

The journal "**Traectorias Humanas Transcontinentales**" (TraHs) of the International Network Latin America, Africa, Caribbean Europe "Territories, Vulnerable Populations, Public Policies" of the University of Limoges (France) summons to participate as author for your special issue of 2018 on the subject :

***Buen Vivir*: balance and experiences in the ten years of the Constitution of Ecuador**

On September 28, 2008, the Constitution of the Republic of Ecuador was ratified. It represents a milestone in Latin American constitutionalism and, among other innovations, confers rights to nature and establishes the regime of ***Buen Vivir*** (in Kichwa: *sumak kawsay*, in Aymara: *suma qmaña*, in Guaraní: *ñandareko*). The relations of good coexistence between human beings and nonhumans guaranteed in this Constitution served as inspiration for the legal culture in other countries of Latin America. The Bolivian constitution, for example, which came into force in 2009, also provides guarantees of respect for relations of nature and culture, also bringing local identity elements. In addition, other Latin American countries have gradually been inspired by the new constitutionalism and decolonial thinking strengthened in 2008.

The understanding of ***Buen Vivir***, brought in the Ecuadorian Constitution, does not exclude the specific understandings of the means of *Buen Vivir* to each community or ethnicity. Similarly, the understandings of ***Buen Vivir*** is not limited to studies from a legal perspective, but are equally present in the social, anthropological, historical, artistic, economic, among others. Certainly, after ten years of the Constitution of the Republic of Ecuador, there have been changes, constructions and deconstructions in Latin American thought regarding the rights to nature and to nature / culture relations. It is important to emphasize that in each country or region, these understandings present their nuances.

This special issue of the journal aims to analyze the different ways of understanding the good life and respect for the rights to nature in the various Latin American countries. The articles can deal with topics such as:

- The theoretical relations between modernity / coloniality and postcolonial criticism;
- Bibliographical review on topics related to *Nuestra America*;
- Challenges of decolonial changes;
- ***Buen Vivir*** as an alternative for development;
- The emergence of a Plurinational State;
- The Impacts of the 2008 Constitution drafted in Montecristi. Ecuador in *Nuestra America*;
- Regime del *Buen Vivir* and Interculturality;
- The theoretical-practical differences between community living and individual well-being in global capitalist society;

- Analysis of the relationship between the “Buen Vivir regime” and the "development regime";
- Knowledge Management as a common good, public and open to all present in the proposals of Buen Vivir and its outcomes in the present;
- The construction of popular power;
- Plural subjects and their voices in the universe of Diversity;
- Plurinational Identity: for example, the cultural codes of the peoples and the indigenous, Afro-Ecuadorian and Montubian nationalities;
- The interconnection between economic, environmental, cultural, educational aspects in the construction of good citizenship;
- Social and territorial equity;
- Sovereignty and integration in *Nuestra America* in the local and global dimensions;
- The multiple understandings of good living present in Latin America;
- The evolution of Latin American constitutionalism from the constitution of Montecristi; among others.

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