

ARMED GANG VIOLENCE: AT THE CROSSROAD BETWEEN ARMED CONFLICT AND LAW ENFORCEMENT?

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In recent years, Latin America has witnessed an increase in the rate of violence and the forced displacement of thousands of people due to insecurity and confrontations between state forces and armed gangs or between these gangs themselves.

This IHL Talk will address the political, sociological and legal dimensions of the issue of armed gang violence in Latin America, notably in Colombia, Mexico and El Salvador, countries that are severely scourged by the expansion of the phenomena of urban gangs, gang violence and organized crime.

MODERATOR

- **Jamil Chade**, Correspondent for O Estado de São Paulo and Columnist

PANELISTS

- **Gloria Gaggioli**, Assistant Professor and Grant Holder of Excellence at the University of Geneva
- **Cecilia Jimenez-Damary**, Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons
- **Oliver Jütersonke**, Head of Research at the Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

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