

PROGRAM

Mexico at a Crossroads: Learning from History, Facing the Future

El Colegio de México and the Center for Inter-American Policy and Research

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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 Garcíadiego (President, El Colegio de México)

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 Garcíadiego, 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)