



THE POLITICAL ECONOMY GROUP – LACEA

11th ANNUAL MEETING

CARTAGENA (COLOMBIA) MAY 20th-21st, 2010

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Political Economy Group of LACEA (PEG) has held annual meetings since 1998. The 2010 meeting of the PEG will take place in Cartagena, Colombia, on May 20th and 21st, and will be organized by Universidad de Los Andes and Fedesarrollo. As in previous years, the 2010 meeting aims to promote the discussion of connections between economics and politics. James Snyder, from MIT, will give a keynote presentation.

We are inviting contributions to be considered for presentation at the meeting. The accepted contributions are expected to be relevant for understanding the most demanding problems of Latin America and Caribbean countries. This allows for contributions addressing issues in other regions when those issues are deemed relevant to the Latin American context. The focus of the meeting will be on the connection between economics and political institutions broadly understood, including legislatures, courts, executives, political parties, elections, weakly institutionalized environments, the institutions of federalism and the workings of the public service. Studies of specific Latin American countries as well as comparative institutional analyses are also welcome.

Papers must be submitted no later than March 1st of 2010 for consideration for the meeting. A program committee integrated by Ernesto Dal Bó (UC Berkeley), Marcela Eslava (Universidad de Los Andes), Claudio Ferraz (PUC Rio), Frederico Finan (UC Berkeley), and Ernesto Stein (IDB) will select the papers to be presented. Submitted papers will be judged on their relevance and academic merit. Both theoretical and empirical contributions are welcome, as well as work by young scholars and graduate students. The organization has some funds to finance travel expenses of those participants not able to obtain full funding from their own sources.

If you are interested in submitting a paper, please do so no later than March 1st, 2010. The selection process will be completed by April 1st, 2010. Papers must be written in English to be considered. Full papers, in PDF format, should be sent to:

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