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VIA Immigration Project and TeConecta ONG

**Sin Fronteras:**  
Ensuring Human Rights and Migration  
through Legal Representation and Social Entrepreneurship



**Thursday, March 19, 2020 Check-in 4:30pm, Program 5 - 7pm – LEAD Summit 2020**

California State University, San Bernardino  
Santos Manuel Student Union - Events Center  
**FREE PARKING with RSVP**

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free... Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!" read the original sonnet on the Statue of Liberty. Current immigration policy strays far from this founding message—it's restrictive and disempowering to migrants seeking entry into and those seeking to regularize already within the US. How do we empower im/migrants? How do we emancipate from current, draconian immigration policies/practices?

Through technical and entrepreneurial training, TeConecta helps Guatemalan deportees productively reintegrate themselves into economy. To date there have been 2,500 people who have received support, are able to reinsert themselves into the national and/or global economies and contribute to the development of their home country.

Over the last three years, VIA has successfully aided unaccompanied minors and deaf and hard of hearing asylum seekers with legal representation on a pro/low bono basis. Through domestic and transnational collaboration, VIA aims to strategically partner with organizations and deploy resources to help guarantee the rights of asylum seekers specifically disabled individuals abroad and domestically.

TeConecta and VIA Immigration Project will conjointly discuss approaches and strategies to empower vulnerable im/migrant populations through entrepreneurship, training, legal representation and education,

**Speakers**



**María José Girón**  
Co-Founder and President, TeConecta Guatemala



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**Hadley Bajramovic**, founder of VIA Immigration Project and CEO at The Immigration Law Offices of Hadley Bajramovic



**Laura Galindo**, Volunteer Case Manager at VIA and Humanitarian/DACA & Naturalization Manager at The Immigration Law Offices of Hadley Bajramovic

**Testimonials**

**Guest**, Former Unaccompanied Minor, Asylum case

**Guest**, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Individual, Asylum case

**VIA Immigrant Project** as a not-for-profit advocacy organization seeks to empower undocumented immigrants to become US Citizens through advocacy and legal assistance.

Through assistance to unaccompanied minors, deaf children and adults, and low income and vulnerable immigrant populations with removal proceedings and asylum cases.

**TeConecta Guatemala** is a free counseling, guidance and reintegration program for all people who are being returned daily from the United States. This project began in December 2012 to support this group of people who are vulnerable on their return to Guatemala.

Te Conecta is a social project of the company Labor Connection dedicated to human management and human resources advice. This project does not have financial support from any government institution or private entity.