

ATTACKS ON GENDER ACROSS LATIN AMERICA RESONATE IN OTHER CONTEXTS (INCLUDING THE US)

A series of case studies on anti-gender politics in Latin America will be reviewed and analyzed by researchers and activists from the US, Europe, Latin America, South Asia, and Sub-Saharan Africa

Sexuality Policy Watch, a research and action program based at the AIDS Interdisciplinary Association in Brazil has, since 2017, developed a new line of investigation to map and analyze anti-gender offensives in nine Latin American countries - Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, and Uruguay – but also at the OAS arenas. The [outcomes](#), published in Spanish in early 2020, show how anti-gender and anti-abortion formations everywhere are both religious and secular, and pertain to a wider ecology of the political right. Case study summaries have been translated into English summaries, which will be launched on Friday, January 29, in the webinar **All Eyes on Latin America: Anti-Gender Politics Through Transnational Lenses** (with simultaneous interpretation to Spanish and Portuguese).

An overview of the case studies will be presented by Colombian professor Fernando Serrano and examined through the lenses of researchers and activists from other contexts, as follows: Gillian Kane (U.S.), David Paternotte (Europe), Geeta Misra (South Asia), and Sibongile Ndashe (Sub-Saharan Africa).

While focusing on Latin America, the debate is also relevant for U.S. audiences as the studies have mapped and analyzed both long standing and current transnational connections between anti-gender and anti-abortion forces at work on the regional level, many which directly link with U.S. based actors and organizations. While much has already been said about the political links between Trump's and Bolsonaro's policy agendas, the research outcomes show that these connections are much wider and historically deeper.

What? Webinar All Eyes on Latin America: Anti-Gender Politics Through Transnational Lenses

When? January 29, 2021, at 9 am EST

How? Register on bit.ly/SPWwebinar

Why? Publication of Anti-Gender Politics in Latin America: Country Case Studies Summaries

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Commentators

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Fernando Serrano is Assistant Professor in the Department of Languages and Cultures of the University of the Andes, Colombia. He is currently researching gender, sexuality pedagogies, and policies of reconciliation in armed conflicts in Australia, South Africa, and Colombia.

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