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What Choice of Planning Models? Hybridizing Territorial References in Latin America

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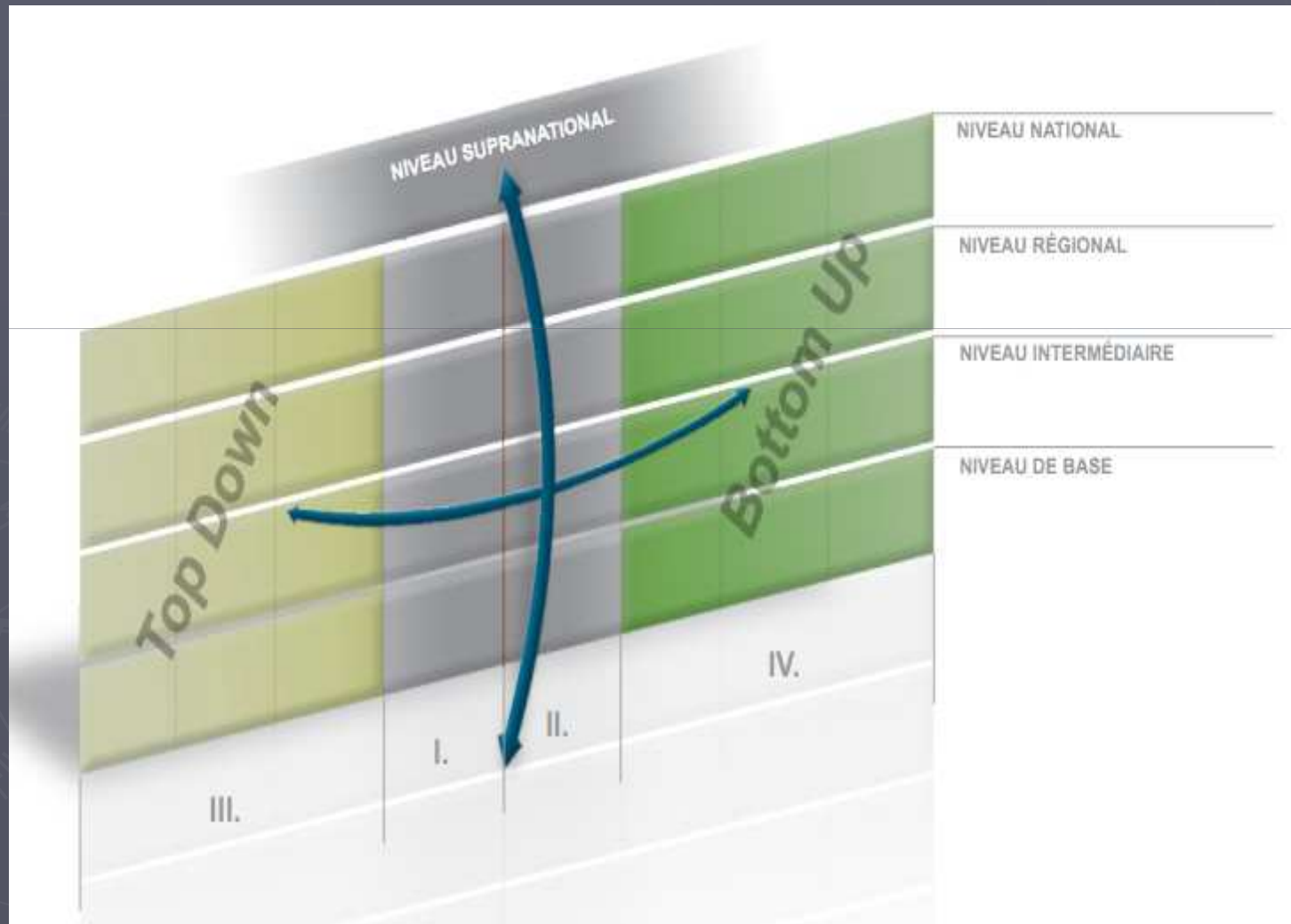
Contextualizing this paper geographically....

What has « Latin » America to do here ?

- ▶▶ A case of « extreme occidentalization » (A. Rouquié)
 - ▶▶ Very distinct processes of devolution 
 - ▶▶ Changing governance without redistricting policies?
- => Going beyond market-based *vs.* public-actors approach to regional dynamics and politics



A model to decentralization in the Global South



and theoretically

- ▶ Virtues and vices of comparative approaches
- ▶ Models, Norms, Referentials (« référentiels »)
- ▶ Defining governance: « Soft concept, hard politics » (World-Bank 1992; Osmondt 1998)
- ▶ *Gobernanza/ gobernabilidad = governance / governability* (Kooiman 1993; Kooiman 2003).
- ▶ « Territorial » governance ?

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1. Governing and Planning: models to match growth and justice?

- ▶ A « late » planning tradition ?
- ▶ Welfare state and regional interventions
- ▶ Economic growth and neoliberal options
- ▶ Addressing socio-spatial inequalities
- ▶ Centralized vs. Federal States
- ▶ Urban polarization and segregation
- ▶ Broad polarization



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2. Planning Agency in Latin America


- ▶ The historic dimension of administrative organizations -cf. constitutional changes: (re-)defining democracy 
- ▶ Centralization of federal and centralized states
- ▶ State vs. Non-State actors ?
- ▶ The weight of the private sector
- ▶ Towards the emergence of regional capacity-building amongst the elites ?



Table 1.1 Latin America: Year of democratic transition and first municipal elections (Daughters and Harper 2007, pp. 218–219)

Country	Year of democratic transition	Year of first municipal elections
Mexico	1917	1917
Costa Rica	1949	1949
Colombia	1958	1988
Venezuela	1958	1989
Ecuador	1979	1983
Peru	1980	1980
Belize	1981	1981
Bolivia	1982	1985
Honduras	1982	1982
Argentina	1983	1983
El Salvador	1984	1985
Guatemala	1985	1985
Uruguay	1985	1984
Brazil	1985	1985
Paraguay	1989	1991
Panama	1989	1995
Nicaragua	1990	1992
Chile	1990	1992



3. Territorial References : renewed scales of governance

- ▶ European state normative environment
- ▶ Regional economic thinking : CEPAL
- ▶ North American market inspired models
- ▶ Citizenship and the informal city
- ▶ The role of regional integration processes (not always institutionalized)
- ▶ Metropolitan government
vs
- ▶ Autonomization of peripheral spaces

Conclusions

- ▶ Governance = product of **negociation** between **varied groups of stakeholders**, thus leading to a **hybridization** of **action norms** (Desage & Godard 2005)
- ▶ « **Mythification** » of norms
- ▶ **Unstable balance** of governance processes in Latin America?