The Academic Network for Latin America and the Caribbean call for papers for the

Fifth International Seminar “Latin America and the Caribbean and China: conditions and challenges in the 21st century”

May 25, 26 and 27, 2020
National Autonomous University of Mexico, Ciudad Universitaria, Mexico

1. Background
The People’s Republic of China (China, in what follows) has increased its presence in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) from several perspectives, expressed in increasing academic, political, trade and investment relationships, as well as in terms of business and culture. While this “new encounter” has apparently began in the economic sphere since the end of the 20th century, it is true that several centuries of exchange cannot be left aside in the already mentioned spheres of analysis. Currently the LAC-China dialogue presents an increasing richness in bilateral and multilateral policies, as well as regarding raw materials and the environment, or the analysis of culture, history and learning Chinese.

It is in this context that the Academic Network of Latin America and the Caribbean on China (Red ALC-China), invites to the Fifth International Seminar “Latin America and the Caribbean and China: conditions and challenges in the 21st century” at the School of Economics of the National Autonomous University of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) in Mexico City, on May 25, 26 and 27, 2020.

The call for papers is particularly addressed towards academics, representatives of academic international institutions, business, NGOs, public officials, graduate students and the general interested public.

Red ALC-China emphasizes the importance of a detailed and concrete dialogue in each of the thematic topics and a common and heterogeneous learning process; the knowledge of the respective publications and initiatives, within Red ALC-China and of other authors and institutions, are relevant for the discussion.
2. **Goal**

The Fifth International Seminar continues with the dialogue and learning process between countries and sectors on the LAC-China relationship based on the existing academic results that allows for future research and urges to make explicit references to the results of Red ALC-China and of other authors and institutions in the public, private and academic sectors.

3. **Thematic Topics**

The Fifth International Seminar is structured in four thematic subjects:

1. *Economy, trade and investments*
2. *International politics and relations*
3. *Raw materials and environment*
4. *History, culture and learning Chinese*

4. **Requirements to submit proposals**

   a) To be a member of Red ALC-China.
   
   b) To submit a summary of the proposed presentation *either in Spanish or in English*, according to the guidelines that you can find at: [http://www.redalc-china.org/v21/es-es/?option=com_content&view=article&id=70](http://www.redalc-china.org/v21/es-es/?option=com_content&view=article&id=70).

   c) Proposals have to be submitted in Word with max. 4,000 characters including spaces, in Times New Roman 12, with 1.5 spaces. The summary has to include the following structure: title, name, institutional affiliation, email, thematic topic, topics to be analyzed, hypothesis, goals and results and/or conclusions. It is important to conform to the suggested guidelines, otherwise proposals will not be considered.

Languages of the International Fifth Seminar will be Spanish and English, without translation.

5. **Deadlines**

Send your proposals to: redchina@unam.mx *before January 20th, 2020.*