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THE OLA

The **Observatory on Latin America (OLA)** of The New School creates new opportunities for multiple narratives and public debate on hemispheric processes of reform and change. The broad theme for the OLA is “Social Democracy in a Globalized World: Anticipating Futures in Latin America”.

It seeks to support and disseminate the development and articulation of new political, social, and economic models in Latin America and to facilitate their communication and dissemination in the United States and across the region.

The OLA has the unique position of not only being part of The New School, a prestigious North American progressive university, but also being located in New York, an international metropolis and site for discussion for politicians and intellectuals. This has helped to link the OLA and its activities to a wide audience and allowed for many important events to take place through its Programs.

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OBJECTIVES

- » **To improve** academic and public understanding of Latin America by observing and studying the processes of political and economic change underway in the region.
- » **To foster** a public dialogue between and within the United States and Latin America about the challenges of building social democracy in a globalized world.
- » **To collaborate** with Latin American institutions to further these objectives within countries across the hemisphere by linking and mobilizing ideas and institutions.

HISTORY

The OLA was formally launched as the Observatory on Latin America at The New School in September 2006, by the current Argentine President Cristina Fernández de Kirchner. It includes the Argentina Observatory, created in 2003.



PROGRAMS

- » **Latin America on the Move: The Post-Neoliberal Transition**
- » **Design and Development**
- » **President Néstor Kirchner Fellowship**
- » **Building Latin American Bicentennials**
- » **Space in Honor of Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo**
- » **Equity for Children (Associated Program)**

Each of these programs bring together leading intellectuals, policy-makers, NGO leaders, and other interested parties to mobilize knowledge and skills from a variety of disciplines to promote research, debate, and discussion across the region and throughout the hemisphere.

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WHO WE ARE

DIRECTORS

MICHAEL COHEN received his PhD in political economy from the University of Chicago, and worked for many years at the World Bank in urban development, sustainability, and the impact of economic policies. Dr. Cohen is the Director of the Studley Graduate Program in International Affairs (SGPIA), Milano School of International Affairs, Management, and Urban Policy, The New School for Public Engagement (NSPE), a multi-disciplinary Master's degree program focused on developing countries. The SGPIA currently has 400 graduate students from 62 countries, offers courses related to poverty and inequality, economic management, urbanization, governance, human rights, and conflict and security. The SGPIA has graduated 1,100 students who are working in development organizations around the world. Dr. Cohen has recently published a book about the recovery of Argentina from its crisis of 2001, and edited a book on the impact of the global economic crisis on Latin America.

MARGARITA GUTMAN received her PhD and a degree in architecture from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. She is Associate Professor of Urban Studies and International Affairs at NSPE, and Profesora Titular Consulta at the Facultad de Arquitectura, Diseño y Urbanismo, Universidad de Buenos Aires. At the OLA Dr. Gutman directs the Design and Development Program, the Building Latin American Bicentennials Program, and the President Néstor Kirchner Fellowship Program. She has authored and edited numerous books and articles about urban history, centennial and bicentennial commemorations, and anticipations of the urban future in Latin America. In 2011 she published *Buenos Aires: El poder de la anticipación. Imágenes itinerantes del futuro metropolitano en el primer Centenario* (Ediciones Infinito, Buenos Aires).



SENIOR FELLOW

ALBERTO MINUJÍN teaches at the Studley Graduate Program in International Affairs (SGPIA) at The Milano School in NSPE, with a special focus on social policy and children's rights. He is Director of the International Field Program (IFP) in Argentina. Until 2005, Professor Minujín was Senior Program Officer for Policy Analysis in the Division of Policy and Planning at UNICEF headquarters in New York. Professor Minujín is the author of many books and articles about child rights, social policy, and the middle class.

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PROGRAMS

LATIN AMERICA ON THE MOVE

The Latin America on the Move Program is a series of debates and encounters that take place in New York among Latin American and United States leaders and intellectuals in which they discuss the challenges and changes underway in their countries.

Each year, the OLA brings together high-level political and public leaders (press, NGOs, business, culture) to present and discuss how the region is changing its constraints and opportunities.

These conferences highlight a search for alternative approaches to improve the lives of the people in Latin America after the evident failure of neo-liberal economic policies to generate sustained economic growth and social development.



Rafael Correa, *President of Ecuador (2007- present)*

Néstor Kirchner, *President of Argentina (2003-2007)*

Ollanta Humala, *President of Perú (2011-present)*



Cristina Fernández de Kirchner, *President of Argentina (2007-present)*

Alicia Bárcena, *ECLAC Executive Secretary (2008-present)*

Tabaré Vázquez, *President of Uruguay (2005-2010)*

PRESIDENT NÉSTOR KIRCHNER FELLOWSHIP

The President Néstor Kirchner Fellowship is inspired by the legacy and achievements of former President Néstor Kirchner during his term as President of Argentina (2003-2007), coupled with his important work as the first Secretary General of UNASUR (2010). It was launched in 2011 and it has annual awards.



This Fellowship is aimed at the training of young leaders in South America with experience in the public service and academic fields. This is a joint initiative of the OLA and the Universidad Nacional de San Martín, Argentina.

The Fellowship consists of a two-week stay at The New School in New York. The Fellows present their work to academics and graduate students, meet with political and civil society leaders in New York City, and take part in various other activities, including visits to local government offices and multinational organizations, as well as tour museums, and public and university libraries.



DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

In a highly innovative institutional and geographical framework, university research teams from the Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, the University of Buenos Aires, and The New School in New York City undertake a collaborative research project in the field of design and social development.



(Un) Anticipated Futures. Symposium, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, 2012.

These teams have come together to discuss alternative ways in which to conduct multi-disciplinary, collaborative research. The group identifies footprints of the future in the present city, signs likely to indicate the direction of change such as innovative forms of practice, at different levels and scales, whether at the neighborhood or city level.

The program works in three cities: Bangkok, Buenos Aires, and New York, simultaneously, using non-traditional approaches, exploring what can be gained by working together from three different disciplines: social science, history, and design.

BUILDING LATIN AMERICAN BICENTENNIALS

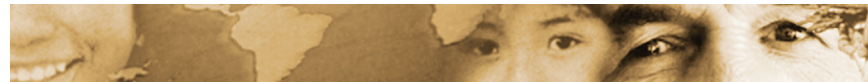
The bicentennial commemorations of the beginning of the movements that led to national independence throughout Latin America, including Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Mexico and Venezuela in 2010, Uruguay, El Salvador and Paraguay in 2011, and several other countries in the next few years, offered an excellent opportunity for comparative and multi-disciplinary action-research.

This Program studies how governments and civil society in these countries construct their bicentennial commemorations and how they have used this historical moment to address urgent issues of social inclusion and institutional reform.

Together with the Bicentennial Program of the Facultad de Arquitectura, Diseño y Urbanismo, Universidad de Buenos Aires, and research teams in Chile, Ecuador, Mexico, and Uruguay, this Program organized two International Calls for Essays and Visual Presentations and multiple meetings, workshops and publications to promote research and a debate about the Latin American bicentennials as opportunity for reflection and social development.



Still photo from Plaza de Mayo 200 años, audiovisual award winner of the International Call "Building Latin American Bicentennials in the Age of Globalization", organized by OLA / The New School; FADU/ UBA; and CEPAT/ UCEN. Authors: Alberto Boselli and Graciela Raponi.



Space in Honor of **Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo**

The OLA, along with The New School, has honored the work of the **Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo**. The University awarded honorary degrees to the Grandmothers in 2005. The OLA has organized meetings between the Abuelas and students, so that their history and the stories would be passed on to new generations.

In 1976, the Argentine Armed Forces usurped the constitutional government through a military coup and conducted a policy of terror throughout the country. "Forced disappearance" was the predominant method to exercise political repression. Among the thousands of women who were abducted, hundreds of them were pregnant and gave birth in captivity. Most of those women were killed and their babies were kidnapped by the military regime.

Thanks to their hard and tireless work, the Abuelas have recovered more than 100 grandchildren.

Associated Program: **Equity for Children**

Equityforchildren.org is an initiative of the Studley Graduate Program in International Affairs (SGPIA), that creates and disseminates knowledge to promote awareness, increased communication and action about equity for children and the realization of children's rights worldwide. It engages its major constituents: students, practitioners, governmental/ non-profit organizations, the media and other friends. Founded in 2008 by Professor Alberto Minujin, Equity for Children provides a global knowledge acquisition tool -through its international website, research, teaching and its events and symposia- on issues related to childhood poverty, rights, social and minority disparities and evaluation in the context of development.

ACTIVITIES

2003	SEP	Argentina Observatory launched at The New School, on the occasion of the visit of President Néstor Kirchner, Senator Cristina Fernández de Kirchner, and Nobel Laureate Joseph Stiglitz
2004	MAY	Public Conversation between President Néstor Kirchner and Paul Krugman on Debt, moderated by Senator Cristina Fernández de Kirchner
2005	APR	Lecture by Senator Cristina Fernández de Kirchner on Human Rights
	MAY	<i>Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo</i> received <i>The New School in Exile Award</i>
	JUN	Panel "Construir Bicentenarios: Argentina. Formas urbanas, económicas y sociales", at Facultad de Arquitectura, Diseño y Urbanismo, Universidad de Buenos Aires (FADU-UBA), Argentina
	SEP	Conference "Ethics and Debt", with Senator Cristina Fernández de Kirchner and Argentine Secretary of Culture José Nun
	NOV	Conversation with graduate students by Argentine Senators Marita Perceval and Vilma Ibarra
	DEC	Book Presentation <i>Construir Bicentenarios: Argentina</i> , edited by Margarita Gutman with comments by José Nun, Felipe Pigna, Víctor Santa María and María Seoane, at Hotel de Inmigrantes, Buenos Aires, Argentina
2006	SEP	Panel "Expectations and Experiences from Latin America", with Senator Cristina Fernández de Kirchner; David Choquehuanca, Foreign Minister of Bolivia; Herald Muñoz, former Chilean Ambassador to the UN; Marco Aurelio García, Advisor to the President of Brazil; and Bernardo Álvarez Herrera, Ambassador of Venezuela to the United States
2007	FEB 2	Lecture by Torcuato Di Tella "Political Systems of Argentina, Brazil and Chile Compared"
	APR 26	Panel "Social Democracy in a Globalized World"
	SEP 27	Conversation with the Argentine Congressman Fernando Navarro, "Youth, Drugs, and the Struggle for Social Inclusion in Metropolitan Buenos Aires"
	OCT 23	Film screening, award-winning documentary film <i>Memoria del Saqueo</i>
	NOV 6	Film screening <i>Cocalero</i> , and panel discussion
2008	FEB 27	Conversation with Verónica Giménez Beliveau, "Religion and Politics in Argentina. From Catholic Hegemony to Plurality of the Religious Field"
	APR 11	<i>Janey Program Conference with Bolivian Ambassador Gustavo Guzmán Saldaña; Estela Carlotto, President, Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo; and Héctor Timerman, then Consul-General of Argentina in New York</i>
	APR 21	International Conference "Rethinking Poverty: Making Policies that Work for Children", sponsored by the Graduate School in International Affairs at The New School and UNICEF
	SEP 10	Photographs by Peter Lucas, "Arpoador: Ephemeral Places. Sunday Evenings in Rio de Janeiro"
	SEP 22	Panel "National and International Obstacles to the Quest for Social Justice in Latin America", with Jordi Borja and Greg Grandin
	NOV 10	International Conference "Food, Energy, and Social Justice in Latin America", with Oscar Tangelson, Alberto Croce and Bernardo Kliksberg
	NOV 25	Forum with Alicia Kirchner, Minister of Social Development of Argentina, "Towards Integrated and Inclusive Development in Latin America"
	NOV 30	Announcement of the Awards of the International Call for Submissions "Building Latin American Bicentennials in the Age of Globalization", at Universidad Central de Chile, Santiago de Chile
	DEC 1	Discussion Seminar on Latin American Bicentennials with presentation of Working Papers from Argentina, Chile and Mexico, at Universidad Central de Chile, Santiago de Chile
2009	FEB 17	Panel discussion in celebration of the release of the book <i>Dignity and Defiance: Stories from Bolivia's Challenge to Globalization</i> , Jim Shultz and Melissa Crane Draper, editors
	FEB 26	International Conference "Building Latin American Bicentennials in the Age of Globalization" with winning authors of the Call
	APR 10	International Conference "The Future of US-Latin American Relations" with political leaders from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Mexico and Uruguay
	AUG 24	Conversation with Mario Coyula-Cowley, "The Many Centers of Havana"
	AUG 27	Conversation with Gerardo Caetano, "Uruguay, Its Current Situation and Its Integration to Contemporary Latin America"
	SEP 16	Conversation with Dr. Ana María Fernández, "Factories Without Bosses: an Argentinian Experience"
	SEP 20	Lecture by Dr. Tabaré Vázquez, President of Uruguay
	NOV 2	International Conference "Beyond the Economic Crisis: Assessing Impact and Defining New Norms for Economic Policy in Latin America", with José Antonio Ocampo, Nelson Barbosa, Martín Abeles, Deepak Nayyar, Juan Carlos Moreno Brid, James Adams, and Floyd Norris

2010

- FEB 19 Regional Coordination and Dialogue Meeting "Bicentennials in Action"
 FEB 23 Panel on Social Policy in Latin America with Juan Manuel Abal Medina, Secretary of Public Management of the Cabinet of Ministers, Argentina, and the Vice-Ministers of Social Development of Brazil and Mexico
 MAR 16 Bicentennial Session at the World Urban Forum 5, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
 APR 1 First Regional Workshop "Bicentennials in Action", at Centro Cultural Ricardo Rojas, Universidad de Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires
 APR 21 Second Regional Workshop "Bicentennials in Action", at Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Mexico, Mexico City
 APR 23 Lecture by Bernardo Álvarez Herrera, Ambassador of Venezuela to the U.S., "Opportunities and Challenges of U.S. - Venezuelan Foreign Policy"
 SEP 10 Conversation with graduate students by Rosa Rosinblit, Vice President of Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo
 SEP 27 Lecture by Néstor Kirchner, Secretary-General, UNASUR
 OCT 6 Lecture by Jorge Argüello, Argentine UN Ambassador on Malvinas dispute
 OCT 21 Lecture by Presidential Candidate Ollanta Humala about the future of Peru
 NOV 1 Lecture by Alicia Bárcena on 2010 ECLAC report *Time for Equality* and conference on Latin American Development at Rockefeller Estate at Pocantico, New York
 NOV 12 Conversation with graduate students by Estela Carlotto, President, Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo

2011

- MAR 10 Latin American Meeting and Announcement of Awards of the Second International Call "Bicentennials in Action", at Casa Nacional del Bicentenario, Buenos Aires
 MAR 23 Lecture by Winifred Tate "Paramilitaries and Discourses of Culpability in Colombia and Washington, DC."
 MAR 29 Lecture by Soda Stereo drummer Charly Alberti on his environmental foundation
 APR 6 Lecture by Argentine philosopher José Pablo Feinmann
 APR 20 Launch of the President Néstor Kirchner Fellowship, at Casa Patria Grande, Buenos Aires
 APR 26 Panel and Book Presentation *Buenos Aires: El poder de la anticipación*, by M. Gutman with comments by David Scobey, Saskia Sassen and William Morrish
 MAY 9 Panel discussion on tolerance and diversity in Argentina, with Ambassador Guillermo Oliveri, María Rachid, Cristina Calvo, Sumer Noufourri, and Isidoro Aizenberg
 MAY 25 International Conference "Latin American Bicentennials in Action", with winning authors of the Second Call, at UNAM, Mexico City
 AUG 10 Panel and Book Presentation *Buenos Aires: El poder de la anticipación*, by M. Gutman with comments by José Pablo Feinmann and Roberto Doherti, at Casa Nacional del Bicentenario, Buenos Aires
 AUG 19 Public announcement of the 2011-2012 PNK Fellows, with The New School President David E. Van Zandt; UNSAM Rector Carlos Ruta; Juan Manuel Abal Medina and Jorge Argüello, at Casa Patria Grande, Buenos Aires
 SEP 23 Lecture by Rafael Correa, President of Ecuador, on Yasuni-ITT environmental project
 NOV 10 Lecture by Guillermo Germán Cabrera, Provost, FADU-UBA, on Design and Development
 NOV 16 Public Lecture by 2011-2012 PNK Fellow Lucila Rosso, presented by David E. Van Zandt

2012

- FEB 16 Symposium "Unanticipated Futures: Design and Development", at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand
 FEB 17 Launch of 2012-2013 PNK Fellowships, at Buenos Aires
 MAR 7 Public lectures by 2011-2012 PNK Fellows Erika Sánchez Paredes and Mauricio Santoro Rocha presented by David Scobey
 APR 12 Book presentation *Argentina's Economic Growth and Recovery: The Economy in a Time of Default* by Michael Cohen with comments by David E. Van Zandt, William Milberg and David Plotke
 APR 19 Film screening *La Vida Loca*, and panel discussion
 APR 25 Lecture "Innovative Strategies to Transform Low Income Neighborhoods in Latin America: The Experience of Barrio 31 in Buenos Aires", by Javier Fernández Castro and Ariel Misuraca, FADU-UBA
 MAY 3 Lecture by María Teresa Ronderos "Guins & Butter - Paramilitarism; the Colombia Armed Conflict: Why has it gone on for so long?"
 MAY 31 Publication of OLA book *The Global Economic Crisis in Latin America: Impact and Response*, edited by Michael Cohen
 JUN 9 Book presentation *Construir Bicentenarios Latinoamericanos en la Era de la Globalización*, edited by Margarita Gutman and Rita Molinos, with comments by Jaime Sorín, Adriana Clemente, Alberto Croce and Ileana Versace, at Casa Nacional del Bicentenario, Buenos Aires
 AUG 16 Public announcement of the 2012-2013 PNK Fellows, with The New School President David E. Van Zandt; UNSAM Rector Carlos Ruta; Juan Manuel Abal Medina and Jorge Argüello, at Casa Patria Grande, Buenos Aires
 SEP 1 Design and Development Program presentations at the World Urban Forum 6, Naples, Italy
 SEP 27 Lecture by Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of UN ECLAC, on report *Structural Change for Equality*
 NOV 14 Public Lecture by 2012-2013 PNK Fellow Cecilia María Minaverri, presented by David E. Van Zandt

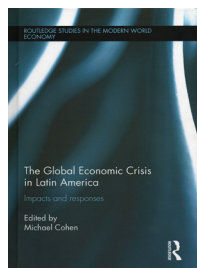
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PUBLICATIONS

THE GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISIS IN LATIN AMERICA: IMPACTS AND RESPONSES

Michael Cohen (ed.) – (London and New York: Routledge Publishers, 2012)

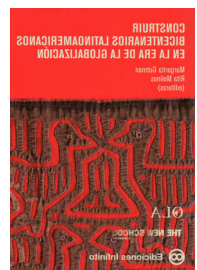


This book is an examination of the heterogeneous Latin American region through the lens of three countries: Argentina, Brazil, and Mexico. With chapter contributions by leading thinkers from Latin America, the book asks the questions: Why were these three countries more resilient to the crisis than the United States and the countries of Western Europe? What explains the difference in performance among Argentina, Brazil and

Mexico? What was the role of the State before, during and after the crisis? What role did stimulus packages play? How were people on the ground, the street vendors and the waste pickers, affected by the crisis?

CONSTRUIR BICENTENARIOS LATINOAMERICANOS EN LA ERA DE LA GLOBALIZACIÓN

Margarita Gutman and Rita Molinos (ed.) – (Buenos Aires: Ediciones Infinito, 2012)



The objectives, preparations, and activities commemorating the Latin American bicentennial of independence in its continental dimension, are examined in this book. A diversity of voices from nine countries presents the rich spectrum of proposals and expectations made at different scales. This book contributes to the regional and collective construction of knowledge on how Latin American countries address the challenge of the bicentennials. Bicentennials are historically significant

moments to rethink the past, to critically review the present, and to stimulate the imagination of a future of inclusion and justice.



ARGENTINA'S ECONOMIC GROWTH AND RECOVERY: THE ECONOMY IN A TIME OF DEFAULT

Michael Cohen - (London and New York: Routledge Publishers, 2011)



This book examines the causes of the economic and political crisis in Argentina in 2001 and the process of strong economic recovery. It poses the question of how a country that defaulted on its external loans and was widely criticized by international observers could have succeeded in its growth and development despite this decision in 2002. It examines this process in terms of the impact of neo-liberal policies on the economy and the role of development strategy and the State in recovering from the crisis.

BUENOS AIRES. EL PODER DE LA ANTICIPACIÓN. IMÁGENES ITINERANTES DEL FUTURO METROPOLITANO EN EL PRIMER CENTENARIO

Margarita Gutman - (Buenos Aires: Ediciones Infinito, 2011)



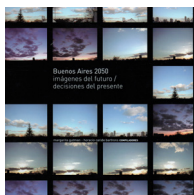
The imagination of the urban future in Buenos Aires is comprehensively examined in this book. It brings together diverse images and narratives from professional urban disciplines and popular cultural expressions about the world to come. This volume contains 185 selected visual images selected from 7,150 local and foreign journals, professional and specialized mass media, which were circulating in Buenos Aires between 1900 and 1920. According to Manuel Castells:

“This is a very original book on an unusual subject, allowing us to understand the relationship between the discourse about the city and the construction of the city from a historical perspective”.



BUENOS AIRES 2050 - IMÁGENES DEL FUTURO/ DECISIONES DEL PRESENTE

Margarita Gutman and Horacio Caride Bartrons (ed.) – (Buenos Aires, Facultad de Arquitectura, Diseño y Urbanismo Universidad de Buenos Aires, Instituto Internacional de Medio Ambiente y Desarrollo, IIED-América Latina, and OLA/The New School, 2008)

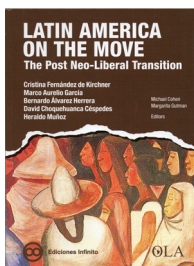


Buenos Aires 2050 invites people to discuss collectively and inclusively a desirable future for the metropolis in which we live. It seeks to extend options for development and to orient present decisions. This book presents the results of the first five years of the Buenos Aires 2050 Program and contains 14 proposals and 8 comments of participants who are neighbors, students

and professionals who live in Buenos Aires.

LATIN AMERICA ON THE MOVE

Michael Cohen and Margarita Gutman (ed.) - (New York and Buenos Aires: The New School, 2007)



By the time this book was published, newly elected governments in nine countries had rejected the past failed solutions to the problems of poverty, inequality, exclusion, and social justice. Political leaders began to seek new approaches to replace the neo-liberal policies of the Washington Consensus. This book presents views about the direction of change of five Latin American political leaders. Each essay places the immediate and long-term challenges facing their

countries in historical context.

CONSTRUIR BICENTENARIOS: ARGENTINA

Margarita Gutman (ed.) – (Buenos Aires and New York: Caras y Caretas and The New School, 2005)



This is a book of multiple voices. Its 32 authors discuss the meaning, challenges and options, memories and expectations that the Bicentennial presents. They are voices of historians, architects, philosophers, scientists, professors, public dignitaries, social workers, politicians and young people. They cover current problems, diverse aspects of the memory of the past, and project that memory onto the bicentennial horizon. The 23 Argentine authors, two Latin American, three European, one Indian, and three American, cross their internal views with those from the outside, offering a texture of difference and not of homogeneity.

SOCIAL PROTECTION INITIATIVES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Alberto Minujín and Enrique Delamonica (ed.) – (New York: The New School, <http://www.equityforchildren.org/social-protection-initiatives-for-women-and-families-29/index.html>, 2007)



This book presents selected papers from the Fifth International Equity for Children/ UNICEF Conference. It offers in-depth and unique conceptual as well as empirical evidence about how social protection programs, and cash transfers in particular affect the well-being of children and women. The book is a contribution to this rapidly expanding debate in the development literature. It is intended to provide ideas and experience for policy makers to make further progress in the struggle to achieve respect, protection and fulfillment of children's and women's rights.



BUENOS AIRES 1910: MEMORIA DEL PORVENIR

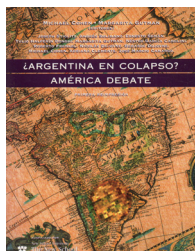
Margarita Gutman (ed.) – (Buenos Aires: City Government of Buenos Aires; Facultad de Arquitectura, Diseño y Urbanismo, Universidad de Buenos Aires; Instituto Internacional de Medio Ambiente y Desarrollo, IIED-América Latina, 1999)



A digital version of this out of print book is available online at the OLA website. The book, a bilingual catalogue (English and Spanish), contains a visual story based on 260 images and objects from 40 public and private archives. These images are highlighted by the texts of 40 historians, architects, academics, officials and politicians. They show fragments of the daily life of our ancestors and the way they prepared themselves to live a future of unlimited progress. That future is our present. That anticipated city is where we live today. It's time to build the future of memory.

ARGENTINA IN COLLAPSE? THE AMERICAS DEBATE

Michael Cohen and Margarita Gutman (ed.) - (New York and Buenos Aires: The New School and IIED-AL, 2002)



The economic and political collapse of Argentina in 2001 is examined in this book from an interdisciplinary and transcontinental perspective. It includes essays by historians, economists, sociologists, journalists, and architects from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, and the United States, including among others, Joseph Stiglitz, Tulio Halperín Donghi, Néstor García Canclini, Roberto Frenkel, José Marcio Camargo, and Andrés Solimano. The case of Argentina is significant for the countries of Latin America and the world, in order to learn its lessons for building a more sustainable future.

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- » Centro de Estudios del Patrimonio, Universidad Central, Chile
- » Fundación SES, Argentina
- » Facultad de Ciencias Sociales, Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina
- » Facultad de Ciencias Sociales de América Latina (FLACSO), Ecuador
- » Organización Latinoamericana y del Caribe de Centros Históricos (OLACCHI), Ecuador
- » Universidad de la República, Uruguay
- » Facultad de Arquitectura y Urbanismo, Universidad Nacional de Tucumán, Argentina
- » Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis, The New School, United States
- » Universidad Nacional de San Martín, Argentina
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- » Equity for Children, Latin America
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