FIRST CONFERENCE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM IN THE AMERICAS
Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas
Universidad de Monterrey
Sala Polivalente del Centro Roberto Garza Sada
Monterrey, México - 10-11 November 2022

PROGRAM DAY 1
Thursday, 10 November

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 - 9:20 a.m. Welcoming remarks
Moderator: Rafael Ibarra, Universidad de Monterrey (UDEM)
Speakers: Arturo Azuara Flores, UDEM
Juan Fernando Potes González, UDEM
Viviana Fernandez, Human Rights Research and Education Centre (HRREC), University of Ottawa
Robert Quinn, Scholars at Risk (SAR)

9:20-10:00 a.m. Academic Freedom: Current legal and political challenges in the Americas
Moderator: Catalina Arango Patiño, Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas (CAFA)
Speakers: Jesse Levine, SAR
Salvador Herencia-Carrasco, HRREC

10:00-10:30 a.m. Coffee break

10:30-11:45 a.m. Launch of the Free to Think 2022 Report
Moderator: Viviana Fernandez, HRREC
Speakers: Clare Robinson, SAR
Magdalena Bas Vilizzio, UDEM
Joel Mark Barredo, Strengthening Human Rights and Peace Research and Education in ASEAN/Southeast Asia

11:50-1:00 p.m. Academic freedom in Mexico
Moderator: Rafael Ibarra, UDEM
Speakers: Emilio Álvarez Icaza Longoria, Member of the Federal Senate of Mexico
Ximena Medellín, Center for Research and Teaching in Economics CIDE (via Zoom)
Céline González, CIDE (via Zoom)
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.  Lunch

2:30 - 3:50 p.m.  Gender violence and academic freedom  
Moderator: Adriana Melissa Avila Loera, UDEM  
Speakers: Liliana Ronconi, Universidad de Buenos Aires- Argentina  
Lavinia Francesconi, Université Aix-en-Marseille- France  
Camila Nobrega, Freie Universität Berlin- Germany  
Amanda Mendonça, Universidad del Estado de Rio de Janeiro- Brazil

3:50 - 4:30 p.m.  Coffee break

4:20-5:40 p.m.  Academic freedom in United States and Brazil  
Moderator: Jesse Levine, SAR  
Speakers: Pâmella Passos, Universidad Federal do Rio de Janeiro- Brazil  
Amna Khalid, Carleton College- United States  
Jeffrey Aaron Snyder, Carleton College- United States

5:40 p.m.  Closing remarks- Day 1  
Rafael Ibarra, UDEM
**PROGRAM DAY 2**

**Friday, 11 November**

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.  
Registration

9:00 - 10:20 a.m.  
**Academic freedom in Nicaragua and Venezuela**  
**Moderator:** Catalina Arango, CAFA  
**Speakers:**  
David Gómez Gamboa, Aula Abierta - Venezuela  
Nelson José Rivas, Universidad de Los Andes- Venezuela (via Zoom)  
Estela Rivero, Central American Research Alliance  
Elthon Rivera Cruz, Iniciativa Puentes por los Estudiantes de Nicaragua (via Zoom)

10:20 - 11:30 a.m.  
**Implementing the Inter-American Principles on Academic Freedom**  
**Moderator:** Jorge A. Sánchez Cordero, SAR Board  
**Speakers:**  
Pedro Vaca, Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (via Zoom)  
Jesse Levine, SAR  
Salvador Herencia-Carrasco, HRREC

11:30 - 12:00 p.m.  
Coffee break

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.  
**Workshop Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas: Engagement and participation**  
**Facilitators:** Catalina Arango, CAFA  
Phoebe Alpern, SAR  
Viviana Fernandez, HRREC
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.  Lunch

2:30 - 4:40 p.m.  Censorship and legislative interference in university spaces  
Moderator: Jesse Levine, SAR  
Speakers: Rosario Figari, University of Giessen- Germany  
Danielle Pamplona, Pontificia Universidade Católica do Paraná- Brazil  
Eve Darian-Smith, University of California, Irvine- United States

4:40 - 5:10 p.m.  Coffee break

5:10 - 6:30 p.m.  Report on the working group on implementing academic freedom in the UN system  
Moderator: Salvador Herencia-Carrasco, HRREC  
Speakers: Robert Quinn, SAR  
Cesare Romano, Loyola Law School- United States (via Zoom)  
Jo-Marie Burt, LASA

6:30 p.m.  Closing remarks of the Conference  
Speakers: Viviana Fernandez, HRREC  
Robert Quinn, SAR  
Thomas Buntru, UDEM

NOTES:
All times are local  
Registration is mandatory in the following link: https://www.udem.edu.mx/en/institutional/cafa-i-regional-congress-academic-freedom  
Participation is open to the public. The conference will also be broadcasted via Zoom.  
English and Spanish interpretation will be available throughout the event