

**REDIAL Conference 2019
October 23 and 24, 2019
Universidad del Rosario
Bogotá, Colombia**

CALL FOR PAPERS

The REDIAL project (Rethinking the Education of International Law in Latin America) seeks to bring together scholars interested in reflecting and debating about the concerns, challenges, difficulties and contributions of legal education in Latin America and its own characteristics of conceiving, teaching and using international law. From REDIAL we consider that the lecture that is usually made of international law, by traditionally presenting it as neutral and progressive, generally fails to introduce relevant discussions for the region. This way, some of the questions guiding this project are, how and what is currently being taught of international law in Latin America? Are there any shared Latin-American elements? Are there any elements that make us different? What aspects can we rethink to modify the way that international law is being taught in this region?



As a result, it's worth paying attention to the gaps and omissions of discourses, to raise awareness about that particular reading, study its advantages and disadvantages, as well as questioning about the requirement or possibility of transforming it. That's how it becomes imperative to dialogue and discuss the experiences of different countries regarding the education of international law, with the aim of achieving to identify common traits and challenges, as well as possible departures for the transformation of education on international law, in favor of a more comprehensive, integrated and pluralist vision. This conference is an invitation to advance in this regard.

Some of the specific objectives of the conference are:

1. Socialize and share the teaching and learning experience of international law in the different countries of Latin America;
2. Identify the principal common traits of education in international law in the region (i.e. bibliographic references, the contents of the classes, the language, the competences and objectives of classes and methodologies, among others);
3. Identify the major gaps of knowledge that permeate the study programs of international law in the region;
4. Establish the main variations that can be found in terms of the teaching of international law in the different countries;
5. Recognize innovative experiences in the teaching of international law with the aim of drawing lessons from them in order to replicate in the other countries belonging to the project;
6. Point out and propose appropriate tools and methodologies in order to have a heterodox, inclusive and critical education in international law ;
7. Expand and consolidate an epistemic and academic network which concerns about the education in international law .

Some of the topics for discussion on which the conference will focus could be:

1. Tools and methodologies for the teaching of international law in Latin American and Global South perspective;
2. Contents and topics for the Latin American international law education renewal;
3. Critical perspectives and teaching of international law in Latin America;
4. Historical and comparative perspectives about the teaching of international law in the region;
5. Critical analysis about the evaluation system of scholars in the region, institutional rankings and used indicators;
6. Appropriateness of a local and regional perspective in the study of international law.

The conference will be organized in closed and open sessions. Only the invited participants and the accepted speakers will attend to the first ones, wherein they will work roughly between the main questions about the project, following the methodology proposed by the organizers. The open sessions will be offered to the general public and on them the accepted papers will be presented.

Persons interested in presenting their works can send the abstract of their paper, which should not exceed 750 words, to the email proyectorredial@gmail.com. Proposals will be



admitted in English, Spanish and Portuguese. The proposals will be evaluated and selected by the academic committee of the event, composed by the steering committee of REDIAL Project.

The conference does not cover travel expenses, lodging or food expenses of the accepted panelists.

Work calendar:

August 10, 2019: Deadline to submit proposals.

August 15, 2019: Publication of the list of accepted persons.

October 23 and 24, 2019: Conference.

