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Together with my friend and colleague of ideas, former Prime Minister Tony Blair, we launched the book 'La Tercera Vía', which contained two essays. One was called "New policies for the new century", signed by the then prime minister, and another called "An alternative for Colombia", written by me. With him we agreed to put into practice that Third Way of which Anthony Giddens, director of the university to which I belonged, the London School of Economics and Political Science, originally spoke. I know they are asking: "What is the Third Way?" It is a conception of the role of the State in society that takes the best and seeks an intermediate and pragmatic path between the two currents that led the world in the 20th century: that of a classical liberalism -then reissued as neoliberalism- that favored economic freedom and the individual in a system based on private property. And on the other hand, there was statism or interventionism, which defends the ownership and control of the means of production by the State and the preponderance of collective rights over individuals.



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