

EIR Editor Receives International Journalist Award in Mexico

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Dec. 22—*Executive Intelligence Review* is pleased to report that the Journalists' Club of Mexico, the leading association of independent journalists in Mexico, this year chose to honor *EIR*'s Ibero-America Director, Dennis Small, for his work with *EIR* and the Schiller Institute on behalf of world peace.

The Journalists' Club held its annual National and International Journalism Awards [Ceremony](#) Dec. 5, in which it honors Mexican and international journalists chosen for their exemplary journalism and contributions on behalf of defending freedom of expression. The Club has held this annual ceremony since its

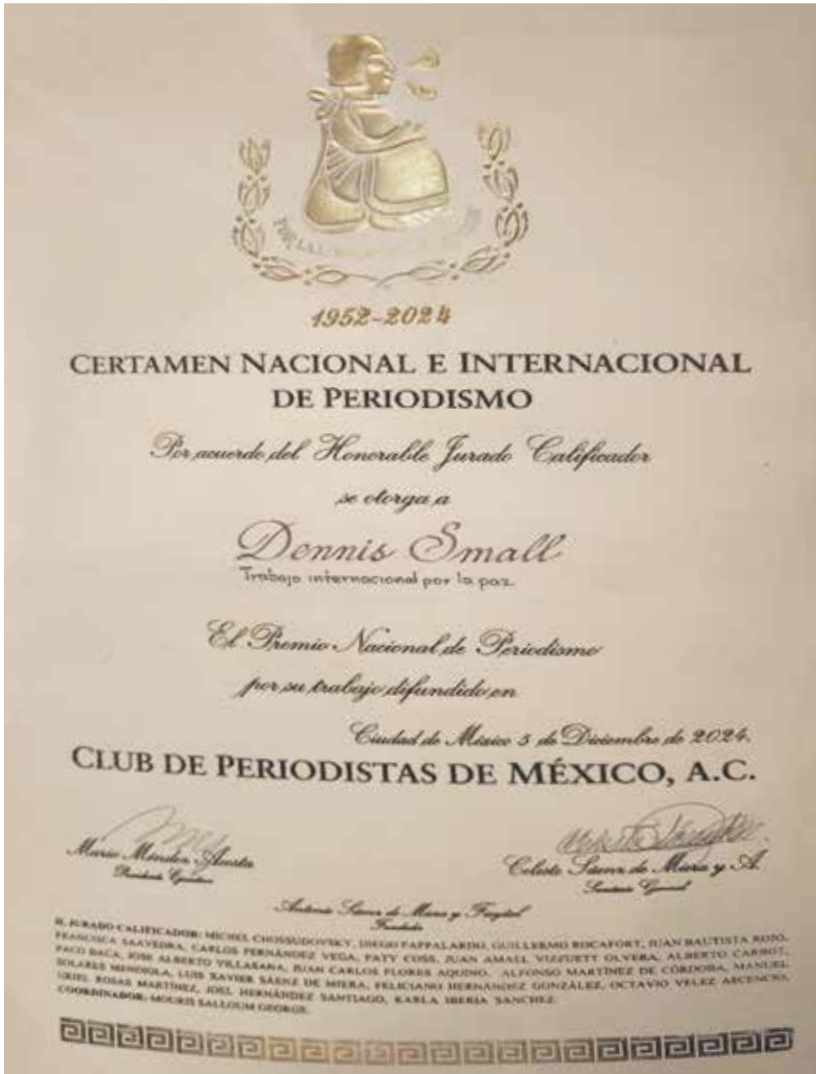
founding in 1952, and its awards are considered very prestigious, both in Mexico and internationally. Two years ago, in its 70th Journalism Awards ceremony, the Club bestowed an [award](#) on the Schiller Institute and its founder, Helga Zepp-LaRouche, for leading an important fight for Truth.

The awards ceremony is held each year in the Club's beautiful 19th-Century neo-classical building in Mexico City's downtown historic district. The jury, composed of 20 veteran journalists from Mexico, South America and Spain, this year chose to honor Small for his "work in favor of peace," citing



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*The Journalists' Club of Mexico meeting at which *EIR*'s Ibero-America Director, Dennis Small was honored.*



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The certificate presented to Small by the Mexican Journalists' Club.

his articles published in *EIR* from November 2023 to December 2024, as well as for his *Informe Semanal*, a weekly half-hour strategic report posted on *EIR*'s Spanish language sites, *Resumen Ejecutivo–EIR* and the *EIR Español* YouTube channel. In their brief presentation at the awards ceremony, Small was presented as an important member of *EIR* and a “strong fighter for world peace; his analyses include works on economics and international politics,” in the words of the director of the awards committee, Celeste Sáenz de Miera, who also directs the Antonio Sáenz de Miera Foundation that sponsors the awards program. The two presenters at the ceremony also praised Small’s work with that “tireless proponent

of world peace, the Schiller Institute.”

A Ceremony Worthy of Its Mission

In opening the ceremony, Celeste Sáenz spoke of the struggle to free republics from the unipolar system, reaffirmed the commitment “to free and critical journalism,” and insisted on “the need to strengthen public media.”

Fifty-seven journalists, from public and private media, both national and international, were honored, each receiving a medal and a diploma. In addition to *EIR*, journalists from Sputnik, RT, Prensa Latina and Telesur were honored for their respective work in the category of international journalism.

The ceremony has become a national institution. It opened with the entry of the Mexican Navy Band, after which the several hundred people present rose to sing the national anthem, adding a sense of solemnity to the occasion. The political advisor to the Presidency’s Office of Social Communication, José Alfonso Suárez del Real, spoke on behalf of Mexican President Claudia Sheinbaum.

Guillermo Rocafort, a well-known independent Spanish journalist who represents the Journalists’ Club of Mexico in Spain and serves on the jury which selects the recipients of the awards, spoke of the importance and uniqueness of the event for the Spanish-language press “at a time when the unipolar world is collapsing.”

The jury members on the podium thanked the diplomats from various embassies who attended, which included Russia’s Ambassador to Mexico, Nicolay Sofinsky. Leading national print and electronic media emphasized the importance of the event.

The Journalists’ Club publishes the magazine, *Voces del Periodista* [*Journalists’ Voices*], and broadcasts a radio program with the same name, led by its director Celeste Sáenz, in which *EIR*’s Mexico City correspondent, Gerardo Castilleja, is invited to participate weekly, where he presents *EIR*’s updated analyses.