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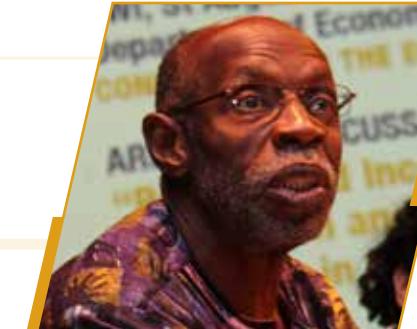
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DR. RALPH
HENRY

Dr. Ralph Henry spent a number of years as a public servant before joining the Department of Economics in 1980, where he remained until 1998.

His research interest in poverty and inequality, which started when he was attached to the Ministry of Planning and Development, continued in the Department. While at the Department he taught Development Economics, Labour Economics, and Economics of Human Resources. He also developed a course in the Economics of Culture, which was first taught at St. Augustine Campus.

Dr. Henry was also instrumental in the development of a foreign language component, which became a co-requirement of the Masters Programme in Economics at the time. He encouraged outreach for the Department, which took the form of short programmes during the vacation period for personnel in the public and private sectors throughout the Region. He also encouraged enrolment of students from Africa and Asia in the graduate programme.

He was one of the founding members of the Latin American Desk, which brought together staff members of the Campus who had an interest in deepening contacts with our Latin American neighbours. The desk has since matured into the Centre for Latin America and the Caribbean (CENLAC). Since leaving to work as a consultant with Kairi Consultants Ltd, he has continued to collaborate with the Department of Economics, including advising graduate students and providing attachments for them to secure practical experience as Economists in Kairi Consultants. He is now well known for research in the area of poverty in the Caribbean.

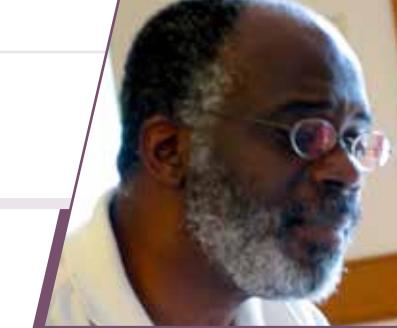
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BIOGRAPHY

DR. EURIC BOBB



Dr. Euric Bobb attended Presentation College, San Fernando where he won the Jerningham Silver Medal in 1960 and the Island Scholarship for Modern Studies in 1962. He read Economics at Sidney Sussex College, University of Cambridge, where he graduated with B.A. (Hons.) in 1966 and completed a Ph.D. in 1970.

Dr. Bobb worked as an Economist at the World Bank from 1969 to 1978, including an assignment from 1974 to 1977 as Economic Advisor to the Ministry of Planning in Liberia. He returned to Trinidad and Tobago in February 1978 as Deputy Governor of the Central Bank and served as its Governor from August 1984 to February 1988 when he resigned and joined the staff of the Inter-American Development Bank as a Division Chief and Associate Treasurer. Between 1989 and 1994 he was Deputy Manager with primary responsibility for programming, developing and supervising the implementation of lending and technical assistance programs in the Bahamas, Barbados, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guyana, Jamaica, Mexico, Peru and Venezuela. From late 1994 to retirement in October 2005 he served as Chief of Staff to the President of the IDB. Since November 2008 he has been a Director of BCB Holdings Limited and its subsidiary companies, Belize Bank Limited and Belize Bank International Limited.

While an undergraduate at Cambridge, Dr. Bobb was twice ranked among the top five quarter-milers in the United Kingdom, represented the Combined British Universities and was awarded a "blue" for competition against traditional rivals Oxford University. He was a member of the Trinidad and Tobago team that placed sixth in the final of the 4 x 400 meters relay at the Olympic Games in Mexico City (1968).

In 1994, Dr. Bobb was awarded the Chaconia Medal (Gold) for meritorious public service to Trinidad and Tobago.

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Day 1 10th October 2013

9:00am – 10:10am	Opening Ceremony – Chair, Dr. Marlene Attzs National Anthem Welcome – Mr. Martin Franklin, Head, Department of Economics
	Greetings – Prof. Clement Sankat, PVC and Principal, UWI, St Augustine
	Feature Speaker – Dr. Euric Bobb - Former Governor of the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation of Prizes – COTE Essay Competition, Secondary School Debate Competition and Undergraduate Debate Competition• Photo Opportunity
	Presentation of Appreciation Award to Dr Ralph Henry
10:10am – 10:30am	BREAK
10:40am – 12:10pm	Session 1: Review of the Economy
10:30am – 12:00pm	Chair – Mr. Gregory McGuire <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Burt van Selm – International Monetary Fund (IMF)• Mr. Michael Hendrickson – United Nations Economic Commission to Latin America and the Caribbean (UNECLAC)• Dr. Roger Hosein – Department of Economics, UWI• Discussion
12:00pm – 1:00pm	LUNCH
1:00pm – 1:40pm	Viewing of Poster Presentations
	Session 2: Poverty & Income Distribution
1:40pm – 2:45pm	Chair – Dr. Daren Conrad <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Dylan Kerrigan – Prejudice against the poor• Mr. Timothy Woolford & Mr. Martin Franklin – Meaning and Measurement of Social Cohesion in a Caribbean Context• Mr. Keron Victor & Dr. Ralph Henry – Urbanization and Entrepreneurship in the African Diaspora in the US and Caribbean• Discussion

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Session 3: Health & Poverty

2:45pm – 4:05pm	Chair – Mrs. Patricia Edwards-Wescott <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Henry Bailey & Dr. Althea La Foucade – Rationing in Healthcare – Whether We Know it or Not. The Case for Explicit Prioritization.• Mrs. Roxanne Brizan & Dr. Althea La Foucade – Healthcare Access Inequities: Multi-Island Micro Caribbean States.• Prof. Karl Theodore & Ms. Charmaine Metivier – Chronic Disease Assistance Programmes in Trinidad and Tobago: Stakeholders' Perspective.• Dr. Henry Bailey – A Cost Utility Analysis Framework for Prioritization of Health Programmes: Based on Societal Preferences from Trinidad and Tobago.• Discussion
LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE UWI	EVENING SESSION – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
6.30- 8.30pm	ARMCHAIR DISCUSSION 1: Issues in Population and Development (Open to General Public) Chair – Mr. Roger Mclean National Anthem <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mrs. Dianne Quarless – United Nations Economic Commission to Latin America and the Caribbean (UNECLAC)• Mrs. Donna De Costa Martinez – Family Planning Association of Trinidad and Tobago• Mrs. Terry Ann Atkins-Huggins – Ministry of Planning & Sustainable Development• Closing Comments – Mr. Martin Franklin Close of DAY 1

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Day 2 11th October 2013

9:00am – 9:15am

Presentation of Prizes for Poster Competition

Session 4: Education & Human Resource Development

9:15am – 10:20am

Chair – Ms. Vanessa Baird

- Dr. Nicole Smith – Center for Education and the Workforce at Georgetown University.
- Representative – Caribbean Examination Council
- Representative – Ministry of Education
- Discussant – Dr. Daren Conrad, Ms. Kimerlee Soo Ting
- Discussion

10:20am – 10:40am

BREAK

Session 5: Poverty & Sustainable Livelihood

10:40am – 11:45am

Chair – Dr. Kevin Williams

- Mr. Sean Scott & Dr. Roger Hosein – Community Based Ecotourism and Poverty Alleviation in Grande Riviere
- Ms. Sherry Ann Ganase & Dr. Sandra Sookram – Assessing The Vulnerability Level In Coastal Communities In The Caribbean: A Case Study of San Pedro, Belize
- Ms. Donna Ramjattan – The Poverty-Environment Nexus in the context of two Caribbean islands
- Discussant – Dr. Marlene Attzs
- Discussion

11:45am – 12:45pm

LUNCH

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2:15pm – 3:35pm

Session 6: Pursuing Diversification in an Export-Led Development Thrust

Chair – Dr. Regan Deonanan

- Ms. Aisha Stewart – Export Potential of the Services Sector
- Ms. Elizabeth Ince & Dr. Roger Hosein – The Dutch Disease and Domestic Agriculture - Food Security in a small petroleum exporting economy
- Mrs. Indera Sagewan Ali – Doing Diversification Differently
- Discussion

2:15pm – 3:35pm

Session 7: Deepening Caribbean Regional Integration in the Eclipse of the North Atlantic

Chair – Dr. Anne Marie Mohammed

- Dr. Regan Deonanan – Business Cycle Symmetry in the Caribbean - Is CSME a feasible Optimum Currency Area
- Ms. Ranita Seecharan & Dr. Roger Hosein – An assessment of CARICOM's extra regional intra industry trade (IIT): A panel data approach
- Dr. Annita Montoute – Shifting relations, New players: The Future of Caribbean Regional Integration"
- Discussion

3:35pm – 4:00pm

Vote of Thanks

Close of DAY 2

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