

## ***The Biden Administration and U.S. Global Strategy***

### **Perspectives on the US and Latin America**

**Monday, 25 January 2021, 17.00 – 19.00 CET**

Joint seminar organized by:

Department of Area and Global Studies, Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw; Centre for Strategic Studies, Victoria University of Wellington, Center for National Security Studies, National Security Studies Center, University of Haifa, Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (México), Department of North American Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University; Polish European Academic Center for Exchange and Research – PEACER at NEIU

#### **Programme:**

##### 17.00 – 17.10 Introduction:

- Prof. Daniel Przystek, Dean of the Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw;
- Prof. Jakub Zajączkowski, Head of the Department of Area and Global Studies, Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw

##### 17.10-18.00 Presentations:

- Prof. Tony Payan, Director Center for the U.S. and Mexico Rice University's Baker Institute
- Prof. Maria Herminia Tavares, Department of International Relations at Universidade de Sao Paulo, Latin American Studies Association
- Prof. Vladimir Rouvinski, Director of the Lab on Politics and International Relations, Instituto Colombiano de Estudios Superiores de Incolda

- Prof. Jorge A. Schiavon , Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (Mexico), Asociación Mexicana de Estudios Internacionales)
- Dr Anita Oberda-Monkiewicz, Department of Area and Global Studies, Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw


18.00 – 19.00 Q&A session

Chair: Dr Joanna Gołowska-Bolek, Department of Area and Global Studies, Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw

**Prof. Tony Payan**

Françoise and Edward Djerejian Fellow for Mexico Studies and director of the Center for the United States and Mexico at Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy. He is also a professor of social sciences at the Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez in Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, Mexico. Between 2001 and 2015, Payan was a professor of political science at The University of Texas at El Paso.

Payan's research focuses primarily on border studies, particularly the U.S.-Mexico border. His work centers largely on issues of borderlands as areas of habitation, including the various conditions that affect life in liminal spaces. This includes cross-border flows, both legal and illegal, of people and contraband, as well as border governance. He also researches problems affecting the U.S.-Mexico relationship. Payan has authored two books, "Cops, Soldiers and Diplomats: Understanding Agency Behavior in the War on Drugs" (2006) and "The Three U.S.-Mexico Border Wars: Drugs, Immigration and Homeland Security" (2016). He has also co-authored a book tentatively titled "Una Guerra Improvisada: Historias Personales y Política Pública en la Guerra contra las Drogas bajo la Administración de Felipe Calderón" ("An Improvised War: Personal Stories and Public Policy in the War on Drugs during the Felipe Calderón Administration") (forthcoming). Additionally, he has co-edited the following books: 1) "Gobernabilidad e Ingovernabilidad en la Región Paso del Norte" ("Governance and Ungovernability in the North Paso Region," 2004); 2) "Human Rights Along the U.S.-Mexico Border: Gendered Violence and Insecurity" (2009); 3) "De Soldaderas a Activistas: La mujer chihuahuense en los albores del Siglo XXI" ("From Soldaderas to Activist: The Chihuahuense Woman at the dawn of the XXI Century," 2011); 4) "A War that Can't Be Won: Binational Perspectives on the War on Drugs" (2013); 5) "Undecided Nation: Political Gridlock and the Immigration Crisis" (2014); 6) "Reforma Energética y Estado de Derecho en México," ("The Rule of Law and Mexico's Energy Reform," 2016); 7) "The Future of U.S.-Mexico Relations: Strategic Foresight" (2020); and 8) "Binational Commons: Institutional Development and Governance on the U.S.-Mexico Border" (2020). He is currently




working on another volume tentatively titled “El Estado de los partidos políticos y el futuro de la democracia en México” (“The State of Political Parties and the Future of Democracy in Mexico”) (forthcoming). In addition, he has authored numerous book chapters, monographies and journal articles. Payan has served on several boards, including the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority in El Paso, Texas, and the Plan Estratégico de Juárez in Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, Mexico. He is a member of the Greater Houston Partnership's Immigration Task Force and the Mexico Energy Task Force. He previously served as president of the Association of Borderlands Studies between 2009 and 2010. He received a doctorate degree in international relations from Georgetown University in 2001.

**Prof. Maria Hermínia Tavares de Almeida**

Senior researcher at Centro Brasileiro de Análise e Planejamento (CEBRAP) and Professor at the University of São Paulo (retired) at the Graduate Programs of International Relations and of Political Science. At USP has been dean of the Institute of International Relations. She holds a Ph.D. in Political Science (1979) from the University of São Paulo and made post-doctoral studies at the University of California, Berkeley (1984). As a political scientist, she conducted research on public policies and Brazilian political institutions, and more recently on public opinion and foreign policy in Brazil. Published the books *Economic Crisis and Organized Interests* (Edusp, 1993), with Gian Luca Gardini *Foreign policy responses to the rise of Brazil – balancing power in emerging states*, (Palgrave-McMillan, 2016) and *The Golden years - essays on democracy in Brasil* (Horizontes) She has served as member of the International Political Science Association's Executive Committee (2006-2009), as President of the Brazilian Political Science Association (2004-2008) and as President of the Latin American Studies Association-LASA (2010-2012) and as member of the World Bank Chief Economist's Council of Eminent Persons. She is member of the Latin American Program's Advisory Council at the Woodrow Wilson Center for Scholars, and of the Academic Council of the European Union-Latin America and the Caribbean Foundation (EU-LAC Foundation). She holds the National Order of Scientific Merit (2006) and received the Academic Excellence Award in Political Science granted by the Social Sciences Graduate Programs Association-ANPOCS, Brazil (2013).

**Prof. Vladimir Rouvinski**

Director, Laboratory of Politics and International Relations (PoInt), and Associate Professor, Department of Political Studies, at Icesi University in Cali, Colombia, in addition to coordinating the Pacific Alliance Studies Program (PEAP). Vladimir graduated from Irkutsk State University, in Russia, majoring in history and international relations, and he also holds MA and PhD in International Development and Cooperation from Hiroshima University in Japan. Before joining



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**Prof. Jorge A. Schiavon**

Professor of International Relations at the International Studies Department, CIDE (Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas) (1999–today), Coordinator (2013–today) of the Interdisciplinary Program on Migration at CIDE (CIDE-MIG), and Executive Director of Mexico, the Americas and the World project (2010–today). He has been President of CIDE Foundation (2017–2019), Chair of the International Studies Department (2007–2010), Secretary General (Vice-Rector) of CIDE (2004–2007), Director of Development and External Affairs (2002–2004) of CIDE, and Director of the B.A. Program in Political Science and International Relations (2000–2001). He holds a Ph.D. in Political Science and International Affairs (University of California, San Diego, UCSD); He was President of the Mexican International Studies Association (AMEI in Spanish) (2011–2013), Founding President of the Latin American Federation of International Studies Associations (FLAEI) (2012–2013), and Fulbright's Mexico Studies Chair (2019–2020) at the Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies at UCSD. He is author or editor of 25 academic books and 150+ articles and chapters on Mexican foreign policy, history of Mexican international relations, migration, sub-State diplomacy (paradiplomacy); MIKTA, public opinion and foreign policy; regional integration in Latin America and North America; institutions, decentralization, and federalism in Latin America and North America; U.S.-Mexico-Canada relations and Hemispheric Latin American relations; Mexican, North

American, and Latin American political systems and foreign policies. Has taught 100+ undergraduate and graduate courses, and participated in 500+ conferences and lectures in 50+ countries. His most recent books are: *Los Fundamentos Internos y Externos de la Política Exterior de México (2012-2018)* (co-edited w/ A. Covarrubias Velasco, H. Garza y R. Velázquez Flores) (México: El Colegio de México & CIDE, 2020); *Los Clásicos de las Relaciones Internacionales: Ideas y Conceptos para la Construcción Teórica de la Disciplina* (co-edited w/ R. Velázquez y D. Morales) (México: CIDE, AMEI & UABC, 2020); E-mail: jorge.schiavon@cide.edu.

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