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Néstor Scibona



Carlos Fara

EVENTS

CADAL thanks the speakers who participated in any of the 26 events organized in 2017: Jaime Malamud Goti, Carlos Rosenkrantz, Nelson Fernández, Jorge Olivera, Daniel Sabsay, Liliana De Riz, Inti Rodríguez, Alberto D'Alotto, Juan Antonio Blanco, Martín Farrell, Marlene Azor Hernández, Juan Pablo Cardenal, Sybil Rhodes, Gabriel Salvia, David Kinsella, Silvia Mercado, Néstor Scibona, Patricio Navia, Tamara Taraciuk, Pablo Mieres, Pablo Iturralde, Marthadela Tamayo, The Honorable Carmen Podgorean, Claudio Avruj, Alejandro Oropeza, Pamela Malewicz, Lía Rueda, Leandro Querido, Fernando Lorenzo, Jorge Edwards, Ana María Shua, Alberto Manguel, Adolfo Garcé, Ignacio Munyo, Haroldo Dilla Alfonso, Pablo Stefanoni, Pedro von Eyken, Marcos Novaro, Ricardo López Göttig, Fernando J. Ruiz, Olaf Jacob, Pablo De Vita, Gabriel Palumbo, Tomás Várnagy, Agustín Menéndez, Milan Frola, Hugo Grimaldi, Carlos Fara and Margarita Stolbizer.



Liliana De Riz



Hugo Grimaldi



RECOGNITION OF THE CIVIC AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITMENT OF MARGARITA STOLBIZER

At CADAL, we consider cooperation between political actors and civil society to be fundamental in order to strengthen representative democracy, dialogue, and encourage the free exchange of ideas.

CADAL AWARDED JORGE EDWARDS WITH A SPECIAL PRIZE FOR COMMITTED DIPLOMACY IN CUBA

Bernabé García Hamilton, Secretary of CADAL, presented the plaque to Edwards at the closure of the 2017 edition of the Conference on the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Totalitarianism. The conference took place at the Palace of San Martín, headquarters of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Argentine Republic. The author of *Persona Non Grata* is an emblematic figure and pioneer in the history of committed diplomacy in Cuba.



INTERNATIONAL PRESENCE

II India Think Tank Forum

Sybil Rhodes, Vice President and Director of the Academic Council of CADAL, participated in the second edition of the India Think Tank Forum from June 19 to 21, 2017 in New Delhi. The theme of the meeting was "The Potential and Power of National, Regional and Global Partnerships" and it was organized by the Observer Research Foundation, the Think Tanks and Civil Societies Program, and the McKinsey Global Institute.

International Forum for Democracy Studies

The Associate Researcher of CADAL, Juan Pablo Cardenal, participated as speaker in Washington to deliver the presentation of his publication "Sharp Power: Rising Authoritarian Influence."



Participation in the 47th OAS (Organization of American States) General Assembly

The Director General of the Center for the Opening and Development of Latin America (CADAL), Gabriel Salvia, and the Cuban democratic activist, Manuel Cuesta Morúa, represented the institution in Cancun, Mexico.



Manuel Cuesta Morúa pictured with Laura Chinchilla, former president of Costa Rica, in the General Assembly of the OAS

PUBLICATIONS

In 2017, CADAL published 11 publications and were highlighted in 45 press mentions.



The Center for the Opening and Development of Latin America (CADAL) sincerely thanks all of those who helped realize the successful work done in 2017. In particular, to individuals, companies, and to the international foundations who contributed a total of 380 thousand dollars to the implementation of our activities of analysis, research, dissemination, training, advocacy, and international democratic solidarity.



PRESTIGIOUS JOURNALIST VISITS FROM PARAGUAY

Adhering to the framework of an agreement with the Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ), CADAL received journalist Cándido Figueredo Ruíz from May 31 to June 30, 2017. He is a correspondent of the newspaper ABC Color in the town of Pedro Juan Caballero, which is located on the border of Paraguay and Brazil. He has been forced to live with constant police protection during the last two decades due to his informative and disclosive coverage of criminals. For his investigative work on criminal activities, he won the International Press Freedom Prize awarded by CPJ in 2015. On June 2, 2012, the American newspaper The New York Times published his profile under the title "Exposing Drug Secrets, From a Well-Guarded Bunker." During his time in Buenos Aires, he was declared Guest of Honor of the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires by the Buenos Aires legislature.



Candido Figueredo and legislator of Buenos Aires city Carolina Estebarena

INTERNATIONAL INTERN PROGRAM



"I want to thank CADAL for welcoming me for 4 months and offering me the first professional experience I've had in a very stimulating multicultural environment. CADAL was an excellent concrete way to observe an operation of an NGO. I was lucky to attend events such as conferences and seminars, which were always informative and relevant, but above all, it allowed me to meet the actors committed to the defense of human rights, each with their own inspiring careers."

Justine Vieira (France)

"My internship at CADAL gave me a great preview of how an NGO works and I got a better understanding of the processes that they carry out such as their events, their publications, and their research. Not only did I learn that from CADAL, but also I learned about other countries and how they respect (or do not respect) human rights. Living in Buenos Aires, I got to know the city and its history better, it really was an enriching experience"

Luisa Habbel (Germany)