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Twelfth Annual Meeting
Omni Colonnade Hotel, Coral Gables, Florida
August 1–3, 2002

Conference Program

Current Economic and Political Situation

Carlos N. Quijano, ASCE President
Marta Beatriz Roque, Instituto Cubano de Economistas Independientes
Oscar Espinosa Chepe, Independent Journalist
Pablo Alfonso, *El Nuevo Herald*
Marifeli Pérez-Stable, Florida International University

The State, Institutions and the Market Economy

The Role of Private Institutions in the Transition Economy
Guy Pfeffermann, Director and Chief Economic Advisor, International Finance Corporation
Transparency and Governance: Recent Experiences in Transition Economies
Miguel Schloss, Transparency International

Macroeconomics

Update on Cuban Dollarization
Roberto Orro, H. Calero Consulting Group
Parasitismo Económico y su Impacto en el Tránsito hacia el Mercado.
Manuel García Díaz, Universidad de Granada
Lecciones de la crisis Argentina para Cuba
Rolando Castañeda, IDB (retired)
Educational Investment and Human Capital Creation in Cuba
Manuel Madrid-Aris, Florida International University
Discussants: Ernesto Hernández-Catá, IMF, and Joaquín Pujol, IMF (retired)

Educational and Legal Issues and the Transition (co-sponsored by the Institute for Cuban and Cuban American Studies, University of Miami)

The Role of Education in Promoting Cuba's Integration into the International Society: Lessons in Transition from Post-Communist States of Central and Eastern Europe
Andy Gómez, University of Miami
Rehabilitando la educación en una Cuba en proceso de cambio
Graciella Cruz-Taura, Florida Atlantic University

Discussant: Benigno Aguirre, University of Delaware

The Role of the Judiciary in the Cuban Transition

Laura Patallo Sánchez, University of Miami

Discussant: George Menció, Holland & Knight

Alternative Recommendations for Dealing with the Expropriation of Properties in Post-Castro Cuba

Matías Travieso-Díaz, Shaw Pittman LLP

Discussants: Nicolás Gutiérrez, Rafferty, Gutiérrez, Sánchez-Aballí, Stolzenberg & Gellis

Combating Corruption

Corrupción y Transparencia

Ricardo Puerta, Consultant

Combating Corruption in a Post-Castro Cuba

Sergio Díaz-Briquets, Casals & Associates, and Jorge Pérez-López, U.S. Department of Labor

Let There be Candy for Everyone: Reform, Regulation and Rent-Seeking in the Republic of Cuba

Mary Speck, Stanford University

Discussants: Damián Fernández, FIU, and Richard Lotspeich, Indiana State University

External Sector

Foreign Direct Investment and Cooperated Production in Castro's Cuba.

Paolo Spadoni, University of Florida

Foreign Investment in Cuba: Prospects and Perils

Matías Travieso-Díaz, Shaw Pittman LLP and Charles Trumbull, Dartmouth College

Las Negociaciones Internacionales Económicas de Cuba

Francisco León, Consultant

Discussants: John Kavulich, U.S.-Cuba Trade and Economic Council, María C. Werlau, Orbis International, and

Ambassador Dennis Hays, Cuban American National Foundation

Roundtable: Cuba's Intellectual Property Regime—Trends, Issues, and Future Challenges

Jesus Sanchelima, Esq., Sanchelima & Associates, P.A., Miami, Florida

Pedro A. Freyre, Akerman, Senterfitt & Eidson, P.A., Miami, Florida

Alan C. Swan, University of Miami School of Law

Discussant: Stephen J. Kimmerling, Esq.

Special Topics

Restoration of Cuban Gallery Forests, Especially on the Bayamo and Other Rivers of the Cauto Basin.

Larry Daley, Oregon State University

Discussant: Eudel Eduardo Cepero

El Prejuicio Norteamericano en Cuba

Dominga González Suárez, Universidad de Granada

Discussant: Silvia Pedraza, University of Michigan

The Impact on the U.S. Economy of Lifting Restrictions on Travel to Cuba

Dorothy Robyn, The Brattle Group

Discussant: Manuel Lasaga, Stratinfo

Perspectives on U.S.-Cuban Agricultural Trade Issues

International Trade between the U.S. and Cuba: Lessons from the Past

Myriam Quispe-Agnoli, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Potential Economic Impacts of U.S. Agricultural Exports to Cuba

C. Parr Rosson III, Texas A&M University

Overview of the Dollar Market for High Value Foods in Cuba

James E. Ross, University of Florida

Discussants: William Trumbull, West Virginia University, and Matthew McPherson, West Virginia University

Coloquio Constitucional Sobre la Tercera República

El Hombre para el Estado o el Estado para el Hombre

Alberto Luzárraga, Cuban American Research Group

Privatizando el Socialismo

Manuel Pérez Torres, Entrepreneur, founder of MT1 Software

Challenges for a Transitional Judicial System in a Post-Castro Cuba

Mario Díaz Cruz III, Dorsey & Whitney LLP, New York, New York

Discussant: Luis J. Pérez, Akerman Senterfitt, Miami

Student Panel

An Evaluation of Four Decades of Cuban Healthcare

Felipe E. Sixto, Florida International University

Discussant: Antonio Gayoso, Investment and Economics, LLC

Revolutionary Leaders, Ideology and Change

Erin Ennis, Catholic University of America

Discussant: Edward Gonzalez, UCLA Emeritus and member of Adjunct Staff, RAND

A Taste of Capitalism: The Rise and Fall of Havana's Private Restaurants (*Paladares*)

Ted Henken, Tulane University

Discussant: Juan Carlos Espinosa

Tourism

The Tourism Sector During the Republic: Performance, Policy and the Public Debate

María Dolores Espino, St. Thomas University

Trinidad's Tourism Debacle: Between "Glocal" Heritage and National Economic Development

Joseph Scarpaci, Virginia Tech

Impact of September Eleven on Tourism Activities in Cuba and the Caribbean

Nicolás Crespo, Phoenix Hospitality and Consulting Corp., and Charles Suddaby, Charles Suddaby and Associates

Discussants: Marifeli Pérez-Stable, FIU, and Art Padilla, North Carolina State University

Constitutions, Property Rights and Public Choice

Economic Implications of the 1940 Constitution: Lessons for the Future

Jorge A. Sanguinety, DevTech Systems

Discussant: Joaquín Pujol, IMF (retired)

The U.S. Constitution and Private Property: Reflections for Cuba

Juan A.B. Belt, Inter-American Development Bank

Discussant: Alberto Luzárraga, Cuban American Research Group

A Public Choice Model of the Incentives of Castro as Authoritarian

Gary M. Shiffman, Greenberg Traurig

Discussant: Nicolás Sánchez, College of the Holy Cross

Cuba and the Overseas Community

Cuba's Future Economic Crisis: The Aging Population and the Social Safety Net

Sergio Díaz-Briquets, Casals and Associates

Discussant: Lisandro Pérez, FIU

A Model of Family Remittances

Luis Locay, University of Miami

Discussant: Antonio Gayoso, Investment and Economics, LLC

Democratization and Migration: Cuba's Exodus and the Development of Civil Society—Hindrances or Help?

Silvia Pedraza, University of Michigan

Discussant: Enrique Pumar, William Patterson University

Criteria Económicos para una Constitución que Sustente una Economía de Mercado

Ramón Díaz, former President of the Central Bank, Uruguay, and past President

Mont Pelerin Society

Sectoral Issues

Energy in Cuba: Prospects in a Post-U.S. Sanctions Economy

Ronald Soligo and Amy Jaffe, Rice University

Discussant: Jonathan Benjamin-Alvarado, University of Nebraska

Action Plan for the Reconstruction of the Sugar Industry in Cuba

Pablo A. Carreño, Asociación Nacional de Hacendados de Cuba

Discussant: Berta Mexidor

Theoretical and Empirical Reflections on the Future of Cuban Agriculture

José Alvarez, University of Florida

Discussant: René Costales, IDB

Comparative Studies

Comparative Study of Health Care in Cuba and in the United States

Gloria Casal, M.D., Antonio A. Fernández, M.D., and Pedro F. Pellet, Nova Southeastern University

Discussant: Sergio Díaz-Briquets, Casals & Associates

Cuba in the Human Development Index in the 1990s: Decline, Rebound and Exclusion

Carmelo Mesa-Lago, University of Pittsburgh

Discussant: Efrén Córdova, FIU (retired)

The Vandalism of Fidel's Economic Policies: A Comparison of Cuba's and China's Economic Performance

Oscar Echevarría, GlobalExpand and Georgetown University

Discussant: Roger Betancourt, University of Maryland

Roundtable: Foreign Policy Development, with Emphasis on the Americas

Jaime Suchlicki, University of Miami

Juan del Aguila, Emory University

Félix Martín, Florida International University

Edward Gonzalez, UCLA Emeritus and member of Adjunct Staff, RAND

Roundtable: The Software Industry

Joel Font, Envision Technologies

Manuel Pérez Torres, MT1 Software

Ramón Barquín, Barquín International

Political Order and Transition

La estabilidad dinámica de las instituciones del estado cubano durante la crisis de transición

Benigno Aguirre, University of Delaware

Social Mechanisms and Political Order

Enrique Pumar, William Patterson University

Legal Dollars and Illegal Parties: The Political Logic of Cuba's Uneven Liberalization

Javier Corrales, Amherst College

Discussant: Holly Ackerman, University of Miami

Transition Issues

Cuba in an Unending Special Period

Jorge F. Pérez-López, U.S. Department of Labor

Discussant: Gary Maybarduk, U.S. Department of State

The Cuban Transition in the Light of the Lessons of Ten Years of Experience in the Former Soviet Bloc

Ernesto Betancourt, Consultant

Discussant: Marta Beatriz Roque, Instituto Cubano de Economistas Independientes

Social Entrepreneurship and Economic Development: Lessons for a Post-Castro Cuba

Fernando Alvarez, Berkley Center for Entrepreneurial Studies, NYU-Stern School of Business

Discussant: José Ramón de la Torre, Chapman School of Business, FIU

SESIÓN ESPECIAL

Renovaciones o Reincidencias: La Democracia Cubana en el Nuevo Siglo

Apertura

Carlos N. Quijano

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Rafael Rojas

Carlos Alberto Montaner

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