INTRODUCTION

This volume of Última Década encompasses various facets of youth experience. The first contribution, "Leisure-time. An ethnographic approximation of the codes of occasional sexuality in urbanized youth" by CHRISTIAN MATUS, presents research findings on the experience of youth sexuality. CARLOS HENRIQUE DOS SANTOS addresses dimensions of expressive identity in his article "The dances of charme: Spaces for elaboration of youth identities". MIGUEL ABAD offers a conference paper titled "Youth politics and juvenile employment: The king's new suit". JESÚS REDONDO's central concern in his article "The chilean experimentation in education: Does it conduct greater equity and quality in the education?" is to discuss the Chilean educational reform. The final article presents research results by JUAN SANDOVAL and NELSON ARELLANO in "Labour paths, unemployment and citizenship: In the case of viña del Mar".

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We want to share this good news with our readers and take this opportunity to express our gratitude to all the authors who have contributed to the consolidation of this biannual publication from the Center for Social Studies (CIDPA) over the past thirteen years. We also extend our recognition to the Editorial Committee of the journal, which has accompanied us in this collective endeavor.

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