

# SCHOLAR IN THE SPOTLIGHT



## JAIME DAREMBLUM

JAIME DAREMBLUM is a Hudson Senior Fellow and Director of Hudson's Center for Latin American Studies. Daremblum's wide-ranging scholarship focuses on the politics, economics, and international relations of the region. "Jaime has been significantly ahead of the curve on developments in Central and South America and the ties between those regions and the U.S., China, Russia, and the Middle East," Hudson CEO Kenneth Weinstein says.

Daremblum regularly hosts conferences and seminars that explore Latin American affairs. Most recently, he has convened events on radical populism, China's growing influence on Latin America, the election in Bolivia, Mexican politics, and the threat to the region from Iran.

Daremblum's articles and op-eds have appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Washington Post*, the *Weekly Standard*, the *New York Sun*, the *Miami Herald*, *Diario Las Americas* (Florida), *El Universal* (Caracas), *La Nación* (Costa Rica), and other outlets. From March 1983 to April 1998, Daremblum was a columnist and editorial writer for the *La Nación*. He continues to contribute regularly to the paper.

In May, Hudson published a monograph by Daremblum entitled "How to Strengthen Democracy in Latin America." The monograph outlines the enduring challenges Latin America faces, including poverty, radical populism, education, and the struggle to adapt to globalization. Daremblum has also written several books in his native Spanish, including *From Yalta to Vancouver* (Libro Libre, 1995). He co-authored *Nicaragua and Central America: Conflict and Democracy* (Libro Libre, 1984).

Daremblum has lectured widely throughout the U.S., Europe, and Latin America in a variety of forums, including events hosted by the White House, the French National Assembly, and the Council on Foreign Relations. He testifies frequently before Congress and participates in numerous conferences and seminars in the United States, Latin America, Europe, and Israel.

Prior to joining Hudson, Daremblum was Costa Rica's Ambassador to the U.S. (1998-2004). In that post, he was known for assuring a high diplomatic profile for his country. He enjoyed warm relations with Presidents Clinton and George W. Bush. His stature provides valuable connections for Hudson in Washington's diplomatic community.

Prior to becoming Ambassador to the U.S., Daremblum taught political economy at the University of Costa Rica, the Autonomous University, and the Center of Administrative and Political Research, affiliated with Tulane University. Daremblum graduated with honors from University of Costa Rica and earned his M.A. and Ph.D. at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University. A lawyer by training, Daremblum practiced law in Costa Rica, where he co-founded the Daremblum & Herrera-Abogados law firm.

—Emily Simmons