The European Union and Regional Integration:
A Comparative Perspective and Lessons for the Americas

Friday, April 8, 2005

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7:00pm

Welcoming/Dinner Reception. Location to be announced.

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Location: Department of Psychology Seminar Room, Flipse Building, Parking, 5th Floor. Ponce de León Blvd.*

8:30-8:45 am  Registration

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Welcome: Jonathan West, Professor of Political Science, Interim Chair, Department of International Studies  
Joaquín Roy, Jean Monnet Professor, Director, EU Center, University of Miami  
Steve Stein, Professor of History, Director, Center for Latin American Studies

9:00 am - 10:00am

Session 1: NAFTA

Panel Chair: Bruce Bagley, University of Miami

Roberto Domínguez, University of Miami

Alejandro Chanona, National Autonomous University of Mexico
North America Security: A community or an identity?

Robert Pastor, American University
The Emergence and Future of North America

* All sessions and events will be held in the Department of Psychology Seminar Room, Flipse Building, Ponce Garage, 5th Floor, Ponce de Leon Blvd unless otherwise specifically noted.
10:15 am - 11:15am

Session 2: NAFTA/CAFTA

Panel Chair: **Steve Stein**, University of Miami

**Luis Rubio**, Center for Research and Development (CIDAC)
*Lesson from NAFTA: Perspectives for CAFTA*

**Fernando Rueda-Junquera**, University of Burgos
*The Evolution and Current State of Central American Integration*

**Eric Jacobstein**, Inter-American Dialogue
*The Politics of the Central American Free Trade Agreement*

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Session 3: Caribbean

Panel Chair: **Maurice Ferré**

**Joaquín Roy**, University of Miami
*The Caribbean in the ACP scope of the EU*

**Wendy Grenade**, University of Miami
*Exploring Regional Governance Within the Caribbean Community*

**David Hinds**, Arizona State University
*Internal Political Tribalism and Regional Integration in the Caribbean*

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Lunch
1:30 pm - 2:45 pm

Session 4: **MERCOSUR/Andean Community**

Panel Chair: **José María Lladós**, Argentine Council for International Relations (CARI)

**Aimee Kanner**, Florida Atlantic University
*Comparing Institutional Capacities of Regional Integration: The Andean Community and Mercosur*

**Félix Peña**, Tres de Febrero/CARI, Buenos Aires
*Growing importance of Mercosur as a Regional and Global Player*

**Marcos Guedes**, Federal University of Pernambuco
*Mercosur: Political Development and Comparative Issues with the European Union*

**Michel Levi**, Simón Bolivar University, Quito
*The Andean Community and the European Union Referent: Overview of the Application of Integration Models*

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Session 5: **Hemispheric Integration**

Panel Chair: **Manuel Montero**

**Ambler H. Moss**, University of Miami
*Reflections on the development and prospects of the FTAA*

**Jeffrey Schott**, Institute of International Economics
*Whither the FTAA?*

**Donald MacKay**, FOCAL, Canada
*Inter-American Integration: a Canadian View*
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Session 6: EU and the Americas

Panel Chair: Pedro Gomis-Porqueras, University of Miami

Armand De Mestral, McGill University
*The EU and its Impact on the International System:*
*The Case of International Air Transport*

Stephan Sberro, Institute of European Integration Studies
Technological Autonomous Institute of Mexico (ITAM)
*The European Union in the External Relations of Canada and Mexico: A Comparative Analysis*

Paolo Giordano, Inter-American Development Bank
*An Overall Analysis of Integration in the Americas:*
*The EU as Reference.*

5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Closing Roundtable and Remarks

7:30 pm

Closing dinner (by invitation). Location to be announced.
Directions to the UM Coral Gables Campus and Flipse Conference Room

Main University Campus, Stanford Drive, Coral Gables  
(305) 284-3266

Flipse Conference Room, Psychology Department (5th Floor Ponce Garage),  
5665 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Coral Gables  
(305) 284-2814

Directions from the Main University Campus: Walking from Stanford Circle, the main roundabout of the University’s campus, proceed towards the stoplight at the intersection of Stanford Drive and Ponce de Leon Blvd. At the light, make a right turn and walk straight along Ponce for about 5-10 minutes. The Ponce Garage will be on the right hand side (see attached map). It is also possible to take the Hurricane Shuttle: board the Shuttle at Stanford Circle and get off at the Ponce Garage stop.

Directions for Drivers: Heading southbound on US-1, pass alongside the University Metro station and make a right turn at South Alhambra Circle. Pass underneath the Metro rail and at the stoplight, continue straight into the parking lot. Let the security guard downstairs know that you are participating in a conference taking place in the Psychology Department and then drive up through the parking lot and park on the 5th floor roof lot. There is a direct access door from the 5th floor lot to the Psychology Department and the conference room.