Call for Applications
Workshop: The perils of policymaking in Latin America
29 April 2020 at the Hertie School, Berlin, Germany

This workshop aims to discuss the benefits, both in theory and in practice, of policy designs in Latin America, and how the region's political context, institutional capacities or the instruments their governments have contributed to (or limited) 'policy attainment' from happening.

Traditionally, scholars and practitioners have paid attention to policy design, namely the set of arrangements, instruments and steps to address a complex policy problem (Jann & Wegrich, 2007; Howlett et.al. 2015). In practice, in most cases, despite governments' 'good designs' policy results have been flawed and even counterproductive (Stone 2017). While some have blamed instrument adequacy and fine-tuning, others consider Latin American weak state capacities and political polarisation as responsible (Avritzer 2017; Ikenberry 2018).

The Hertie School aims to provide an interdisciplinary platform for both scholars and practitioners to share and discuss research, policy designs and ‘best practices’ in an encouraging and comfortable environment. We welcome the submission of different theoretical, methodological, scholarly and policy-oriented documents. We especially encourage DAAD scholarship holders and members of the Hertie School alumni and friends network to apply!

How to apply
Abstracts of papers focusing on, but not limited to, the following topics are welcome:

A. Policy designs and implementation
   · ‘Successful policy designs’ or policy instruments
   · Politics of implementation
   · Experiments and ‘policy labs’
   · Wicked problems and critical/de-colonial approaches to policy-making

B. Practical policy experiences
   · ‘Best practices’
   · Detailed testimonies
   · Policy evaluations

Please submit an abstract of max. 300 words with a paper/presentation title, the type of submission (paper or practical policy experience), your name, and contact data of all authors by 1 February 2020 to the following email: d.salazar@phd.hertie-school.org

DAAD scholars, alumni and graduates should indicate their Personal Reference Number in submission e-mail.

Key dates
• 1 February 2020: Application deadline (notification of acceptance by mid-February)
• 5 April 2020: Deadline for final paper drafts/policy presentations submission

Contact
Questions and submissions should be directed to Diego A. Salazar Morales via e-mail: d.salazar@phd.hertie-school.org. This workshop is organised by Diego A. Salazar Morales and Professor Mark Hallerberg.
Funding
There is no registration fee. A light lunch, coffee and snacks will be provided.

References


