

# **SPECIAL ISSUE:** TRANSDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES TO INTEGRATING POLICY AND SCIENCE FOR SUSTAINABILITY CALL FOR PAPERS AND SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

# **VÍNCULOS** UNIVERSIDAD DE LAS FUERZAS ARMADAS ESPE INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL CHANGE

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