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Call for Papers

Colombia Internacional invites the academic community to participate in its next call for papers. This special issue, coordinated by Margarita Batlle (Universidad Externado de Colombia), Julieta Suárez-Cao (Universidad Católica de Chile), and Laura Wills-Otero (Universidad de los Andes), aims to contribute to the debate on **Subnational Politics in Latin America**. The articles can be submitted between **4 July and 15 August, 2016**.

Subnational politics is a growing field in contemporary Social Sciences. As in other regions, in Latin America there is great interest in understanding and explaining the dynamics and political processes developed at the local level, as well as their interconnections with other levels (e.g., regional, national and international). The specialists on these topics are asking themselves questions about the current heterogeneity in the configuration of political power and the levels of electoral competition throughout the country's territory; about the capacity of local state institutions to design and implement public policies; and about the impact of informal practices (such as clientelism and illegal mining, for example) in local political dynamics, among other questions.

With this call for papers we invite all those interested in subnational political dynamics in Latin America to write theoretical and/or empirical articles related to the thematic axes presented below, and to make use of a variety of methodologies in order to answer their research questions. In this sense, the call for papers is open to all types of research designs (both experimental and observational, and within the latter, case studies and comparative strategies) and methodologies (quantitative, qualitative and mixed).

Submissions covering the following topics –but not limited to– are welcome:

- 1.- Electoral Competition:** the competition of national and subnational parties at the regional and local levels and their coordination (or lack of it) throughout the territory; configuration of political power; electoral alliances among regional partisan elites.
- 2.- Local political regimes:** democracy and authoritarianism; representation and participation of minority groups; state capacity, institutionalization and governance.
- 3.- Informal institutions at the local level:** clientelism and corruption, among other practices.
- 4.- Political contexts:** mobilization, social and armed conflicts; structural conditions; interaction between structure, agency and political results.

5.- Political careers: analysis of political careers from a multilevel perspective, with a view to the different levels of competition and representation throughout the territory.

Colombia Internacional also publishes reviews, bibliographic essays or brief research documents with a critical approach to the issues specific to the subject in English, Spanish and Portuguese. We remind you that we also accept articles of general interest for other sections of the magazine.

During the submission period, you will be able to submit manuscripts via the link on the electronic version of the magazine, or send them directly to the following email address: colombiainternacional@uniandes.edu.co

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