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Dear Readers,

In this final newsletter of 2024, we share a summary of the work carried out by the EU-LAC Foundation during the closing months of the year. In addition to organising bi-regional events, such as the Feminist Foreign Policy Forum held in October in Barcelona, we have continued a series of exchanges and consultations with our membership, strategic partners, and other actors involved in EU-LAC relations as part of the organisation's planning process.

These meetings have enabled us to identify shared priorities and interests, particularly in view of the upcoming EU-CELAC Summit in 2025. Furthermore, we have observed that, in an international context marked by conflicts and sudden political changes, reaffirming the mutual relevance of ties between the European Union, Latin America, and the Caribbean is essential. Likewise, it is crucial for both regions to continue strategically positioning themselves as a strong and effective alliance on the global stage.

In 2025, the EU-LAC Foundation will work to contribute to strengthening EU-CELAC political dialogue by monitoring the Summit process, enhancing institutional engagement, and systematising and promoting bi-regional agreements, commitments, and programmes. We will also continue to foster bi-regional cooperation by addressing thematic areas such as trade, investment, and fair economies; social contracts, the rule of law, democracy, and human rights; climate change, environment, and financing; security and illicit economies; gender equality; among others.

We thank you for your continued support and interest in our activities throughout 2024 and invite you to join us in 2025 to further strengthen the ties between the European Union, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

Season's greetings and our best wishes for the New Year!



Alberto Brunori,
Executive Director EU-LAC Foundation

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE EU-LAC FOUNDATION MET IN WARSAW



This ordinary meeting of the Board of Governors was the first following the appointment of José Antonio García Belaúnde as President of the organisation and Alberto Brunori as Executive Director. In his first address to the Board, Belaúnde stated that, during meetings held with the membership and various stakeholders, it became clear that the European Union, Latin America, and the Caribbean are committed to strengthening the EU-LAC Foundation as a useful tool, demonstrating their shared commitment to multilateralism.

For his part, Executive Director Alberto Brunori provided an update on the strategies and internal guidelines implemented during the initial months of the new leadership's term and on the status of the ratification of the Constitutive Agreement.

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EU-LAC Updates

Cultural Policies and the Role of Artistic Diasporas Debated at the Próximamente Festival

Artists, cultural professionals, and members of civil society shared their migratory experiences and discussed the challenges and opportunities associated with integration into their host societies during an event organised by the EU-LAC Foundation as part of the "Próximamente Festival."

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EU-LAC Foundation Strengthens Strategic Alliances in Spain

The EU-LAC Foundation authorities undertook a working mission to Spain to engage in discussions with partner and collaborating entities of the organisation, as part of the multi-annual strategic planning process for the period 2025–2028.

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EU-LAC Feminist Foreign Policy Forum took place in Barcelona

The EU-LAC Bi-regional Feminist Foreign Policy Forum took place in Barcelona the 1st and 2nd of October 2024, bringing together government authorities, civil society representatives, international organisations and experts from the European Union and Latin America and the Caribbean.

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EU-LAC BLOG: “Latin America on a new geopolitical chessboard...”

By Pamela Aróstica, PhD in Political Science. Senior Researcher CEAPI – UNTREF.

“Latin America is at a turning point. Faced with a new multipolar and more competitive global scenario, the countries of the region must re-evaluate their foreign policies, adapt to new power dynamics and reconsider their strategic alliances, elements that will define their positioning in the coming decades. This article analyses the implications for Latin America with respect to China’s growing influence, the historical relationship with the European Union and the United States, projecting possible scenarios for the region’s future”.

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Calls and oportunities

Applications open for internships at the EU-LAC Foundation

Gain work experience in an international organisation!

From 9 December to 26 January, you can apply for an internship at the EU-LAC Foundation from April to June 2025

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From our social media



What issues should be a priority for EU-LAC relations in the coming year? We have been discussing these issues over the last few months with representatives of our membership and key partners. Our President, José Antonio García Belaúnde, summarises these meetings **in this video**.





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