



Dear Colleague:

The Latin American Program of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and its institutes on Mexico and Brazil invite you to a seminar on:

Energy and Oil Sector Reform in the Americas

July 7, 2009

2:00 – 5:00 PM,

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
6th floor Flom Auditorium

2:00 PM Welcoming Remarks

Paulo Sotero, Director, Brazil Institute

2:15 PM Panel 1: Brazil and Mexico

Joel Velasco, Chief U.S. Representative, União da Indústria de Cana-de-Açúcar (UNICA)

Chris Garman, Director, Eurasia Group

Duncan Wood, Professor, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM)

Moderator: *Andrew Selee*, Director, Mexico Institute

3:15 PM Discussion

3:45 PM Panel 2: Colombia and Venezuela

Roger Tissot, Consultant, Gas Energy Latin America

Ana María Sanjuán, Professor, Universidad Central de Venezuela

Moderator: *Cynthia J. Arnson*, Director, Latin American Program

4:30 PM Discussion

Please join us as we examine future challenges to the development and viability of the energy sector in Latin America, as well as strategies for state-private sector collaboration. We will be looking specifically at Mexico, Brazil, Colombia and Venezuela with the goal of analyzing how, if at all, each country's state-run company engages with the private sector in responding to a challenging environment and how the political context will shape future decision-making.

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

Sincerely,

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