Seminar program:

9:00 - 10:00 Welcome
Welcome: Ambassador Eduardo Prisco, Brazilian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Keynote: Torbjørn Roe Isaksen, Norwegian Minister of Education and Research
Keynote: Professor Paulo Esteves, Director of the International Relations Institute (IRI/PUC-Rio)

10:00 - 10:15 Introduction to the Academic Program: Torkel Brekke (PRIO) and Monica Herz (IRI PUC-Rio/GSUM)

10:15 – 11:15 Brazil and Norway: Situating foreign policy and global governance ambitions
Benedicte Bull (SUM UiO), “Between the “benevolent BRIC” and a champion of inequality: perspectives on Brazil in Norwegian social science”
Torkjell Leira (UiO), “Foreign Aid as Foreign Policy. How the Haiti case reveals different approaches to civil society and NGOs”
Maria G. Jumbert (PRIO), “Humanitarian aid: what form of international cooperation for Brazil and Norway?”

11:15 – 11:45 Coffee-break

11:45 – 13:00 Middle powers and modalities of global governance
Benjamin de Carvalho (NUPI), “A view from Norway: middle powers in global politics”
Pinar Tank (PRIO), “Middle powers as partners: What’s the attraction?”
Eduarda Hamann (Igarapé Institute), “Brazil’s contributions to peacekeeping: Haiti and beyond”
Maira Siman (IRI PUC-Rio/GSUM), “Analyzing middle power international actions beyond conventional foreign policy rationales: a view from Brazil”

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