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# Dawisson Belém Lopes: Brazil's Foreign Policy in Regional and Global Dynamics

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In this episode of Orion Talks, host Marta Furlan talks with Professor Dawisson Belém Lopes on Brazil's foreign policy outlook, including its relations within the Latin American region and its relations with the US. The episode starts with Prof Lopes giving a detailed overview of Brazil's foreign policy outlook under the current Presidency of Mr Lula da Silva. To better understand Lula's current foreign policy attitude, Lopes takes a historical approach, looking also into Lula's past two terms as President (2003-2011). From there, Prof Lopes discusses in great detail Brazil's relations with its Latin American neighbors, emphasizing the changes that Brazil's regional posture has been undergoing over the years and underlying the specific changes that have taken place from Bolsonaro's presidency to Lula's presidency. Finally, the episode concludes with an interesting discussion on Brazil-US relations, from both a historical and contemporary perspective. To conclude, Prof Lopes shares in considerations on what a renewed Trump president may mean for relations between the two main powers of the Americas.

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