

We, as scholars at the GIGA Institute for Latin American Studies (ILAS), write to express our solidarity with the faculty and students at the Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económica (CIDE), as they defend their right to dissent and to be heard in the decision-making processes of the institution, with their demands for academic freedom and the right to collegial governance. CIDE, as a publicly-funded research center, has a global reputation as one of the best research and education institutions in Social Sciences in Latin America. Indeed, many of us at the GIGA have had the opportunity to engage in crucial scholarly exchanges with colleagues at the CIDE, and are concerned about the recent attacks on the CIDE's central mission of excellence in science and education.

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