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Inter/Intracontinental Change in Latin American Relations

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Synopsis:

A wave of recent electoral contests in Latin and Central American has drawn significant attention to what many pundits forecasted as a putative, unified shift to the political left. Results, however, have so far proven quite mixed—the contested outcome in Mexico, notably. While still more elections are to take place before year's end, an apparent cleavage already now defines the political landscape of the continent. Venezuela, flush with petrodollars, will no doubt bankroll much of the mounting challenge, which in turn may help unify a patchwork of moderate and conservative governments. What might this cleavage mean for future relations with U.S., and even energy-hungry China and India?

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Speaker Bio:

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