PUBLIC LECTURES 2007

LAI regularly arranges public seminars and panel discussions with Swedish and foreign researchers and experts on economic, social, cultural and political development in Latin America. The Institute also assists researchers, officers in public administration and business, news media and the public with information.

January 24

Globalization and Agriculture
The Articulation of New Systems of Food Supply in Latin America
Paulina Rytkönen, Doctor in Economic History, Stockholm University
Ulf Johnsson, Professor in Economic History, Stockholm University
Örjan Bartholdsson, PhD candidate in Social Anthropology

February 21

Artur Lundkvist
Spain and Latin America
René Vázquez Díaz, author and translator

March 21

Urban Bolivian Folk Music
Continuity and Change
Sari Pekkola, Doctor in Sociology, Lund University

April 2

Family, Cultural Change and the Restructuration of Sugar Production
Ana Vera, Doctor in Literature, Havana, Cuba

April 18

Brazilian Popular Music
Politics and Society
Nelson Latif, musician and Sociologist, Brazil
May 2  Female Leadership and Social Movements in Bolivia  
Charlotte Widmark, Doctor in Cultural Anthropology

May 14  Woman and Literary production in New Granada  
María Eugenia Osorio, Doctor in History of literature, Stockholm University

May 21  The Liberation of Abortion in Colombia  
A Profoundly Catholic Country, Mónica Roa, Director of the project Género y Justicia, Colombia

May 23  Andean Integration in the Context of the New Regionalism in South America, José Briceño Ruiz, PhD candidate at Universidad de los Andes, Venezuela

May 30  The Political Institutionalization of the Indigenous Movements  
Experiences from Guatemala and Ecuador, 1994-2004  
Magnus Lembke, Doctor in Political Science, Stockholm University

June 19  Juridical Challenges in the Context of the Negotiations with the Colombian Paramilitaries, Alberto Lara, lawyer and Political Scientist, Colombia

September 19  What Impact have the Multinational Companies had on Latin America? The case of the Spanish Energy Company “Repsol” in Colombia and other Latin American and Caribbean Countries  
Rocio Bedoya, PhD candidate at Instituto Ortega y Gasset, Universidad Complutense, Madrid

September 26  The Transition of the Energy Sector, Perspectives and Incidents in Venezuela and Latin America  
The Role Played by the Hydrocarbons with respect to Sustainable Human Development, Reinaldo Figueredo, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Venezuela

October 4  The Economic Situation in Cuba  
Development and Perspectives on the Future  
José Angel Pérez García, researcher at Centro de Investigaciones
October 22

**Music, Identity and Altery of Invisible Brazilians**
An Introduction to Tambor de Crioula, Jongo, and Cordão de Pássaros, Beatriz Ilari, researcher at the Federal University of Paraná, Curitiba, Brazil

October 24

**Pulp Fiction?**
Globalizing Industry and Nationalist Rhetoric in Argentina, Uruguay and Finland, Jussi Pakkasvirta, Professor in Latin American Studies, University of Helsinki

October 31

**Social Movements and Alternative Media in Latin America**
Alternatives to the Prevailing Hegemony in the Media Sector Mattias Ekman, PhD candidate in Journalism and Mass Communication, Stockholm University

November 7

**Media and Democracy in Latin America**
What are the Limitations and Challenges Ahead? Virginia Meilán, PhD candidate in Journalism and Mass Communication, Stockholm university

November 14

**The Ethics of Catholicism and the Development of Capitalism**
Eduardo Naranjo, Doctor in Sociology

November 21

**Beyond the Myth**
Che’s war in Bolivia, Humberto Vázquez Viana, Political Scientist, Sociologist and author

November 28

**Impacts and Social and Environmental of Soja Cultivation in Latin America**, Javiera Rulli, Biologist, Paraguay, Georgina Catacora, Agroecologist, Bolivia

December 5

**The Politics of Presence**
Women’s Representation in Mexico, Christina Alnevall, PhD-Candidate in Political Science, Stockholm University Pär Zetterberg, PhD-Candidate in Political Science, Uppsala
December 6

**Art as Mediation**

*Children, Media and Social Responsibility: Experiences from Brazil, Daniel Azulay, Brazilian multimediaartist*