Corrupt Circles: A History of Unbound Graft in Peru

Thursday, March 19, 2009
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
5th Floor Conference Room
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Washington, D.C.

As Peru prosecutes former president Alberto Fujimori and other alleged participants in state crimes, the country’s longstanding culture of impunity is under attack. The subject of corruption has acquired a new prominence, both in Peru and in Latin America more broadly. In his new book, *Corrupt Circles: A History of Unbound Graft in Peru*, Alfonso W. Quiroz examines the history of Peruvian corruption dating back to the country’s colonial period. This panel discussion provides an opportunity to gather the Washington area's anti-corruption and Latin America specialists, to connect contemporary issues of corruption in Latin America and the world with the historical record of corruption, particularly in Peru.

**AGENDA**

4:00 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.  Welcome and Opening Remarks

*Cynthia Arnson*, Director, Latin America Program, Woodrow Wilson Center

4:10 p.m. - 5:10 p.m.  Presentations

*Alfonso Quiroz*, Baruch College, City University of New York  
*Michael Johnston*, Colgate University  
*Álvaro Vargas Llosa*, Senior Fellow, The Center on Global Prosperity, Independent Institute

5:10 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  Discussion and Conclusions

*Cynthia McClintock*, George Washington University

We hope you will join us for this important discussion. Please RSVP, acceptances only, to Nikki Nichols at nikki.nichols@wilsoncenter.org