Dear {{FirstName or "WOLA Supporter"}},

This week, WOLA’s President, Carolina Jiménez Sandoval, writes about how the human rights and humanitarian crises in Venezuela impact migration dynamics at the U.S.-Mexico border, as part of a new collaboration with Divergentes, a digital outlet covering news from Latin America.

If you want to learn more about what is happening in Venezuela, be sure to sign up for the event we are hosting alongside representatives from civil society on the prospects for a peaceful, just, and democratic solution to the country’s crisis.

Finally, check-out the latest figures and analysis on migration at the U.S. southern border in our weekly update.

All that, and much more, in today’s WOLA Weekly.

Best,

Maureen Meyer
Vice President for Programs, WOLA

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

⚠ Current migration dynamics call for new regional approaches. Beyond the investment that would have to be made to strengthen the asylum system in the United States, the Biden administration needs to stop promoting policies based on containment and discouraging migration. Read the Op-ed here.

ICYMI. In the first of a two-part interview, WOLA experts reflect on the latest trends in migration to the United States, the consequences of the U.S. focus on reducing the number of migrants and asylum seekers arriving at the border over the rebuild of the asylum system and other limitations of U.S. migration policies.

In the second part, experts reflect on the need for a regional approach to migration in the Americas, the effectiveness of government policies to date and the challenges ahead.

READ THE LATEST BORDER UPDATE
UPCOMING EVENTS

The Americas Today: In Search of a New Agenda
Discuss and present analysis of the current political situation in Latin America and the region’s relationship with the rest of the world.

Part 1: Rethinking Latin American Regionalism
Opening remarks: Carolina Jiménez Sandoval, WOLA President
Speakers: Mónica Hirst, UTDT and UERJ
Juan Tokatlian, UTDT
Discussant: Katya Salazar, Executive Director, DPLF

Part 2: Strategic Agenda for the Americas
Speakers: Guadalupe González, El Colegio de México
Juan Cruz Olmeda, El Colegio de México
Discussants: Stephanie Burgos, Senior Strategist, Oxfam
Andrew Selee, President, MPI

Monday, November 14
10-12:30 PM EST

Event will be in English

ALSO THIS WEEK

WOLA is pleased to invite you to a hybrid event to discuss the prospects for a peaceful, just, and democratic solution to the crisis in Venezuela, featuring leading civil society voices.

Thursday, November 17, 2022
3:30 p.m. ET

RSVP
Venezuelans are fleeing a complex humanitarian emergency and a human rights crisis [...] Venezuelans need international protection. Unfortunately, policies implemented by the governments of the United States and Mexico put the lives of Venezuelan migrants and asylum seekers at risk."

Al Jazeera "What lies ahead for displaced Venezuelans in Mexico? | The Stream"

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Despite his campaign promises, Mexico’s President Andrés Manuel López Obrador has deepened militarization within and beyond the realm of public security.

Learn about the impact and challenges of this harmful approach in this talk.

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The Spring 2023 Internship is now open for applications! It will be hybrid, meaning all interns are expect to come into the office at least half of the time they work. WOLA will follow all public health guidance and revert back to full remote if needed at any time. Interns that would like to be considered for a virtual internship should specifically request so in their cover letters. Application Deadline: November 30, 2022. We will look at resumes on a rolling basis. Click here to learn more.

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