

INVITATION

Dear Colleague,

On November 14, 2008, the Americas Program of the Center for Strategic and International Studies will host a conference on the topic:

"Controlling Corruption in Local Government in Latin America"

This half-day event will examine efforts in place in the region to fight corruption in local government and to identify resources from multilateral and bilateral cooperation that can be focused on improving the quality of local government.

Friday, November 14, 2008, 9:00am - 2:00pm

B1 Conference Center

Center for Strategic and International Studies

1800 K Street NW, Washington, DC, 20006

8:30 - 9:00am - Registration

9:00 -10:15am - Panel 1: "Efforts to improve municipal control of corruption: Three case studies"

Martín Sabbatella, Intendente of Morón, Buenos Aires Province, Argentina

Alejandro Char, Mayor of Barranquilla, Department of Atlántico, Colombia

José Pérez Hernández, Mayor of Torreón, State of Coahuila, Mexico

10:30 -12:00pm - Panel 2: "Developing Synergy between Civil Society and Local Governments"

Beatriz Boza, Executive Director of Ciudadanos al Día, Peru

Mercedes de Freitas, Executive Director of Transparency International
Venezuela

Felipe González, Director of the Center for the Study of International
Governance, IPADE Business School, Mexico

12:15-2:00pm - Luncheon and Panel 3: "Multilateral Institutions and Bilateral Cooperation"

Paloma Baena, Public Governance Specialist, Institutional Capacity of State
Division, Inter-American Development Bank

Viviana Barberena Nisimblat, Advisor for Participatory and Transparent
Democracy in Colombia, German Society for Technical Cooperation (GTZ)

Camilla Helgø Fossberg, First Secretary, Royal Norwegian Embassy in
Managua, Nicaragua

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