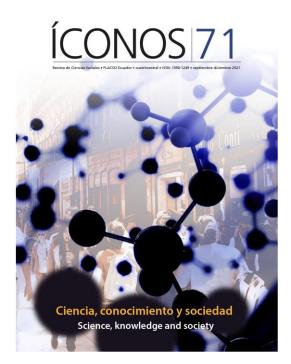




## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

## SCIENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND SOCIETY



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The present dossier attempts to examine and reflect on the role played by Latin American, -and more specifically: Andean societies-; in the development, transmission and absorption of scientific, technological and disciplinary knowledge. The most recent debates on the issue, both within the humanities and in the social sciences, have progressively left behind the usual stereotypes that

perceive these cultures as hopelessly mired in backwardness, and playing – at best- a peripheral part in the global intellectual scene. However, the traditional view that places the North Atlantic as the overwhelmingly dominant location of scientific production and practice is still commonly prevalent. The rest of the planet- Latin America included- is seen as a mere passive receptor within the global networks of knowledge production and spread. This passive reception – in turn-, is reflected in the lack of a much needed critical appraisal of the situated contexts where the different disciplinary fields which attempt to understand Latin American societies, are produced and articulated.

This is why we hope to gather a group of researchers interested in showing the active, creative and leading role played by Andean and Latin American institutions, societies and organizations in producing currently recognized knowledge in the region. Also, the dossier aims at highlighting the complexities encountered in building and consolidating those disciplinary fields generally accepted as relevant to the adequate understanding of Latin American societies.

Notwithstanding local and global asymmetrical power relations, our goal is to bring together research and opinions able to question, -both theoretically and methodologically-; the current construction, dissemination and assimilation of knowledge, regardless of pre-existing hierarchical relationships with the originating centers. We would rather investigate the outcome of more horizontal exchanges, dialogues and shifts. We wish to focus on the influence exerted by knowledge -oriented nodes and networks of interaction. The location of these shifts and dialogues will allow us to reveal how it was that Latin America "produced" science and technology, and also, the ways in which this learning was formulated and institutionalized throughout the region.

Contributions in different fields in the humanities and in the social sciences are expected. Of special interest are articles which engage in historical or current affairs issues and which involve debates on/or examination of the scope of the interactions, linkages and exchanges which allowed Latin American societies, regions or countries to build their capacities to participate in local, regional, continental and global cognitive networks. This issue particularly welcomes research which can illuminate how this participation helped Latin America to contribute in the production, dissemination and adaptation of disciplinary, scientific and technological knowledge.

Some of the suggested subject matters and sub-topics are the following:

- Studies about science, technology and society. These should problematize the production and dissemination of scientific and technological knowledge and its political, social, cultural or economic impact in Latin America.
- Contemporary or historical studies about science and technology, that show the diverse uses, meanings and reformulations that scientific and technological discoveries have experienced in the Latin American context.
- Reflections about the theoretical and methodological problems that the social sciences and humanities confront when attempting to think of the Latin American societies, regions and/or countries as knowledge production and dissemination centers.
- Debates posing questions about the make-up of the current disciplinary fields, the social and political context that pervades the process of constitution of such disciplines and the ways in which these frameworks have conditioned the establishment and institutionalization of certain specific Latin American "branches of knowledge".

Article submissions are accepted in Spanish, English, and Portuguese, though the selected articles will be published in Spanish. The journal will clarify any doubts and provide feedback on proposals until the submission deadline.

The articles must comply with the editorial policy and publication standards of the journal (available at www.revistaiconos.ec). A peer review system is used for the selection of articles.

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