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University of Miami, Knight Center, Hyatt Hotel
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Conference Program

Panel Discussion: The Current Situation

Luis Aguilar León, Georgetown University -Emeritus
Jorge Pérez-López, U.S. Department of Labor
Jorge Sanguinety, DevTech Systems
Jaime Suchlicki, University of Miami

Roundtable: Non-Sugar Agricultural Trade

William Messina, University of Florida
James Ross, University of Florida
José Alvarez, University of Florida
Richard N. Brown, U.S. Department of Agriculture

Women

The Impact of the Transition on Cuban Women
Julie Marie Bunck, University of Louisville
Discussant: Alfred Padula, University of Southern Maine
La mujer cubana en el exilio: Su aporte económico y social y su visión sobre Cuba
Uva de Aragón, Cuban Research Institute, Florida International University
Discussant: Beatriz Casals, Casals and Associates

Self-Employment

The Cuban Self-Employed: Who Are They?
Ana Julia Jatar-Hausman, Inter-American Dialogue
Discussant: Ernesto Betancourt, International Development and Finance
Prospects for Cuban Entrepreneurs After Transition: A Comparative Analysis
Ricardo Tejada, U.S. Department of Labor
Discussant: Luis Locay, University of Miami

Roundtable: NGOs Working in Cuba

Oscar Brown Stamp, Canadian Cooperative Association
Christopher Gilson, Jr., Catholic Relief Services

Roundtable: Cubans in the United States

El Exilio y sus Distintas Etapas

Miguel González-Pando, Florida International University

Cubans in Small Business in the City of Chicago: A Comparative Study of Ethnic

Enterprises Among Latin American and Asian Immigrants

Silvia Pedraza, University of Michigan

The Success of Failure, the Failure of Success: Cubans in the United States in the 1990s

Discussant: Nelson Amaro, Universidad del Valle de Guatemala

External Sector Issues

Canadians in Cuba: Getting to Know Each Other Better

Julia Sagebien, Dalhousie University, Canada

Discussant: Mauricio Font, Queens College

Foreign Investment in Cuba: An Update

María C. Werlau, Orbis International

Discussant: José Ramón de la Torre, University of California, Los Angeles

Una plena reinserción en la economía internacional para lograr el milagro económico cubano:

Altas y sustentables tasas de crecimiento con equidad y paz social

Rolando Castañeda and George Plinio Montalván, Inter-American Development Bank

Discussant: Rafael Núñez, International Consultant

Roundtable: Tourism

Cuba's Tourism Industry

Charles Suddaby, The Economic Planning Group, Canada

Cuban Tourism, Economic Growth and the Welfare of the Cuban Worker

Joseph Perry and Jeffrey Steagall, University of North Florida

Impact of Helms-Burton on Cuban Tourism

Saturnino Lucio, Lucio, Mandle, Croland, Bronstein, Garbett, Stipanhy & Martínez,

P.A. and Nicolás Crespo, Phoenix Hospitality and Consulting Group

Cuban Tourism 2007: Economic Impact

Nicolás Crespo, Cuban Society of Tourism Professionals

Discussants: Artimus Keiffer, Indiana University Purdue University at Indianapolis and

María Dolores Espino, Economix Group, Inc.

Transition Issues

Transición y recuperación económica de Cuba

Gerardo González Núñez, Universidad Interamericana, Puerto Rico

Discussant: Armando Linde, International Monetary Fund

Algunos apuntes sobre la teoría de la transición en Cuba

Marta Beatriz Roque Cabello, Instituto de Economistas Independientes de Cuba

(read by Jorge Sanguinety, DevTech Systems, Inc.)

Discussant: Rolando Castañeda, Inter-American Development Bank

Propuesta para el reordenamiento de la economía cubana: Aspectos internacionales y financieros

Rodolfo A. Carrandi

Discussant: Juan Carlos Espinosa, University of Miami

Macroeconomic Issues

Liberalization and the Behavior of Output During the Transition from Plan to Market

Ernesto Hernández-Catá, International Monetary Fund

Discussant: Luis Locay, University of Miami
Economic Policies, Human Capital, Growth, and Technological Change in Cuba
Manuel Madrid-Aris, University of Southern California
Discussant: Ricardo Martínez, Inter-American Development Bank

U.S. Policy Toward Cuba

A Proposal for U.S. Policy Toward Cuba
Carlos Seiglie, Rutgers University
Discussant: Eusebio Mujal-León, Georgetown University
Implications of the U.S. Economic Embargo for a Political Transition in Cuba
Juan J. López, University of Illinois at Chicago
Discussant: William C. Smith, University of Miami
Social Forces and the Process of Transition
Enrique Pumar, American University
Discussant: Benigno Aguirre, Texas A&M University

Foreign Assistance for a Democratic Cuba

Support for a Democratic Transition in Cuba
Robert V. Burke, U.S. Agency for International Development
Enfoque crítico del documento para la transición democrática
Maida Donate-Armada
Documento de programación de la cooperación internacional
Rolando Castañeda and George Plinio Montalván, Inter-American Development Bank
Discussants: Ernesto Betancourt, International Development and Finance and Ernesto Hernández-Catá,
International Monetary Fund

Privatization and Reforms

Privatización: ¿Factor de unión y desarrollo o de conflicto social?
Alberto Luzárraga, Amerinvest Corp.
Discussant: Steven Escobar, U.S. Department of Commerce
Legal Foundations for a Successful Privatization in Cuba
Matías Travieso-Díaz and Alejandro Ferraté, Shaw, Pittman, Potts & Trowbridge
Discussant: Pamela Falk, City University of New York School of Law

Industrial Sector Issues

The Cement Industry
Teo Babún, Cuba-Caribbean Development Corporation, Ltd.
Discussant: James Powers, Lone Star Industries
Bioprospecting in a Post-Castro Cuba
Larry Daley, Oregon State University
“Power to the People: Assessing the Impact of Cuba’s Nuclear Development Program and the Politics of Modernization”
Jonathan Benjamin-Alvarado, University of Georgia
Discussant: Duane Fitzgerald, U.S. General Accounting Office

Roundtable: Reinstatement of the 1940 Constitution

José D. Acosta, OAS-Retired
Agustín de Goytisolo, Mesa, Rodríguez & Machado, P.A.
Néstor Carbonell-Cortina, Pepsico International

Eugenio Hernández and Luis A. Cordero, Weiss & Hernández
Antonio Alonso Avila and Avelino J. González, Attorneys at Law, Cuba and USA
Efrén Córdova, Florida International University
Hon. Annie Betancourt, State Representative, Florida House of Representatives
Luis Figueroa, International Institute of Cuban Lawyers, Florida Bar Association
Alberto Luzárraga, Amerinvest Corp.
Lorenzo L. Pérez, International Monetary Fund

Financial Sector Issues

Institution Building: A Regulatory and Supervisory Framework for Cuba's Financial Sector Reform
Yosem Companys, Yale University
Discussant: Manuel Lasaga, Strategic Information Analysis, Inc.
Cuba's Hard Currency Debt II
Gabriel Fernández
Discussant: Oscar A. Echevarría, U.S. Investment Corporation
Lending and Monitoring
Fernando Alvarez, Babson College
Discussant: Alan Werlau, Deltec Asset Management Corporation

Sugar

Avoiding Managerial Human Capital Loss in Transition II Sugar Factories
Willard Radell, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Discussant: José E. Lima, IPS Consultants
An Empirical Study of Workforce Composition and Performance Incentives in a Cuban Sugar CPA
Frederick S. Royce, William A. Messina and José Alvarez, University of Florida
Discussant: Jorge F. Pérez-López, U.S. Department of Labor
A Market Outlook for Cuban Sugar
Carlos Deschappelle, Amerop Sugar Corporation

Institutional Issues

The Implications of the Governance Literature for the Reconstruction of Cuba
Lorenzo L. Pérez, International Monetary Fund
Discussants: Roger R. Betancourt, University of Maryland and Ricardo A. Puerta, International Development Consultant
"The Welfare State and Its Ethical Implications: A Viable Alternative for Post-Castro Cuba?"
Ambassador Alberto Martínez-Piedra, Catholic University of America
Discussant: Roberto González-Cofiño, International Development and Finance

Environment

Regulation of Point Source Water Pollution in Cuba: Current Status and Future Challenges
María Dolores Espino, Economix Group, Inc.
Discussant: Manuel Madrid, University of Southern California
Property Regimes, Technologies, and Environment in Agriculture: The Case of Santo Domingo, Villa Clara
Héctor Sáez, Wagner College
The Transition and the Environment
Sergio Díaz-Briquets, Casals and Associates, and Jorge Pérez-López, U.S. Department of Labor
Discussant: René Costales, Inter-American Development Bank