In 2010 Leslie Bethell wrote a provocative essay in the *Journal of Latin America Studies* entitled "Brazil and Latin America". In raising the question "Is Brazil part of Latin America?" the essay generated, and continues to generate, considerable debate. Following the publication of Leslie’s new book, *Brazil: Essays in History and Politics* (ILAS, 2017), the conference aims to explore further the theme of Brazil’s relationship with the rest of Latin America, past and present, and explore comparisons between the two regions.

With the participation of Leslie Bethell, the conference will examine the following themes:

1. **Historical Perspectives**: Ori Preuss (Tel Aviv University), James Woodard. Monclair, USA, Mariana Guimarães A. da Silveira Federal (Fluminense University).
2. **Historical and Regional Perspectives**: Robert Howes (King’s College London), Andrew Nickson (University of Birmingham), Juan Pablo Ferrero (University of Bath).
3. **State Formation: Regional and Global Perspectives**: Guilherme Celestino (King’s College London, Anthony Pereira (Brazil Institute, Kings College London), Andrew Hurrell (University of Oxford).
4. **Cultural Comparisons**: Giulia Champion (Warwick University), David Lehmann (University of Cambridge), Vinicius Mariano de Carvalho (King’s College London).

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