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THE 22nd ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF THE CUBAN ECONOMY
WILL TAKE PLACE AUGUST 2-4 IN MIAMI

Where is Cuba Going?

The Association for the Study of the Cuban Economy (ASCE) will hold its 22nd Annual Conference at the Hilton Miami Downtown Hotel (1601 Biscayne Boulevard) from Thursday, August 2 through Saturday, August 4, 2012. The conference will focus on recent developments in the economic, political and social situation in Cuba and the challenges for the future. The overall theme is "Cuba's Evolving Socio-Economic and Political Landscape."

Approximately one-hundred economists, social scientists, and other experts from Cuba, the United States and other countries will present their work on the policy challenges facing Cuba, including: the ongoing political, social and economic changes; agricultural policies; banking, credit and tax policies; revisions to the civil code, property rights and foreign investment; labor conditions, self employment and micro enterprises; the Cuban Diaspora, remittances and private micro investments and tourism; health conditions, biotechnology and Cuban international medical missions; energy and petroleum; education; bloggers and the impact of the Internet; and Cuba-Venezuela relations.

Jorge Domínguez, Antonio M adero Professor for the Study of Mexico in the Department of Government, Vice Provost for International Affairs in The Office of the Provost at Harvard University will deliver the Ernesto Betancourt Keynote Address at the official conference luncheon on Friday. Accredited journalists are welcomed to attend the conference and the registration fee is waived (though the luncheon costs \$50).

The Association for the Study of the Cuban Economy is a non-profit, non-political organization incorporated in the state of Maryland in 1990 affiliated with the American Economic Association and the Allied Social Sciences Association. The primary mission of the Association is to study the transition to a free market economy and an open society in Cuba, as well as to promote scholarship, research, and make available publications by its members. ASCE supports a broad range of research which focuses primarily on economic developments but also pays due attention to the social, legal, demographic and environmental problems.

For information about [ASCE](http://www.ascecuba.org), the conference [program](#), and pre-registration forms please visit www.ascecuba.org or contact Joaquín Pujol at asce@ascecuba.org or jppujol342@aol.com.



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