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ANNUAL LATIN AMERICAN COLLOQUIUM 2022

Priorities for science diplomacy



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15 years of the Latin American Colloquium

The University of Queensland (UQ) is honoured to be celebrating 15 years of hosting the Latin American Colloquium (LAC). Since 2007, we have welcomed leaders from Latin American governments and businesses to connect with our researchers and university staff.

LAC is just one part of a strong partnership between UQ and Latin America that spans almost 40 years. UQ has had long relationships with Latin American universities, government agencies, corporate networks, and non-governmental organisations, and have welcomed many Latin American students to UQ.

We have formed important working relationships on issues of global importance, including environmental issues, food security, and sustainable energy.

The challenges of recent years, including COVID-19 and difficult economic conditions, have demonstrated that international partnerships are more important than ever in tackling these global issues.

Some of the key activities in the relationship between UQ and Latin America include the establishment of the Sustainable Minerals Institute (SMI) International Centre of Excellence (SMI-ICE-Chile), which aims to address major challenges facing Chile's mining sector, and the Global Bioeconomy Alliance, a collaboration with São Paulo State University (UNSEP) and Technical University of Munich (TUM) relating to biotechnology and its impact on future economies.

UQ's Parenting and Family Support Centre has introduced their highly successful Triple P parenting program to Latin America with Triple P Latam, Triple P International's subsidiary for Latin America. They have trained more than 300 practitioners in Triple P throughout Latin America, and deliver programs to schools, healthcare centres, and private practices.

It's not just researchers and industry who enjoy the benefits of UQ's strong relationship with Latin America. UQ offers Spanish language as a field of study for Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of International Studies or Diploma of Languages students. Spanish and Brazilian Portuguese language classes are also available online and in person to students and members of the public through the Institute of Modern Languages.

Students with an interest in diplomacy can apply for the UQ Embassy Internships program, which gives students the chance to spend four weeks in a Latin American or North American embassy in Canberra.

On campus, an active Latin American Student Association brings the region's culture, traditions and languages to university life, giving students the chance to sample everything from arepas to salsa dancing.

We look forward to continuing these connections into the future, and expanding our academic partnerships, technological innovations, and trade relations for mutual benefit to our regions.

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2022 PROGRAM

TIME	DESCRIPTION
1-1:15pm	<p>Master of Ceremonies</p> <p>Dr Carolina Gonzalez, Clinical Psychologist, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Parenting and Family Support Centre, School of Psychology, and Postdoctoral Researcher, School of Public Health, UQ</p> <p>Welcome Address</p> <p>Mr Rongyu Li, Vice-President and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Global Engagement), UQ</p> <p>His Excellency Mr Armando Vargas Araya, Ambassador of Costa Rica</p>
1:15-1:55pm	<p>Keynote speaker followed by Q&A</p> <p>Adjunct Professor Ian Kemish AM</p>
1:55-2:55pm	<p>Panel 1: Science Diplomacy: Perspectives from Australia and Latin America</p> <p>Moderator: Professor Rick Valenta, Acting Director, Sustainable Minerals Institute, UQ</p> <p>Ms Steph Gorecki Natic, General Manager, International and Astronomy, Department of Industry, Science and Resources</p> <p>Ms Alison Dell, Assistant Secretary, International Partnerships, Department of Education, Skills and Employment</p> <p>Mr Mauricio Murrillo, Deputy CEO, FIBO Group and Co-funder Andora</p>
2:55-3:40pm	<p>NETWORKING AFTERNOON TEA</p>
3:40-4:40pm	<p>Panel 2: Impactful collaboration</p> <p>Moderator: Associate Professor Pedro Fidelman, Principal Research Fellow, Centre for Policy Futures, UQ</p> <p>Dr Alex Cooke, General Manager, Missions at CSIRO</p> <p>Mr Rod Arenas, General Manager Commercial, The Food and Agribusiness Growth Centre</p> <p>Mr Nimrod Klayman, Head of Entrepreneurship, UQ</p>
4:40-5pm	<p>Closing remarks</p> <p>His Excellency Mr Ronald Recinos, Ambassador of Guatemala</p> <p>Ms Dallas Dowsett, Acting Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Global Partnerships), UQ</p>
5-6:30pm	<p>Networking Event</p>
6:30pm	<p>EVENT ENDS</p>



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