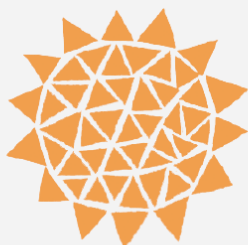




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DR. CARLOS E. PONCE

Director, Freedom House-Latin America

Friday, March 23, 2018

11:00 a.m.

232 Cathedral of Learning

Dr. Carlos E. Ponce is the director for Latin America programs at Freedom House. Ponce previously worked as the General Coordinator for the Latin American and Caribbean Network for Democracy, and has been a consultant for a variety of organizations focused on strengthening civil society, developing mechanisms to protect human rights defenders, and solidifying democratic institutions in the region.

Ponce is also a member of the Steering Committee of the World Movement for Democracy, the ISC of the Community of Democracies, and is the General Coordinator of the Latin American and Caribbean Network for Democracy. He received a Ph.D in Law and Policy from Northeastern University, and also holds Master's degree in Environmental Law from Vermont Law School, a Master of Arts degree in Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning from Tufts University, a JD from the Andres Bello Catholic University.

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Program

Friday, March 23, 2018

ROOM: 4430 Wesley W. Posvar Hall

8:30 a.m. Breakfast and Welcome

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Environmental Protection and Sustainability

- ◆ **Grace Krauser** (*University of Pittsburgh*)
Amazon Rainforest Deforestation: Strengthening Brazilian Conservation Policy
- ◆ **Akudo Ejelonu** (*University of Pennsylvania*)
Quantitative Evaluation on Community Perceptions of Sanitation and Hygiene in Rural Guatemala
- ◆ **Maria Paz Avilez Pincheira** (*University of Pittsburgh*)
Behind the progress on drinking water in rural areas of Peru

Discussant: **Giorleny Altamirano Rayo** (*Carnegie Mellon University*)

ROOM: G74 Hillman Library

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Social Policy

- ◆ **Alejandra Kisahí Ríos Mendiola** (*University of Pittsburgh*)
Challenges of Decentralization: Federalism and Social Policy in Mexico
- ◆ **Daniel Vasconcellos Archer Duque** (*Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro*)
Public Investment and Performance in Primary Education in Latin America: Decomposing expenditure and PISA's scores
- ◆ **Lycia Tramujas Vasconcellos Neumann** (*University of Pittsburgh*)
The profile and unmet needs of cancer patients' family caregivers in Brazil

Discussant: **Javier Vázquez Delia** (*University of Pittsburgh*)

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.— ROOM: 232 Cathedral of Learning

Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Carlos E. Ponce, *Director for Latin American Programs, Freedom House*

Friday, March 23, 2018 (*cont'd*)

12:30 —1:30 p.m. —Lunch—ROOM: 232 Cathedral of Learning

1:30 – 3:00 – p.m.— ROOM: Latin American Lecture Room-Hillman Library—1st Floor

Culture, and Power

- ◆ **Ben Barson** (*University of Pittsburgh*)
Jazz and the Black Atlantic in Cuban Performance Worlds
 - ◆ **Jason Garcia** (*California State University San Bernardino*)
Music is Power! Nueva Cancion's Push for an Indigenous Identity
 - ◆ **Arivel Figueroa** (*New York University*)
Cultural Plans
- Discussant: TBA
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1:30 – 3:00 p.m.—ROOM: Room G74 Hillman Library

Participation, Influence, and Lobbying

- ◆ **David McCoy** (*University of Pittsburgh*,)
Participatory Representation? Testing A General Framework for Democratic Accountability in São Paulo's Participatory Councils
- ◆ **Manoel Santos** (*Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais*)
Business Preferences and Development Paths under Center-Left Governments: the case of Chile and Brazil
- ◆ **Felix Puemape** (*PUC-Peru*)
Contentious politics in high-income areas during the construction boom in Peru

Discussant: **Aníbal Pérez-Liñan** (*University of Pittsburgh*)

3:15 – 4:15 p.m. – ROOM: Latin American Lecture Room-Hillman Library—1st Floor

The Politics of Natural Resources

- ◆ **Jose Incio** (*University of Pittsburgh*)
Nontax Revenue and Subnational Competition: Evidence from Peruvian Municipalities
- ◆ **Veronica Hurtado Lozada** (*University of British Columbia*)
Mining power: subnational participation in social conflicts in Peru

Discussant: TBA

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3:15 – 4:15 p.m.—ROOM: G74 Hillman Library

State, Violence, and Power

- ◆ **Collin Grimes** (*University of California Riverside*)
Virtue, Vice, and Partial Defense Industry Reform: The Promise and Peril of Closing Ranks in Argentina, 1983-1989
 - ◆ **Mercedez Callenes** (with Jennifer Holmes and Agustin Palao)
(*University of Texas at Dallas*)
Paramilitary Violence in Colombia: A Multilevel Negative Binomial Analysis
Discussant: **Robert Haydan** (University of Pittsburgh)
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Saturday, March 24, 2018

ROOM 1503 Wesley W. Posvar Hall

8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. Breakfast

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.—ROOM: 1500 Wesley W. Posvar Hall

Human Security and Policing

- ◆ **Mariana Ceva-Alvarez** (*University of Pittsburgh*)
Sex Trafficking in Argentina: The Gap between Legislation and Implementation
- ◆ **Mary Ellen Stitt** (*University of Texas at Austin*)
Redefining Crime to Redefine Enforcement: Restorative Policing in Belo Horizonte, Brazil

Discussant: **Javier Vázquez Delia** (*University of Pittsburgh*)

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ROOM: 1502 Wesley W. Posvar Hall

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Rethinking the Welfare State

- ◆ **Natassia Nascimento** (*Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro*)
How Can Taxation Help Improve the Incipient Welfare State in Latin America
- ◆ **Pedro Maia** (with **Daniel Duque**) (*Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro*)
Negative Income Tax: four designs to simulate its impacts in Brazil
Discussant: **Bert Rockman** (*University of Pittsburgh*)

Saturday, March 24, 2018 (cont'd)

10:45 – 12:15 a.m.—ROOM: 1500 Wesley W. Posvar Hall

Measuring Attitudes and Behavior

- ◆ **João Guedes-Neto** (with Manoel Santos and Asbel Bohigues) (University of Pittsburgh)
Same-Sex Marriage, Abortion, and Drugs: An Assessment of Non-Economic Liberal Values Among Political Elites
 - ◆ **Debora Thome** (*Universidade Federal Fluminense*)
Aspirant women in Brazil – searching new evidences for an outlier
 - ◆ **David Becerril** (*Carnegie Mellon University*)
Challenges and opportunities of using Twitter for statistical purposes: characterization of the Mexican Twitter Population
- Discussant: **Barry Ames** and **Scott Morgenstern** (*University of Pittsburgh*)
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10:45 – 11:45 a.m. ROOM: 1502 Wesley W. Posvar Hall

Public Investment and Participation

- ◆ **Dafne Murillo** (*Columbia University*)
Recall as a Tool for Accountability: Evidence from Peruvian Municipalities
- ◆ **Alfredo Trejo** (with Hibah Khan, Linda Kuster, and Payce Madden), (*Carnegie Mellon University*)
Cuba: Social Progress in Education and Health

Discussant: **Silvia Borzutzky** (*Carnegie Mellon University*)

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12:00 p.m.—Room 1503 Wesley W. Posvar Hall
Lunch an Closing Ceremony

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