The Emerging Middle Class in Latin America: Causes, Challenges and Opportunities

Friday 31st October 2014

NISSAN LECTURE THEATRE ST ANTONY'S COLLEGE

PROGRAM

9:00-9:30 Welcome panel

- Andrew Hamilton (University of Oxford)
- Enrique García (CAF-Development Bank of Latin America)
- Margaret MacMillan (St Antony's College)

9:30-10:45 Opening plenary. The Emerging Middle Class in Latin America

Chair: Timothy Power (University of Oxford)

Guillermo Perry (University of the Andes)

10:45-12:30 The emerging middle class: How many? Why?

Chair: Guillermo Fernández de Soto (CAF-Development Bank of Latin America)

- Michael Penfold (CAF-Development Bank of Latin America) The growing (but vulnerable) middle class in Latin America
- Luis Felipe López-Calva (World Bank) Mobility, vulnerability, and middle classes in Latin America
- Maria Hermínia Tavares de Almeida (CEBRAP) The experience of Brazil in comparative perspective

12:30-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:15 The impact of the middle class

Chair: Horst Grebe (CAF-Development Bank of Latin America)

- Carol Graham (Brookings Institution) Happiness, protests and the emerging middle class from a comparative perspective
- Pablo Sanguinetti (CAF-Development Bank of Latin America) The middle class and insecurity in Latin America
- Diego Sánchez-Ancochea (University of Oxford) Middle class-based elite: the Costa Rican experience

15:15-15:45 Coffee break

15:45-17:30 How sustainable is the growth of the new middle class?

Chair: Leigh Payne (University of Oxford)

- Ludolfo Paramio (CESIC) Political consequences of the new middle class
- Christian Daude (OECD) Education and the future of social mobility
- Leonardo Garnier (University of Costa Rica) Education reforms for the consolidation of the middle class

17:30-18:00 Closing plenary

Chair: Enrique García (CAF-Development Bank of Latin America)

Miguel Castilla (Former Minister of Finance, Peru)

18:00-18:15 Closing remarks

- Leigh Payne (University of Oxford)
- Enrique García (CAF-Development Bank of Latin America)





