ, UNIVERSITÄT ST. GALLEN

### 14:15-15:30 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

- NICOLA MILLER, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, LONDON  
« *Republics of Knowledge: Interpreting the World from Latin America* »
- Introduction by ALINE HELG, UNIVERSITÉ DE GENÈVE

### 15:30-17:00 PANEL: EMPOWERMENT OR IMPOVERISHMENT?

Chair: YVONNE SIEMANN, UNIVERSITÄT LUZERN

- YIRA LAZALA, IHEID, « Land restitution, indigenous peoples and the political transition in Colombia : The Inga people in Aponte-Nariño »
- CRISTIAN TERRY, UNIVERSITÉ DE LAUSANNE, «Turismo, educación y empeoramiento femenino: el caso de las Tejedoras de Chinchoro (Cusco, Perú)»
- ANAHY GAJARDO, UNIVERSITÉ DE NEUCHÂTEL, « Mujeres indígenas, extractivismo y multiculturalismo neoliberal: el caso de las mujeres diaguita (Atacama, Chile)»

### 17:00-17:45 COFFEE BREAK

### 17:45-19.00 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

- SÉRGIO COSTA, FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN  
« *A PORT IN GLOBAL CAPITALISM: UNVEILING ENTANGLED ACCUMULATION IN RIO DE JANEIRO* »
- Introduction by GRAZIELLA MORAES-SILVA, IHEID GENÈVE

### 19:30 DINNER (Un R de famille )

## SATURDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2018

### 09:00-10:00 WORKSHOP: CONFERENCE ORGANIZING – CHALLENGES AND BEST PRACTICES

- NOAH OEHRI AND ISABEL PINIELLA, UNIVERSITÄT BERN

### 10:00-11:30 PANEL: THROUGH THE DISCIPLINARY KALEIDOSCOPE

Chair: YANINA WELP, UNIVERSITÄT ZÜRICH

- ANDRÉS ORÍAS-BLEICHNER, UNIVERSITÉ DE GENÈVE, «The religious throne of Bolívar in Charcas: The cenacles of Chuquisaca Cathedral and their political projects before independence»
- ROSIE SIMS, IHEID GENÈVE, «Towards a brave new world: Understanding vector, virus and human relations in Colombia»
- ELENA ROSAURO, UNIVERSITÄT ZÜRICH, «Historia y violencia en América Latina: Prácticas artísticas»

### 11:30-12:00 COFFEE BREAK

### 12:00—13:30 ROUNDTABLE: THINKING THROUGH THE DISCIPLINES: IMAGINING A FUTURE FOR LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES IN SWITZERLAND

- PARTICIPANTS: ALINE HELG, YANINA WELP, YVETTE SÁNCHEZ, CHRISTIAN BUESCHGES (UNIVERSITÄT BERN), NICOLA MILLER, SÉRGIO COSTA
- Moderated by CORINNE PERNET, UNIVERSITÉ DE GENÈVE

### 13:30 SNACK AND GOOD-BYES