

The peer-reviewed journal *Colombia Internacional* is looking for articles for a special edition about the relationship between armed conflicts and legal and illegal natural resources, to be published in summer of 2008. Particular attention will be given to the interaction between diverse political, social and economic factors, both on the national and the international level. We are looking for original manuscripts that explore as well as transcend the current debates about the following topics:

- Forms and consequences of the predation of legal and illegal resources by illegal actors;
- The impact of the processes of predation on the political, social and economic relations in the affected zones;
- The relationship between resource extraction, armed conflicts and the arms trade;
- How global production and distribution chains of certain natural resources contribute to armed conflict;
- The foreign policy of industrialized countries vis-à-vis essential natural resources and its relationship with armed conflicts;
- Development policy and armed conflicts: how much does it help to contain violence?;
- Regional integration, borders and armed conflicts;
- Multinational companies, private armies, guerillas and governance;
- Resource extraction, state-formation and armed conflicts;
- Decentralization, fiscal policy and armed conflicts.

Occasionally, we will consider documents in English or Portuguese for publication, either in their original language or translated into Spanish. Manuscripts, including a short abstract, need to be submitted by December 20, 2007 by email attachment (in Word or .rtf format) to:

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