PROGRAM

Mexico at a Crossroads: Learning from History, Facing the Future
El Colegio de México and the Center for Inter-American Policy and Research

Tulane University New Orleans
203 Stibbs Conference Room, LBC 2nd Floor, Uptown Campus
New Orleans, Louisiana
November 17-18, 2011

November 17
8:45 – 9:00 Arrival and Registration

9:00 – 9:30 Welcome and Introductory Remarks:
   Michael Bernstein (Provost, Tulane University)
   Javier Garciadiego (President, El Colegio de Mexico)

9:30 – 10:30 Panel 1
The Legacy of Independence and the Revolution

Some Consequences of the Independence of Mexico
Josefina Z. Vázquez, El Colegio de México
Revolution One Hundred Years Later
Javier Garciadiego, El Colegio de México

Discussant: Kris Lane, Tulane University
Chair: Thomas F. Reese, Tulane University

10:30 – 10:45 Break

10:45 – 12:15 Panel 2
Foreign Policy

Mexico’s Policy Towards Latin America: Facing Diversity
Ana Covarrubias, El Colegio de México
Mexico and U.S. Relations at a Crossroads: Challenges for the Next Mexican and U.S. Administrations
Gustavo Vega, El Colegio de México
Presentation Title TBA
Francisco Gonzalez, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies

Chair: Ludovico Feoli, Tulane University
12:30 – 2:00
Luncheon Keynote Address (Please note change of venue)
Ambassador Julián Ventura, Under Secretary for North America
Location: Kendall Cram Lecture Hall (Also on the 2nd Floor of the LBC Building)

2:30 – 4:00 Panel 3
Structural Change, Economic Growth and Equity: Part I

Why Mexico Isn´t Rich? Why should it be?
Gerardo Esquivel, El Colegio de México
Economic Performance, Inequality and Poverty: 1982-2010
Nora Lustig, Tulane University
Trade, Employment, and Wages: Effects of Regional and Global Integration on Mexican Manufacturing
Robert Blecker, American University

Chair: James Alm, Tulane University

4:00 – 5:30 Panel 4
Structural Change, Economic Growth and Equity: Part II

Telecommunications Regulation. Political Incentives
Alejandro Castañeda, El Colegio de México
The Impact of Economic Policy Changes on Mexico’s Rural Economy: 1985-2010
Isidro Soloaga, El Colegio de México

Discussant (for both panels): Rolando Cordera, Universidad Autónoma Nacional de México
Chair: Marco Castañeda, Tulane University

November 18

8:30 – 10:30 Panel 1
Demographic Change and Migration

Making Virtue Out of Necessity: Towards a New Generation of Migration Policies
Francisco Alba, El Colegio de México
U.S. Attempts to Control Mexican Migration, 1993-2011: What Have They Accomplished?
Wayne Cornelius, University of California at San Diego
Central American Immigration and Transmigration in Mexico: Current Trends and Debates
Manuel Angel Castillo, El Colegio de México
The Population of Mexico in the 21st Century
Manuel Ordorica, El Colegio de México

Chair: Aaron Schneider, Tulane University
10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 12:15 Panel 2

**Democracy and Elections**

- **The Dilemmas of Mexican Democracy**
  Jean-Francois Prud’homme, El Colegio de México

- **Political Participation and Electoral Preferences in Mexico: Towards the 2012 Election**
  Fernanda Somuano, El Colegio de México

- **Do Mexican Presidential Campaigns Make a Difference? Lessons from Prior Elections**
  Rod Camp, Claremont McKenna College

- **Effective Democracy? Political Competition, Party Attachments, and Vote Buying in Mexico**
  Sergio Béjar, Tulane University

  Discussant: Andrew Selee, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
  Chair: James Huck, Tulane University

12:15 – 2:15 Lunch
(1:15 – 2:15 Visit to Latin American Library)

2:15 – 3:15 Panel 3

**Security and Drug Trafficking**

- **Violence and Criminality in Mexico: An Analysis of Recent Trends**
  Arturo Alvarado, El Colegio de México

- **Can the U.S. Do Anything to Help?**
  Peter Hakim, Inter-American Dialogue

  Discussant: Eduardo Silva, Tulane University
  Chair: David Ortiz, Tulane University

3:30 – 5:00

**Keynote Address (Please note change of venue)**

**Openness and Growth in Mexico**
Jaime Serra-Puche, Former Minister of Trade and Treasury, Mexico

Speaker introduced by Scott Cowen, President, Tulane University
Location: Kendall Cram Lecture Hall (Also on the 2nd Floor of the LBC Building)