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Wyndham Grand Bay Hotel, Coconut Grove, Miami, Florida  
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## Conference Program

### Current Economic and Social Situation

Ernesto Hernández-Catá, ASCE President  
Archibald Ritter, Carleton University, Canada  
Phil Peters, Lexington Institute  
Brian Latell, Center for Strategic and International Studies  
Adolfo Franco, U.S. Agency for International Development

### Cuba's Future Exchange Rate System

Ernesto Hernández-Catá, Johns Hopkins University, SAIS  
Armando Linde, IMF  
Roberto Orro, H. Calero Consulting Group  
Jorge Sanguinety, DevTech Systems  
Alfie Ulloa, Universidad de Chile

### Tourism

The Three Cs of Tourism in the Caribbean: Context, Characteristics, and Consequences  
Art Padilla, NC State University  
Urban Planning and Tourism Development in Havana during the Special Period  
Andrea Colantonio, University of Reading, UK  
Discussants: Nicolás Crespo; Joseph Scarpaci, Virginia Tech

### Legal Issues: Migration, Transition, and Trade

Incentives for Legal Reform in Post-Communist Societies  
Jennifer Gauck, Criminal Law Reform Program, ABA/CEELI  
International Law and Other Considerations on the Repatriation of Cuban Balseros by the United States  
Maria Werlau, Orbis International  
The Trade Impact of a Free Cuba: Legal Considerations from the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce 2004  
Report  
Pedro A. Freyre, Akerman, Senterfitt & Eidson; Cuba Committee Co-Chairman, Great Miami Chamber of  
Commerce  
Discussants: Gustavo Arnavat, Hunton & Williams; Stephen Kimmerling, Esq.

## Special Topics

Disaster Relief in Cuba

Benigno Aguirre, University of Delaware

The Mariel Factor in Cuban Immigrant Adaptation to U.S. Society: A Comparison of the Socio-Economic and Political Adaptation of Three Cuban Immigrant Cohorts to the United States

Gastón Fernández, Indiana State University

Los Marielitos: Race, Class, Gender, Sexuality and Art in the 1980 Cuban Exodus

Silvia Pedraza, University of Michigan

Discussants: Sergio Díaz-Briquets, Casals and Associates; Guillermo Grenier, FIU

## Foreign Investment

Foreign Investment in Cuba: An Inventory

Jorge Pérez-López

The Current Situation of Foreign Investment in Cuba

Paolo Spadoni, University of Florida

Cat on a Hot Tin Roof: The Status of Foreign Joint Ventures in a Post-Transition Cuba

Matías Travieso-Díaz, Shaw Pitman LLP, Washington, D.C., and Armando Musa, Holland & Knight LLP, Miami, Florida

Discussants: María Werlau, Orbis International; Gustavo Arnavat, Hunton & Williams

## Poverty and Social Issues

Dollars and Racial Inequality: The Demise of Structural Equality in Cuba's Dual Economy

Sarah Blue, UCLA

Una Visión de las Reformas Necesarias para Lograr un Crecimiento Estable con Equidad y Así Superar la Situación de Empobrecimiento y Disparidades Sociales Existentes

Rolando Castañeda

Discussant: Katrin Hansing, Cuban Research Institute, FIU

## Politics and Government

Franco's Spain and Castro's Cuba: A Comparative Evaluation

Alfred Cuzán, University of West Florida

Who's On First?: The Struggle for Succession in Fidel Castro's Cuba

Dan Erikson, Inter-American Dialogue

Discussants: Brian Latell, CSIS; Jaime Suchlicki, Institute of Cuban and Cuban-American Studies, University of Miami

## Self-Employment in Cuba: A Ten-Year Appraisal

Between Ideology and Pragmatism: The Revolution and the Private Sector Before the Special Period, 1959-1990

Ted Henken, Baruch College

Today's Cuentapropistas: Numbers, Income, Economic Significance

Phil Peters, Lexington Institute

Cuba's Underground Economy

Archibald Ritter, Carleton University

Education and Labor Skills in Socialist Cuba

Roberto Orro Fernández, H. Calero Consulting Group

Discussant: Mauricio Font, City University of New York

## Value Orientations and Opinions of Recently Arrived Cubans

Andy S. Gomez, Special Assistant to the Provost and Senior Fellow, Institute of Cuban and Cuban-American Studies, University of Miami.

Eugenio Rothe, MD, University of Miami School of Medicine and Institute for Cuban and Cuban-American Studies, University of Miami

### **A Decade of Reforms in the Agricultural Sector and Food Markets**

The Sugarcane UBPCs Ten Years Later

José Alvarez, University of Florida

Agricultural Production Cooperatives: The Future of Cuban Agriculture?

Frederick S. Royce, University of Florida

Cuban Agriculture: To Be or Not to Be Organic

William E. Kost, U.S. Department of Agriculture, ERS

Discussants: William A. Messina, University of Florida; James Ross, University of Florida

### **Student Papers**

Stop Singing ‘Copacabana’ and Get Yourself to Havana: The Prospect of Cuban Tourism After the Fall of Castro

Irene Sánchez, Harvard University

Cuba’s Path to Market: Washington Consensus, Doi Moi, or Reforma á la cubana?

Chantal Agarwal, George Washington University and Lexington Institute

Cuba: A Decade of Economic Reforms—Balance and Perspectives

Orlando Justo, New School University

Discussants: Javier Corrales, Amherst College; María Dolores Espino, St. Thomas University; Roger Betancourt, University of Maryland.

### **Supporting Cuba’s Democrats**

Stephen Johnson, Heritage Foundation

### **Transition Issues**

Reforms of the Social Safety Net During the Cuban Transition

Lorenzo Pérez and Norman Hicks

The Role of the State during Transition: Cuba

Roger Betancourt, University of Maryland

Black-White Income Differentials Amongst Cubans and its Implication for the Transition

Carlos Seiglie, Rutgers University

Discussants: Ricardo Martínez; Luis Locay, University of Miami.

### **Civil Society and Social Transition’s Greatest Challenges I**

Civil Society in Cuba: Advancing through Moral Convictions and Public Connectedness

María P. Aristigueta, University of Delaware

Practical Humanitarian Challenges and Considerations on Both Sides of the Florida Straits

Eric Driggs, Cuba Transition Project/University of Miami

Civil Society, Social Capital, and the Economy: Preliminary Considerations Relevant to Cuba

María Dolores Espino and Jorge F. Pérez-López

Discussants: Andy S. Gomez, University of Miami; Benigno Aguirre, University of Delaware

### **Agriculture**

Varieties of Agricultural Land Tenure in Cuba: A Research Guide

Gary Maybarduk, United States Army War College

Importance and Role of the Agricultural Processing Subsector in the Economic Development of Less Developed Countries

José Ricardo

La industria azucarera cubana, el mundo del azúcar, y la transición

Juan Tomás Sánchez

Discussants: Antonio Gayoso; Felipe Manteiga.

### **Foreign Trade**

Trading with Cuba Based on Fundamentals Rather than Politics: Who Wins, Who Loses

William Trumbull, West Virginia University

U.S. Agribusiness Export Prospects to Cuba Under Three Scenarios

James Ross, University of Florida

Discussants: Tim Lynch, Florida State University; William Messina, University of Florida

### **Civil Society and Social Transition's Greatest Challenges II**

The Social and Human Services Sectors as Independent Institutions

Guarioné Díaz, Cuban American National Council

The Role of Volunteers and Building the Capacity of Independent NGOs

Julieta N. Valls and Dave Schmeling, FAVACA

NGOs Functioning as Social Service Providers: The Elderly Problem in Cuba--Recommended Ways to Deal with It

Pamela Elfenbein, Center for Aging, FIU

Discussant: Marc Wachtenheim, Pan American Development Foundation; Ricardo Puerta

### **Environment**

Argelio Maldonado

Eudel Cepero

René Costales

Larry Daley, Oregon State University

Sergio Díaz-Briquets

Frank Resillez

### **Cuban Transition Strategies and Assistance**

Lessons from Other Transitions: Implications for Cuba

Patrick M. Cronin, Center for Strategic and International Studies

Cuban Transition Strategies

Antonio Jorge, Florida International University

Carlos Saladrigas, Cuba Study Group

Jorge Sanguinety, DevTech Systems

Transition Strategies

Walter Bastian, U.S. Department of Commerce

Daniel Fisk, U.S. Department of State

Discussants: Ernesto Hernández-Catá and Carlos Quijano