

***POLITICAL OUTLOOK IN BRAZIL
IN THE WAKE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
AND THE GLOBAL FINANCIAL CRISIS***

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The October 2008 municipal elections in 5,563 cities across Brazil will shape the country's political scene for the succession of President Lula in October 2010. While some races have been settled in the first round, the October 26th run-offs will decide the outcomes in important capitals, most notably in the race for mayor of São Paulo and Belo Horizonte. The political scenario that will emerge from the polls and the repercussions of the global financial crises in Brazil is likely to substantially affect the country's political and economic outlook in the final two years of President Lula's administration.