



IV Seminar on Democracy and Good Governance for Young Leaders of the Americas

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The Center for Democracy and Good Governance, as a way to strengthen the linkages between the State of Florida and future generations of political leaders in the Americas, identified and brought a group of ten political leaders from throughout Latin America to Miami and Tallahassee.

Profile of the participants:

- Participants included elected members of the national legislative bodies of Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador, El Salvador, and Nicaragua. Other participants included the youngest elected Mayor of Paraguay and civil society leaders from Chile and Mexico.

During the first 2 days in Miami, the participants:

- Participated in presentations on issues of American politics and political thought; public policy in the US, economic trade, politics in Miami-Dade County and the State of Florida.
- Presented the current state of affairs regarding democracy and good governance in their home countries. These presentations were held publicly at Florida International University and livestreamed via the internet.
- Met with Miami-Dade County Commissioners and several County officials.
- Visited the Port of Miami, the County Transportation Trust (Metromover), the County Commission, and the County's Office of Economic and International Trade.

During the next 3 days in Tallahassee:

- Received an overview of the political and legislative process in the State of Florida.
- Met and exchanged views with several State Representatives and State Senators.
- Exchanged views and opinions about US policy in regards to their particular countries with several elected officials.