

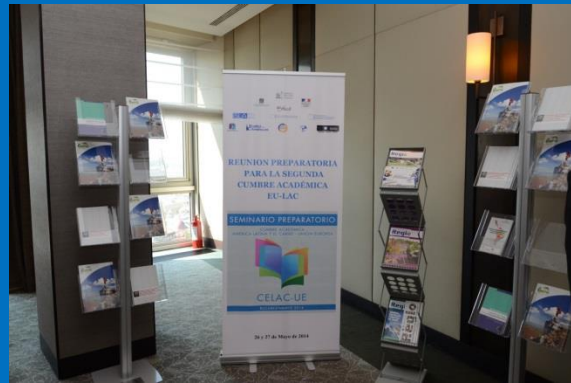


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Message from the Director

Dear colleagues,

Shortly after opening the Latin American Studies MA in Bucharest, a unique initiative in Romania, it is my great pleasure to welcome the first generation of students, being sure that they will become reliable partners in our commitment to foster the EU-LAC relationship.

I strongly believe that well-qualified young people, that share a common vision about the development of the EU-LAC relations and understand the opportunities and the challenges existing in the regions, will give a fresh impulse to the partnership between EU and Latin America.

Finally, I want to assure you that we work intensively to develop the Latin American Studies in Romania in order to become a hub for Latin American related activities in the Central and Eastern Europe.

I thank you for your support and your attention and I wish you success in your activities!

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Call for papers, EJLAS, no. 4

The editors of the European Journal of Latin American Studies invite you to submit papers for its fourth issue. The EJLAS is an initiative of the Institute of Latin American Studies at the National School of Political Studies and Public Administration. This journal is bilingual (comprising articles/book reviews in English and Spanish), is issued twice a year and has filed the indexing request in the case of two international databases.

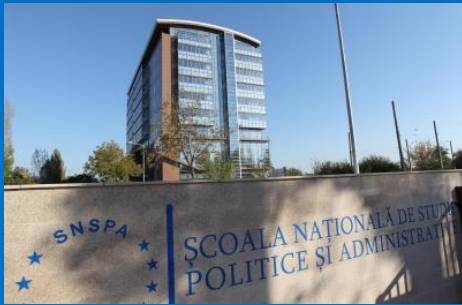
The EJLAS appeared from a great interest in disseminating the results of the academic research conducted at the Institute, from the necessity of providing academic researches with a platform enabling them to publish on topics related to bi-regional relations between Europe and Latin America, to the both regions' visions on development, to the perspectives of integration of the European Union and of the Latin American area or to other topics dealing with regional issues. At the issuing time of this academic journal in Romania, this was the sole initiative dedicated entirely to the Latin America and the Caribbean region.

This journal aims at setting new standards in terms of research in the field of Latin American studies and providing quality expertise for the international and domestic academic environment. The journal is open to contributions from different theoretical paradigms and environments, and shows no preference for a particular theoretical, methodological or epistemic approach.

Information for Authors:

1. Manuscripts will be accepted on the understanding that their content is original. The EJLAS does not consider submissions currently under review at other journals or those that duplicate or overlap significantly with materials that have been submitted to other publishers.
2. Manuscripts should be written in English or Spanish in order to be considered for review.
3. Manuscripts may be of 4500-8000 words (or longer if approved by the editors). They must also include an abstract (maximum 200 words), keywords (maximum 5) and the author's short presentation (affiliation, research interests and recent publications).
4. Manuscripts should conform to the notes and bibliography version of The Chicago Manual of Style (http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html).
5. Manuscripts will be submitted as an email attachment to this email address: contact@isla.eu.com.
6. The deadline for abstracts submissions is the 2nd November 2014 and for manuscripts submissions is the 30th of November 2014.





The opening of the first Latin American Studies MA in Romania

The Department of International Relations and European Integration has inaugurated the first Latin American Studies' master program on Wednesday, October 1, 2014 at once with the opening of the new university year in the new headquarter of the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration of Bucharest.

The outlining of such a program resulted from the need to meet the requirements and changes occurring in the international system, as the Latin American states are becoming increasingly attractive for the international community.

Through its bilingual (English and Spanish) courses, the Program's purpose is to introduce students to the developments in the Latin American space, to analyse phenomena triggering various actions and above all, to attempt to predict relations between the states in this area and the European Union, the US or other relevant actors in the international system.

The Program aims to become a regional point of interest for those intending to complete their training in international relations and to acquire expertise in Latin American issues.



Chile and its relations with Latin America and the EU Conference

On Monday, September 29, 2014, the Department of International Relations and European Integration and the Institute of Latin American Studies have hosted the conference "Chile and its relations with Latin America and the EU", dedicated to students and PhD candidates of the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration.

The key speaker of the conference was His Excellency, the Ambassador of Chile to the WTO, Mr. Casanueva Hector Antonio Ojeda.

The event was divided into two phases: firstly, Mr. professor Casanueva has made a presentation of the Chile and its relations with Latin America and the European Union, highlighting the evolution of the country in the context of his partnership with the EU; secondly, a discussion session was moderated by Mr. professor Iordan Barbulescu, the Director of the Institute of Latin American Studies. During this last part of the event, the participants have had the opportunity to exchange ideas and to receive answer at their questions from Mr. professor Casanueva.



Opportunities

Call for projects: The cultural, scientific and social dimension of EU-LAC relations

Call: H2020-INT-SOCIETY-2015

Subcall: H2020-INT-2014-2015

Planned Opening Date: 10-12-2014

Deadline Date: 28-05-2015

Type of action: Research and innovation actions

The research done under this H2020 work-programme should be focused on those areas that are deemed crucial to explain the current state of play of relations between EU and LAC, and those that are considered strategic for future interaction and cooperation between the two regions.

Proposals shall include at least three legal entities established in three different LAC countries. However, an even broader participation of international partners from the LAC countries in proposals submitted to this call is encouraged.

More information:

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/1064-int-12-2015.html#tab2>

The second Preparatory Seminar of the Second EU-LAC Academic Summit

This Seminar represents a continuation of the work carried out to plan the I Academic Summit in 2012 and the Seminar held in May of this year in Bucharest, with the objective of initiating the preparations that will culminate with the II Academic Summit, to be hosted by Brussels in June 2015.

This important Seminar will take place on November 25-26 of this year in the city of Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.

More information:

<http://www.2alcue.udg.mx/en/welcome>

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