

# HiCN Households in Conflict Network

**Call for Papers**  
**Sixth Annual Workshop**  
**Households in Conflict Network (HiCN)**  
**Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá - Colombia**  
**December 2-3, 2010**

**The Sixth Annual Workshop of the Households in Conflict Network will take place at Universidad de los Andes, Bogota – Colombia on December 2-3 2010.** The purpose of the Households in Conflict Network (HiCN) is to bring together cutting edge empirical and theoretical micro-level research on the nature, causes and consequences of violent conflict. The sixth workshop will focus on the relationship between conflict, violent crime, and illicit activities.

Crime may lead or fuel existing conflicts, and have strong links with conflict during the post-conflict period. Conflicts congest the law enforcement system, lower the probability of punishment, diffuse criminal knowledge and technologies, and erode morals, thus promoting the emergence of criminal and illegal activities. In post-conflict periods, criminal violence many times soars, as the respective destructive technology is now utilized for criminal activities. In addition, illicit activities (drug trafficking, gambling, etc.) provide in some countries significant financial resources to rebel groups, fueling conflict and violent activities. Also, competition between organized criminal groups over the control of illegal activities many times takes the form of violent retaliations that trigger spirals of violence such as the one observed in Mexico during the last few years. We welcome contributions addressing these important issues and also papers on other areas of the micro-level analysis of conflict and crime. Empirical studies from other continents are very welcome.

The keynote speaker for this workshop will be Jim Fearon (Stanford University).

**Researchers interested in submitting a paper for this workshop should send complete manuscripts in PDF or Word format to [hicn@uniandes.edu.co](mailto:hicn@uniandes.edu.co) by September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**

Authors whose paper is selected for presentation will be notified by October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Limited funding is available for selected participants from developing countries and researchers in early stages of their career who do not receive funding from their home institutions. We will automatically inform selected authors of funding availability at the time of the notification.

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