

Editorial

We ended 2019 with yet another edition of the Brazilian Journal of Latin American Studies, a partnership between IELA and the Research Group Organization & Praxis Libertadora, from UFRGS. Our intention is to offer critical readings about the reality of Latin America, encouraging critical thinking.

We opened this edition with the text by Alessandro da Silva, "Law on the periphery of the world: notes on the functioning of the legal instance in dependent capitalism", in which it presents some of the determinations that make it possible to understand the functioning of the legal instance in peripheral countries. Then, Professor Mirella Rocha, brings the article "Criticism of an announced death: contributions from TMD to the analysis of the national-democratic and popular democratic strategy", a reflection that seeks to bring contributions from the Marxist Theory of Dependence (TMD) and especially from Ruy Mauro Marini, to the critique of the National-Democratic Strategy, with a view to retaking the dialectic of dependent capitalist development to think of Brazil in the contemporary scenario, the con-traditions of the Democratic and Popular Strategy and the Brazilian Revolution. João Gabriel de Almeida, in the text "New conservative citizenships: the phenomenon that elected Bolsonaro in Brazil", analyzes the causes of this process from the category of populism, singling out the protagonism of the youth who claimed their space in Brazilian democracy from a conservative perspective.

In the article "2002: the year that the Venezuelan workers 'and popular movement showed the world how history itself is made", Wanderson Oliveira Coelho sheds light on a rich period in the history of the Venezuelan popular and workers' movement between the years 2001 and 2003. In this period, there were three bloody coup attempts against the Chávez government, one of them with direct support from the United States. However, they were all defeated by the mass struggle. Then, Tatiana Fonseca Oliveira brings the text "Brazil at the drain of the structural crisis of capital", making a brief discussion about how the reduction of social policies is viscerally linked to the very process of uncontrollability and irreformability of the capital system. Diego Martins Dória Paulo discusses "Social cohesion in capitalism

between Europe and Latin America (1992-2018)", presenting an interpretation of the influence of capitalism on the social sciences. In this particular case, it talks about the relationship between the mode of production and the concept of "social cohesion".

Felipe Saluti Cardoso presents the article "The World Bank and the emergence of go-vernance as an urban practice: from the restructuring of capital to institutional adjustment", seeking the ideo-political and institutional genesis, within the framework of the World Bank, of governance and its socio-historical roots as a project incorporated by the agency's borrowing countries, especially the peripheral ones. Then, Vinícius Azevedo brings a "Brief history of the origin of Trotskyist parties in Latin America" seeking to investigate Trotsky's influence in Latin America with regard to the formation of associations, movements and political parties.

In this edition we bring two reviews: One, by Roger Lucas Correa Martins, "Cartography of resistances to extraction in Latin America and the Caribbean", in which he presents the recent research concluded by the International Relations and Global South Group (GRISUL) at the University Federal Government of the State of Rio de Janeiro (UNIRIO) on the socio-environmental impacts of the extractive development model that is hegemonically placed in the Latin American region. Then Marcos Antonio da Silva and Gabriel Dourado Rocha bring the text "Between crises, conflicts and redefinitions: the relationship between the USA and Latin America in 'United States against the world: trump and the new geopolitics'", book organized by Cassandra Castorena Sánchez, Marco A. Guadásegui (hijo) and Leandro A. Morgenfeld.

The image essay is by the photo reporter Rosane Talayer Lima, "Women in fight", which records the struggle of women in street demonstrations in the cities of Flori-anópolis and Brasília, claiming rights, protesting and pointing the way.

Good reading!

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