



Human Rights Tribunals in Latin America: The Fujimori Trial in Comparative Perspective

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8:30 – 9:00

Registration, Coffee and Continental Breakfast

9:00 – 9:15

Welcoming remarks by Jo-Marie Burt, George Mason University
and John Walsh, WOLA

9:15 – 10:45

Prosecuting a President: The Trial of Alberto Fujimori

Moderator

Cynthia McClintock, George Washington University

Speakers

Ronald Gamarra, Executive Secretary, Coordinadora Nacional de
Derechos Humanos, and lawyer representing the victims at the
Fujimori trial

Gustavo Gorriti, award-winning journalist and author of *Shining
Path: A History of the Millenarian War in Peru*

Jo-Marie Burt, George Mason University, author of *Political Violence
and the Authoritarian State in Peru: Silencing Civil Society*

10:45-11:00

Coffee break

11:00-12:30

Civil Society Efforts to End Impunity: The Peruvian Case

Moderator

Cynthia Arnson, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

Speakers

Francisco Soberón, Founding Director, Asociación Pro Derechos
Humanos

Gisela Ortiz, spokesperson of the family members of the victims of
the La Cantuta massacre

Viviana Krsticevic, Executive Director, Center for Justice and Inter-
national Law (CEJIL)

Peter Kornbluh, National Security Archive, author of *The Pinochet
File: A Declassified Dossier on Atrocity and Accountability*

12:30-1:30

Lunch

1:30-3:00

Human Rights Trials in Latin America

Moderator

Michael Shifter, Inter-American Dialogue

Speakers

Gastón Chillier, Executive Director, Centro de Estudios Legales y
Sociales (CELS), Argentina

Naomi Roht-Arriaza, University of California Hastings College of
the Law, author of *The Pinochet Effect: Transnational Justice in the Age
of Human Rights*

Cath Collins, Universidad Diego Portales, Chile, author of the
forthcoming *Post-Transitional Justice: Legal Strategies and Human
Rights Trials in Chile and El Salvador*

Ariela Peralta, Deputy Director, Center for Justice and International
Law (CEJIL)

3:00-3:15

Coffee break

3:15-5:00

Implications for U.S. Policy, Global Justice, and Democracy

Moderator

Joy Olson, Washington Office on Latin America

Speakers

Juan Méndez, President, International Center for Transitional Justice,
former UN special adviser on the prevention of genocide

Ricardo Gil Lavedra, University of Buenos Aires Law School, former
member of the Supreme Court, and member of the tribunal that
prosecuted the military junta in 1985

Ernesto de la Jara, Founding Director, Instituto de Defensa Legal,
Director, Consorcio Justicia Viva

Eric Schwartz, Executive Director, Connect U.S. Fund, former Spe-
cial Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Multilateral
and Humanitarian Affairs at the National Security Council

5:30-7:00

Reception at WOLA

1666 Connecticut Avenue NW Suite 400, Washington DC

Coletta Youngers (Senior Fellow, WOLA) will prepare a rapporteur's report
based on the conference proceedings, which will be published in English and
Spanish.

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