

to take the three countries down the road of integration, given the economic, cultural, and political asymmetries between them?¹⁶

At this time it is difficult to imagine a "United States of North America" or something similar. However, just a decade ago few observers foresaw anything like a NAFTA. As circumstances change, new challenges and opportunities could arise that are difficult to predict from today's vantage point regarding the future of North American Trilateralism in the twenty-first century.

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¹⁶For more detailed discussion of these areas, see NAMINEWS 1996; Randall 1995; and the trilateral Project by Gibbins, Guillén, and Sparrow being carried out by researchers at San Diego State University, the University of Calgary, and El Colegio de la Frontera Norte.