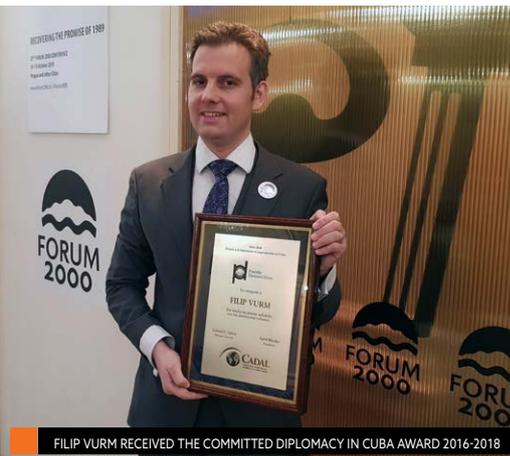


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LAST MEETING OF THE YEAR OF THE EXTENDED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



FILIP VURM RECEIVED THE COMMITTED DIPLOMACY IN CUBA AWARD 2016-2018



CONFERENCE ON THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR VICTIMS OF TOTALITARIANISM



"HUMAN RIGHTS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS" SEMINAR



MUSIC FREEDOM DAY MURAL



CONFERENCE ON "REAL OR FICTITIOUS CHANGE IN CUBA?"

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In 2019, the presidential elections in Argentina and Uruguay coincided, and their analysis was the main theme of the Latin Forums cycle of events, which included meetings in both countries with the participation of political consultant Carlos Fara, academician Adolfo Garcé and journalists Nelson Fernández, Hugo Grimaldi and Fernando Laborda as speakers.



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BUENOS AIRES LATIN AMERICAN FORUM.

From **Music Freedom Day**, to the "Human Rights in International Relations" seminar, to the conference on "International Day of Remembrance of Victims of Totalitarianism", the "Good bye Lenin" Program, and the conference on "Challenges to Democracy in Latin America", 2019 was a year of outstanding events organized by CADAL.

From March 13 to 15, CADAL hosted the regional meeting of the **Democratic Solidarity** project of the Czech NGO Forum 2000, which gathered former presidents, foreign ministers, academics, politicians and activists. And on October 14, CADAL gave Filip Vurm, in Prague, the Committed Diplomacy in Cuba Award 2016-2018.



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CADAL thanks the exhibitors and moderators that participated in the 32 events organized during 2019. Most of these were held in Buenos Aires, but there were also events in Montevideo and Punta del Este (Uruguay), Bogota and Medellin (Colombia), São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), Santiago and Valparaíso (Chile), Lima (Peru) and Prague (Czech Republic).



In 2019 CADAL also edited **twelve publications**, among others, two books, four documents, two reports and four issues of **Diálogo Latino Cubano**; and produced twenty-six interviews for its renewed website **Análisis Latino**.

What is more, CADAL's site on political, economic and social current events in Latin America incorporated in 2019 audiovisual interview productions, which totaled twenty-six and included those made to José Miguel Vivanco, Americas Division Director at Human Rights Watch; Aníbal Pérez-Liñán, political scientist and professor at the University of Notre Dame; Eduardo Ulibarri, journalist and diplomat from Costa Rica; Adolfo Garcé, political analyst from Uruguay; Vanessa Siliezar, human rights activist in Honduras; Alejandro Anaya



Muñoz, internationalist and professor at ITESO in Mexico; Juan Pablo Caicedo, Colombian artist; Rafaela Requensens, political activist from Venezuela; and Miguel Coyula, Cuban filmmaker.

In 2019, the work of the **Observatory of International Relations and Human Rights** was strengthened, especially for the Latin American region, with the collaborations of the young research assistants Lorenzo Agüero, Victoria Ariagno, Alejandro Di Franco and Dolores Barón, who analyzed cases in Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Haiti, Nicaragua, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela.



Three new members of the **Academic Council** also joined: Magdalena López (Venezuela), and Sabrina Ajmechet and Cecilia Noce (Argentina). Also, by the end of the year CADAL incorporated **associate researchers**, experts in regions and countries: Ignacio Labaqui (Latin America), Omer Freixa (Africa), Fernando Pedrosa (Asia) and Agustín Méndez (North Korea). There was also the return of historian Ricardo López Göttig, now as Director of the **Václav Havel Institute** from CADAL.



During this period there were thirty-five outstanding mentions in the press, among others, editorials, quotes in newspaper articles and interviews to members of CADAL and guests who participated in the activities.



Marzo de 2019 es un mes de suma carga política para el Tibet. En vista o contravista a la intensidad de cualquier bloqueo al acceso al Tibet desde el 30 de enero hasta el 1 de abril, las autoridades extrajeras en la Región Autónoma del Tibet desde el 30 de febrero. Esta Administración pública, funcionarios públicos y del servicio militar y del servicio de postales en el Tibet.



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Rafaela Requesens

Activista y Licenciada en Ciencias Políticas



MUSIC FREEDOM DAY AT "EL EMERGENTE"

CADAL formalized in 2019 an agreement with the Danish NGO **Freemuse** for monitoring, documenting, denouncing and following-up on violations of artistic freedom in Latin America; and renewed with the **Bertelsmann Stiftung**, of Germany, the agreement to translate into Spanish and publish the 2020 Transformation Index.

Five young students have completed their job as **International Interns** in 2019: Virginie Hontabat (France), Jeanne Foucaud (France), Sofia Barrell (United States), Kim Radestock (Germany) and Mäeliss Bodenar (France).



HERNÁN ALBERRO AT THINK TANK MEETING IN BOGOTÁ

In 2019, several members of CADAL participated in important regional and international events, such as the **Annual Conference of Latin American Studies Association (LASA)**, in Boston; the **49th General Assembly of the Organization of American States** in Medellín; the **7th Latin American Think Tank Meeting**, in Bogotá; the **23rd Forum 2000**, in Prague, and the **Global Think Tank Summit 2019**, in Rio de Janeiro.

In December 2019 CADAL moved its head office to Retiro neighborhood, in the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, very close to the previous headquarters location, in Catalinas district, where it worked for nine years.

Finally, the Center for the Opening and Development of Latin America (CADAL) thanks those who made possible its work during 2019, contributing to the implementation of activities of analysis, research, dissemination, training, political advocacy and international democratic solidarity aimed at the defense and promotion of human rights.



SALVIA AND RHODES AT THE ANNUAL LASA CONFERENCE IN BOSTON

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The Center for the Opening and Development of Latin America (CADAL) is a private, non-profit, non-partisan foundation, established on February 26, 2003 and registered with the General Inspectorate of Justice in the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic.

After the economic and institutional crisis of the Argentina at the end of 2001 and the setbacks that were evident in the democratic institutionality in the region, CADAL emerged to occupy its place

in Latin America with the mission to defend and strengthening democracy as a pillar of progress economic and social, and give priority in foreign policy to international promotion of human rights.

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