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The [fall schedule of events](#) is now available. Please save the dates!

Introducing Mauricio Celestino Rivera, incoming CIS Alker Fellow

Mauricio Celestino Rivera is the incoming CIS Hayward R. Alker Postdoctoral Fellow for 2013-14. Mauricio was born in Mexico. He finished his PhD at the Government Department at the University of Essex, UK this past year. His main areas of study are Comparative politics, International relations, and Latin American politics. More specifically, his research focuses on issues related to political regimes and regime change,
protest and collective action, repression and human rights violations, and the rule of law. He often uses mixed-method research designs in my research. His work has appeared or will appear at the *Journal of Peace Research, Política & Gobierno*. Other articles are under review in other peer-reviewed journals. *Welcome to CIS Mauricio, we look forward to working with you!*

**Andrew Radin (2012-13 CIS Alker Fellow) accepts Belfer Center Fellowship at Harvard**

CIS is pleased to announce that Andrew Radin, the Hayward R. Alker Postdoctoral Fellow from this past academic year, has accepted a postdoctoral fellowship at Harvard University! His fellowship is with the Belfer Center International Security Program at the Kennedy School of Government. Andrew received his PhD at MIT in 2012, and his research focuses on democratization and state building in post-conflict societies. He is especially interested in how apparently benevolent ideas go awry when confronted with the realities of the domestic politics of post-conflict societies. Click [here](#) for more information about Andrew's current book project and research. 

*Thank you for a great year Andrew, you will be missed!*

**CIS Faculty Research Grants - call for proposals**

Click [here](#) for submission information and proposal guidelines. Any questions, please email Marisela Schaffer, [schaffer@usc.edu](mailto:schaffer@usc.edu).

**Review of Peter Berton's book appears in *American Historical Review***

A review of Peter Berton's recent book, *Russo-Japanese Relations, 1905-1917: From Enemies to Allies appeared in the American Historical Review*. Click [here](#) for full text of the review article. Professor Berton thanks the CIS community for providing support and funding for this project.

**Jefferey Sellers new co-authored volume on metropolitan governance comes out this fall**

Jefferey Sellers’ project on comparative metropolitan political behavior has just come out this summer with a major new volume at *ECPR Press* and *Columbia University Press*. The book is entitled *The Political Ecology of the Metropolis: Metropolitan Sources of Electoral Behaviour in Eleven Countries*, and is co-authored with Daniel Kübler, Alan Walks, and Melanie Walter-Rogg. CIS hosted a workshop for this project in 2008.