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## **CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

## Panel Discussion: The Current Situation

José F. Alonso (USIA-OCB-Office of Research, Radio Martñ) Alvaro Alba (Consultant) Enrique Baloyra (University of Miami)

#### **Recent Economic Reforms in Cuba**

Markets, the State and Corruption in a Reform Process: Cuba Roger Betancourt (University of Maryland)
Julio Carranza and Pedro Monreal on Economic Change in Cuba: A Critique Ernesto Hernández-Catá (International Monetary Fund)
Institutional Requirements for Successful Market Reforms Luis Locay (University of Miami)
Coveting Beijing, but Imitating Moscow: Cuba's Economic Reforms in Perspective

Jorge F. Pérez-López (U.S. Department of Labor)

Evaluation of Changes in Economic Policy in Cuba Jorge Sanguinetty (DEVTECH, Inc.)

## Panel: The Trade Impact — Florida After a Free Cuba

Teo Babún (T. Babún Group)

## Trade, Investment, and Financial Markets

Financing the Economic Reconstruction of Cuba While Rebuilding the Financial Sector: Perspectives on Development Banking Manuel Lasaga (Strategic Information Analysis, Inc.)
Discussant: Ricardo C. Martínez (Inter-American Development Bank)
Banking in Transition Alberto Luzárraga (Amerinvest Corp.)
Discussant: Lorenzo L. Pérez (International Monetary Fund)

## Markets in the Cuba of Today and of the Future

Markets Redux: The Politics of Farmers' Markets in Cuba Juan Carlos Espinosa (University of Miami)
Discussant: Antonio Gayoso (World Council of Credit Unions)
On the New Economic Geography of Havana's Food and Paladar Markets Joseph L. Scarpaci (Virginia Tech University)
Discussant: Nicolás Crespo (Cuban Society of Tourism Professionals)
Small Business Development in Post-Transition Cuba Joseph M. Perry, Louis A. Woods, Jeffrey W. Steagall (University of North Florida)
Discussant: José M. Ruisanchez (World Bank, Retired)

## Macroeconomic and Fiscal Issues

A First Approximation Model of Money, Prices and Exchange Rates in Revolutionary Cuba José F. Alonso (Radio Martí) and Armando M. Lago (Consultant)
Discussant: Fernando Alvarez (Babson College)
La crisis de las finanzas públicas en Cuba Evaldo Cabarrouy (Universidad de Puerto Rico)
Discussant: Joaquín Pujol (International Monetary Fund)
The "New" Cuban Economic Model Rolando H. Castañeda and George Plinio Montalván (IDB)
Discussant: Jorge F. Pérez-López (U.S. Department of Labor)

## Legal Issues

Legal Policy for a Free Cuba: Lessons from the Civil Law Néstor Cruz, Esq. (Carr, Morris and Graeff, P.C.)
Discussant: Luis Figueroa, Esq.
The Present Legal Status of Property Rights in Cuba Juan Consuegra-Barquín, Esq. (Attorney in Private Practice)
Discussant: José M. Hernández (Georgetown University-retired)
Recommended Features of a Foreign Investment Code for Cuba's Free Market Transition Matias F. Travieso-Díaz, Esq. (Shaw, Pittman, Potts and Trowbridge)
Discussant: José D. Acosta, Esq. (OAS, retired)

## Luncheon Address

Mr. Xavier L. Suárez, Esq. (Shutts & Bowen, and former Mayor of Miami)

## **Expropriation and Privatization Issues**

Economic Factors in Selecting an Approach to Expropriation Claims in Cuba: Rolando Castañeda and George Plinio Montalván (IDB)
Discussant: Ralph Galliano (Institute for U.S.-Cuba Relations)
Restitution versus Compensation: Their Effects on the Pace of Privatization Luis Locay and Agdem Ural (University of Miami)
Discussant: Roger Betancourt (University of Maryland)
The Ethics Foundation of Private Property Alberto Martñnez-Piedra (Catholic University of America)
Discussant: José M. Hernández (Georgetown University-retired)

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## **Environment and Socioeconomic Indicators**

Cuba's Environmental Law Ralph Barba and Amparo E. Avella: (Environmental Site Assessments, Inc.) The Special Period and the Environment Sergio Díaz-Briquets (Casals and Associates) Statistical Comparison of Cuban Socioeconomic Development Jorge Luis Romeu (State College at Cortland, NY) Discussant: Armando M. Lago (Consultant)

## **Round Table on Sociological Issues**

The Achievements of the Cuban Revolution: Sociological and Psychological Costs Maida Donate (Sigma Dos, Madrid)

Cuba's Refugees: Manifold Migrations Sylvia Pedraza Bailey (University of Michigan)

Philosophical Inquiry and the Crisis of Cuban Public Life Robert Vichot (Florida International University)

El otro testimonio: literatura carcelaria en Cuba Rafael E. Saumell (Sam Houston University)

## Round Table on Banking Policies for a Democratic Cuba

Agustin Batista Falla (Asociación de Bancos de Cuba) Alberto Luzárraga (Amerinvest Corp.)

## Round Table Discussion on the Sugar Sector in Cuba

José F. Alonso (OCB, Radio Martñ, Office of Research) Alvaro Carta (Sugar Consultant) José E. Lima (IPS Consultants)

#### Sugar and Citrus Markets

The Transformation of the State Extensive Growth Model in Cuba's Sugarcane Agriculture José Alvarez (University of Florida) and Lazaro Peña (Centro de Investigaciones de la Economia Mundial, La Habana)
Discussant: José F. Alonso (OCB, Radio Martí, Office of Research)

Cuba and the International Sugar Market

Oscar Echevarría (EISCA)

Discussant: José Antonio Rivero (Amerop Sugar)

Cuban Citrus Production in a Post-Transition Economy

Joseph Perry, Louis Woods & Jeffrey Steagall (University of North Florida)

Discussant: William Messina (University of Florida)

## Round Table on the Status and Future Needs of Environmental Impact Assessments in Cuba

The Economic Dimension of EIA in the Transition from a Centrally Planned Economy to a Truly Participative Market Based Economic System

René Costales (Inter-American Development Bank)

Walter Arensberg (Center for International Development and Environment)

The Process of Environmental Impact Assessment in Cuba

Amparo Avella (Environmental Site Assessments, Inc.)

Lic. Amanda Barraza (Fundación Promar-Panamá)

Aspectos Esenciales sobre la Mitigación de los Desastres Naturales en Cuba José Carlos Lezcano (Meteorologist/Physical Geographer)

## **United States Policy Toward Cuba**

A Road Map for Restructuring U.S. Relations with Cuba C. Richard Nelson (The Atlantic Council)
Discussant: J. P. Rathbone (World Bank)
Background on the Potential Impact of the Helms/Burton Act on Castro's Rule over Cuba Ernesto Betancourt (International Development and Finance)
Discussant: Alfredo Cuzán (University of West Florida)
The Helms and Burton Bills: Myth and Reality Robert E. Freer, Jr., Esq. (Freer & McGarry)
Discussant: Pamela Falk (ex-Staff Director, House Inter-American Committee)

## **Transition and Other Issues**

Preliminary Analysis of Retirement Programs for the Personnel in the Ministry of the Armed Forces and the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Cuba
Ricardo Donate-Armada, A.S.A. (Towers Perrins Actuaries)
Issues of Legitimacy and Constitutionalism in the Cuban Transition Mario A. Rivera (The University of New Mexico)
Discussant: Roger Guerra (Georgian Court College)
Economic Education for a Market Economy: The Cuban Case Jorge Sanguinetty (DEVTEC Inc.)

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