

## CONFERENCE PAPER ABSTRACT

### *CHINA'S APPROACH TO LATIN AMERICA*

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#### **Objective**

This paper aims to analyze china's recent increase in diplomatic and economic interactions with the Latin American countries. It will concentrate on the China perspective, though responses from the region will also be studied. The paper will first consider the evolution of Chinese foreign policy in recent years including its emphasis on serving the country's modernization and economic development and its relations with the United States and other major powers. China's economic development needs will also be considered. On this basis, the paper attempts to build an analytical framework for China's resource diplomacy and the role of Latin America in it.

#### **Results and Conclusions**

Statistical analysis constitutes an important part of the research. China's economic statistics, trade statistics, the trade and investment flows between China and Latin America, the significance of these flows to China and Latin America, etc. will be collated and analyzed. Foreign policy documents and literature on the subject area will also be carefully studied. China's support for the regional diplomatic, economic and strategic objectives will be covered.

As not much work has been done in this field, it is hoped that the paper will provide a preliminary sketch serving as a base to stimulate further research on the relations between China and Latin America.