



Elites and Class – Interrogating the Rich and Powerful in Latin America and Beyond

Young Scholars Workshop

The *Centro de Estudios Latinomamericanos* (CELA) of the University of Kassel organized a workshop on "Elites and Class in Latin America" on May 25th and 26th. A group of 14 international young scholars came to the University of Kassel to talk about social inequalities, power, and different political as well as economic elites in Latin America and beyond.



Participants: Marcus Ianoni, María Sol Parrales Lopez, Hobeth Martínez Carrillo, Pilar Manzi, Bastián González-Bustamante, Jan Ickler, Fabio Braun Carrasco, Nataly Prada Camacho, Fernando Chisnes, Gabriel Levita, Rafael Gonçalves de Almeida, Jan Schaller, Online: Christopher Chambers, Hugo Fanton, Juan Rios Prieto

The participants discussed changes in state-business relations, the legitimacy of elites, and the composition and profiles of Latin American parliaments and governments.

Particular focus was placed on methodological approaches to elite research such as network analyses, historical-comparative approaches, qualitative interviews, and quantitative, mathematical methods. During the two days, the young scholars were not only able to network, but also to get to know various debates in other international academic contexts.

Further Literature:

- Ickler, Jan and Rebeca Ramos (forthcoming), Eds: *The Political Economy of Elites in Latin America*.
- *Chambers-Ju, Christopher (forthcoming): Mobilizing Teachers: Education Politics and the New Labor Movement in Latin America. Cambridge University Press.*