CONFERENCE:

“The turn to the right wing, intervention and insecurity”


The Latin American Council for the Social Sciences (CLACSO) and the Arab Council for Social Sciences (ACSS) are announcing a Call for Applications for a two-day academic conference on Latin American-Middle East connections to be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina on May 7th and 8th, 2020.

The last years have witnessed a surge of anti-democratic or counterrevolutionary waves in both regions in the form of violence by state or non-state actors, full or ‘soft’ coups as well as the rise of right-wing movements. At the same time, both regions have a history of external interventions in the name of ‘security’ be it fighting terrorism or left-wing movements that have themselves produced insecurity to the people of both regions.

In this regard CLACSO and ACSS intend to address these realities through productions that allow their understanding and possible transformation.

We invite contributions that examine the question of interventions and the production of insecurity in light of the counterrevolutionary movements of the last decade. Contributions can be in the form of contemporary or historical comparative case studies or conceptual/theoretical pieces on different forms of interventions (political, economic, security/military) as well as those that examine different layers of securitization and insecurity.

We welcome papers that address all aspects of Latin American-Middle East connections however we will prioritize papers that address the main conference theme.


Submissions are welcome in Spanish, Arabic and English. Please submit a 400-word abstract of the paper along with your name, contact information and a brief biography. Simultaneous translation between English and Spanish will be available at the conference.
For queries and submissions in English and Arabic, please send to Jana Chamama, Senior Program Officer at ACSS: chammaa@theacss.org

For queries and submissions in Spanish, please send to clacso-acss@clacso.edu.ar

Full papers should be in the range of 3000-4500 words and a draft should be ready by the conference.

This conference is organized and sponsored by CLACSO and the ACSS. The conference is also co-organized by the Latin East initiative and the Security in Context project. Conference organizers will cover 2 coffee breaks and lunches. All other costs are the responsibility of the participants. Advice on logistics can be provided upon request.

Important dates:

Abstract submission: March 20, 2020
Decisions on Submissions/ Presenters informed: April 9, 2020
Full Paper submission: May 7, 2020
Conference on Latin American-Middle East Connections: May 7-8, 2020