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## HYBRID BOOK WORKSHOP

# "Authoritarian Consolidation in Times of Crisis: Venezuela under Nicolás Maduro"

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18-19 May 2023

### Provisional program

#### Thursday, 18 May 2023

**12:00-13:00 (6:00-7:00 EST)**

##### **Introduction**

*Chairs:* John Polga-Hecimovich, *U.S. Naval Academy*, and Raúl Sánchez Urribarrí, *La Trobe University*

12:00-12:15	Welcome and Introduction to the Workshop	John Polga-Hecimovich, <i>U.S. Naval Academy</i> Raul Sanchez-Urribarrí, <i>La Trobe University</i>
12:15-13:00	Authoritarian Consolidation in Times of Crisis: The General Framework	John Polga-Hecimovich, <i>U.S. Naval Academy</i> Raul Sanchez-Urribarrí, <i>La Trobe University</i>

**16:00-17:45 (10:00-11:45 EST)**

##### **Panel 1: Dimensions of Authoritarianism**

*Chair:* Francisco Sánchez, *University of Salamanca*

16:00-16:20	Conceptualizing Authoritarian Consolidation	Guillermo Tell Aveledo, <i>Universidad Metropolitana</i>
16:20-16:40	Authoritarian Capitalism	Benedicte Bull, <i>University of Oslo</i> , and Antulio Rosales, <i>University of New Brunswick</i>
16:40-17:00	Politicization and Autocratization of the Public Administration	Héctor Briceño, <i>Universität Rostock</i>
17:00-17:45	Discussion	

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**Panel 2: International Considerations**

*Chair: Leiv Marsteintredet, University of Bergen*

18:00-18:20	Venezuela's Authoritarian Partnerships under Madurismo	Adriana Boersner, University of South Carolina, Aiken
18:20-18:40	Authoritarian Foreign Policy as Geostrategic Imperative in Maduro's Venezuela	Víctor Mijares, Universidad de los Andes
18:40-19:00	U.S. Policy and Diaspora Politics	María Puerta Riera, Valencia College
19:00-19:45	Discussion	

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**Panel 3: Power by Any Means**

*Chair: Leiv Marsteintredet, University of Bergen*

10:00-10:20	Coup Proofing	John Polga-Hecimovich, U.S. Naval Academy
10:20-10:40	Electoral Manipulation	Juan Berríos Ortigoza, <i>Universidad Católica Andrés Bello</i> , Pablo Biderbost, <i>Universidad Pontificia Comillas</i> , and Guillermo Boscán Carrasquero, <i>Universidad de Salamanca</i>
10:40-11:30	Discussion	

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**Panel 4: Escape Valves**

*Chair: Manuel Alcántara, University of Salamanca*

12:00-12:20	Circular Talks: Political Dialogue, Foreign Facilitation and Authoritarian Learning in Venezuela	Miguel Ángel Martínez Meucci
12:20-12:40	Discouraging Change: How Opponents Stimulated Maduro's Autocratization	Maryhen Jiménez, <i>Oxford University</i> , Stefania Vitale, Juan Manuel Trak
12:40-13:00	The Consolidation of the (un)Rule of Law in Venezuela	Victoria Capriles, <i>Universidad Metropolitana</i> , and Raúl Sánchez Urribarí, <i>La Trobe University</i>
13:00-13:45	Discussion	

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**Panel 5: Mechanisms of Control**

*Chair: Leiv Marsteintredet, University of Bergen*

16:00-16:20	From Exporting Oil to Exporting People: The Evolution of Venezuelan Emigration Under Nicolás Maduro	Charles Larratt-Smith, <i>Tecnológico de Monterrey, Querétaro</i> , and Daniel León, <i>University of Leipzig</i>
16:20-16:40	Internet and Media Manipulation	Iria Puyosa, <i>The Atlantic Council</i>
16:40-17:00	Maduro's Police State	Verónica Zubillaga, <i>Universidad Simón Bolívar</i>
17:00-17:45	Discussion	

**18:00**

**Final Discussion, Conclusion, and Publication Timeline**

Chairs: John Polga-Hecimovich and Raúl Sánchez Urribarí