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**STRENGTHENING CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION**  
**IN AN ERA OF GLOBAL TRANSFORMATION**

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***CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION IN LATIN AMERICA:  
CHALLENGES AND POSSIBILITIES***

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**I. General perspectives on the educational challenges of the 21st century**

**1.1 The global discussion within the educational sphere**

**1.2 The current world context: negative consequences of the globalization phenomenon**

***(1) Effects of neoliberal globalization: generalized poverty, inequality and social insecurity***

***(2) Neoliberal globalization and the ecological dimension***

**II. Rethinking the nature and mission of the university: Latin American voices**

**III. The Church and the Christian University in and from Latin America**

**3.1 The global context of the discussion within the Protestant sector**

***(1) Christian University, human development and ecumenical culture***

***(2) The issue of safeguarding the identity***

**3.2 Some main facts about Latin American Protestant universities**

**3.3 Challenges and possibilities**

***(1) Relations between Christian formation and society: Possibilities of a singular impact of Protestantism in Latin America?***

***(2) The question of identity***

***(3) Matters of teaching, curriculum, administration, social outreach and research***

**Conclusions**

**Appendix: Protestants Universities in Latin America**