



October 19, 2010

Dear Colleague:

The Latin American Program is pleased to invite you for a discussion of:

**“U.S. Neo-Conservative Thought:  
Its Influence in Latin America”**

with

**Luis Maira**

Former Ambassador of Chile to Argentina and Mexico,  
Current Woodrow Wilson Center Public Policy Scholar

**Ernesto Calvo**

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Friday, October 29, 2010

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars  
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
4th floor conference room  
*A light lunch will be served*

***This discussion will be in Spanish***

In recent years scholars and analysts have focused considerable attention on the ‘new Left’ throughout Latin America. Yet an equally important factor in the strengthening of democracy in the region has been the evolution of the Right, particularly after the market reforms implemented by many governments throughout the 1990s. How have Latin American conservative parties evolved over the last twenty years? What has been the influence of neo-conservative political thought in the United States on the evolution of the political Right in the hemisphere?

We hope you can join us for this important discussion. Please RSVP, acceptances only, by clicking [here](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Cynthia J. Arnson'.

Cynthia J. Arnson  
Director  
Latin American Program