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The Interim Editorial Board of *Genocide Studies and Prevention: An International Journal* (GSP) is happy to announce Special Issue 8.1, entitled *Genocide Studies: Debates from the Latin American Margin*. GSP is the Official Journal of The International Association of Genocide Scholars (IAGS).

This special issue contains articles that have been translated from Spanish into English. The aim of this issue is to enable a larger audience for Hispanic genocide scholars, and to create a greater awareness of issues of genocide in Hispanic countries. We hope you find this special issue informative and engaging.

Furthermore this special issue serves as the inaugural publication of GSP as an online, free and open access journal. There have been a number of major developments in the journal over the past 12 months. Through a process of consultations with the members of IAGS, the Journal Transition Committee that was appointed by the Executive Board (2011-2013), decided to move GSP to an open online format, with the possibility of also releasing print anthologies of selected articles.

This means that GSP will now reach a wider audience, including those in the global south and practitioners who cannot afford to access databases and/or subscribe to print journals. It also means that GSP will be able to publish a broader variety of formats, including art and photo essays, capturing the multi-disciplinary nature of genocide scholarship.

A huge thank you to all of the people who have been involved in the journal transition process, including Wiliam Schabas, Frank Chalk, Emmanuel Taub, Edwin Daniel Jacob, and Lior Zylberman. We would like to express our gratitude to the members of IAGS Executive and Advisory Boards (2005-2007) that started GSP, in partnership with the Zoryan Institute of Toronto, Canada.

Great appreciation goes to the Founding-Editors and other members of GSP's Editorial Boards who worked tirelessly to make GSP the respected journal it is today. These include Samuel Totten, Herbert Hirsch, Eric Markusen (RIP), Alex Alvarez, Henry Theriault, and Nicholas A. Robins, who have built a high quality journal for genocide scholarship. The excellence they strived for will be maintained. Finally we would like to thank Alex Hinton along with the Executive and Advisory Boards of the IAGS (2011-2013) for their tireless efforts in this transitional process.

Starting with this special Issue GSP will be fully published by the IAGS, thanks to the University of South Florida who are providing us with the web platform for the journal.

A call for editors for a new Editorial Board was issued, and the decision with regards to received applications will be announced soon.

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