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Introduction

The book that the reader has in hand, the fruit of an interdisciplinary seminar held in Berlin in December 2004 which brought together scholars from Germany and different regions of the Americas, is guided by a dual perspective and objective, a fact reflected by the authors and themes that it brings together. It is on one hand, a view from outside Brazil that seeks to understand how Brazilian society is responding to the processes of global integration. At the same time, there is also an internal perspective of observation that documents the plurality of ways that social actors and analysts interpret the transformations underway. The common thread of the various perspectives of analysis involved, which, therefore, unifies the different articles joined here, is not their focus on Brazil, but more properly the interest in the relations between Brazil and the world, based on the context of the Americas. It can be said that it is not a book about Brazil, but of a set of reflections, oriented by the case of a specific country, about the way that local, regional and global processes and contexts have been intertwining in various fields.

In the political realm, the deep crises generated by the corruption scandal in the government of the Workers Party in 2005 triggered ambivalent reactions and sentiments among the analysts. Whatever the lesson that one can learn from it, the Brazilian crises has important consequences, to the degree to which it marks the expectations placed in the Latin American left, at a time in which governments have been elected in various countries on the sub-continent, which, like the Workers Party in Brazil, earned their principal electoral conquests from the defense of social justice and a solid base among the poorest sectors.

The new forms of insertion of Latin America and Brazil, in particular in the "post-national" world, are treated in historical perspective in the article by *Jorge Larraín*, revealing the connections between the history of (subordinated) integration of the countries of the region to modernity, the neoliberal cycle of the 1990's and the alternatives presented to these policies.