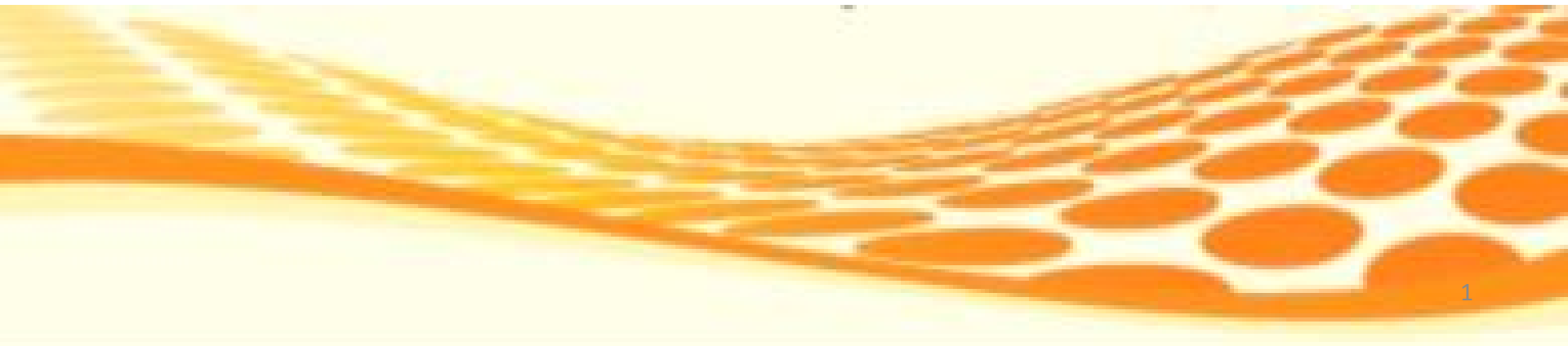


DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, UWI, ST AUGUSTINE CAMPUS

COTE 2014

SPONSORSHIP PRESENTATION



VISION & MISSION

Vision

For Caribbean people to recognise the UWI Economics Department as being in their corner through our ability to understand, anticipate and offer solutions to economic problems in the Caribbean.

Mission

To deliver quality research, training, outreach and dissemination of knowledge in the Economics of Development in Small Island Developing States in a user friendly environment.

Activities

- Undergraduate Programs – B. Sc. Major; B.Sc. Special
- Postgraduate Programs – M.Sc. Economics; M.Sc. Financial Economics (first offering 2014/15)
- Research Programs – M. Phil & Ph.D. Economics
- Research - Individual/TEDU/SEDU/LMPSU/HEU
- Outreach to our various publics

Background to COTE

- COTE was conceptualised in 2007 under the leadership of the late Prof. Dennis Pantin; a vehicle for the DOE to engage the wider community in areas of economics and development.
- COTE 2007 & 2008 - The Economy of T&T and in particular, recommendations for consideration by the Minister of Finance for the T&T National Budget 2008.
- COTE 2009 & 2010 - shift in focus to issues of the transformation of Caribbean economies (these issues assumed urgency with the advent of the global financial crisis).
- COTE 2011 - Managing for Development in a Volatile Economic Environment: Addressing the Challenges before us

Background to COTE (cont'd)

- COTE 2012 was motivated by the observance of the 50th anniversary of independence in both T&T and Jamaica. The conference looked back at our experiences as Caribbean countries in managing our economies for development over the first 50 years of independence with a view to identifying the lessons learnt and suggesting a way forward.
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- COTE 2013 - Managing for Development in Caribbean Economies: Addressing the Challenge of Poverty and Inequality.
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- COTE 2014 (our 8th conference) will focus on 'Addressing Contemporary Local and Regional Challenges for Sustainable Development'.

Growth & Scheduling of COTE

- COTE has experienced growth and increased recognition over the past 7 years since its inception locally and regionally
- Participation from our sister Departments of Economics in Cave Hill & Mona; the Anton De Kom University of Suriname; the University of Guyana; CEREGMIA, Universite' des Antilles et de la Guyane, Martinique; academics & research students of Caribbean origin attached to universities in UK, USA and Canada.
- COTE is now a fixture on the UWI Calendar for the first week of October
- Conference period - two and a half days

COTE Honorees

One feature of the conference is the practice of honouring the scholarship and service of former HODs.

- COTE2008 Dr. Trevor Farrell 1985-1987
- COTE2010 Dr. Roy Thomas 1982-1985
- COTE2011 Prof. Compton Bourne 1987-1990
- COTE2012 Dr. Eric St Cyr 1968-1971 & 1977-1982
- COTE2013 Dr. Ralph Henry 1990-1994
- COTE2014 Prof. Dennis Pantin 1994-1999 and 2006-2009

Every effort is made to link the conference theme to the research thrust of the honoree.

Feature Speakers

- COTE 2008 Sir Courtenay Blackman, Former Governor of the Central Bank of Barbados
- COTE2009 Dr Alvin Hilaire, Central Bank of Trinidad & Tobago
- COTE2010 Prof Compton Bourne, then President of CDB
- COTE2011 Sir Dwight Venner, Governor of ECCB
- COTE2012 Mr Ewart Williams, Former Governor of the Central Bank
- COTE2013 Dr Euric Bobb, Former Governor of the Central Bank
- COTE2014 Prof Emeriti Kari Levitt

Conference Content & Activities

- This conference recognizes the imperative for the University to maintain a dialogue between academia and the wider community.
- The conference programme included for the first time in COTE 2012 **two evening panel discussions that were free to the public.**
- One panel looked at Education and Workplace Development and the other will discuss Civil Society and Social Economics.
- This has continued into what is now called “Arm Chair Discussions”

Conference Content & Activities (cont'd)

- The conference programme also includes:
 - a **poster competition** for our graduating M Sc students to display their research work
 - a **poster competition** for schools that offer Economics at the Sixth Form
- As a precursor to the conference proceedings, we host the following:
 - A **debate for secondary school students**
 - A **debate for Undergraduate Students** of Economics and International Relations
 - An **essay competition for Sixth Form Economics Students**

Uniqueness of COTE

- The only forum that brings together the following groups to participate in the sharing of research output that is linked to economic and developmental challenges within local and regional economies:
 - academics & policy makers
 - financial institutions & tertiary level students
 - sixth form students of Economics
 - public servants & members of private sector firms
 - the labour movement and members of civil society.

COTE 2014

- 'Addressing Contemporary Local and Regional Challenges for Sustainable Development'.
- The conference provides the DOE with its first real opportunity to celebrate the contribution of Professor Dennis Pantin to UWI and Caribbean economics.
- COTE2014 opens on the evening of Wednesday 08 October 2014 with the **Inaugural Dennis Pantin Memorial Lecture**. Feature Speaker is Professor Emeriti Kari Levitt.

COTE 2014 (cont'd)

- Pre-conference Activities include:
 - The Evening Armchair Discussion on Governance and Constitutional Reform;
 - The Secondary Schools debate competition;
 - The Undergraduate Students Debate Competition;
 - The Secondary Schools Essay Competition
- In addition to the thematic presentations, the main conference will also feature:
 - A Youth Panel
 - The Secondary Schools Poster Competition
 - The M.Sc. Graduates Poster Competition

Benefits of COTE

- Excellent Feature Addresses ; an opportunity for the wider community to hear from these experts in the field
- A forum for disseminating to our various publics the research output of our academic staff, our research units, our research students and our M Sc. Graduates
- A facilitating environment for our academic staff, our research units, our research students and our M Sc. Graduates to receive feedback on their research and to gain insights that would guide and inform new research to inform policy and programmes across all sectors
- An opportunity for our undergraduate students and secondary school students pursuing CAPE Economics to get a glimpse of the application of economic theory to contemporary problems in our economies

Benefits of COTE (cont'd)

- Enlightened dialogue between academia, technocrats and civil society at both the main conference as well as our evening panel discussions
- An MOU between the DOE and Host Institutions for M.Sc. Internships & An increase in institutions that are willing to host our finalising M.Sc. Students for their Internship
- Improved Debating Skills among Secondary School students, our own students and more recently, Students at USC
- Improved Essay writing skills among Secondary School students

Professor Dennis Pantin

- Served the UWI for three decades
- Active Member of the Association of Caribbean Economists (ACE) [Economists from the wider Caribbean – including Cuba, PR and Haiti]
- Founder & Coordinator of the Sustainable Economic Development Unit (SEDU)
- Extensive Public Service including Chairman of the RIC; Founder & Chairperson of the CRF; Adviser to the Trade Union Movement; EMA; Civil Society Organisations (T&T/GND/SLU); the Media

Professor Dennis Pantin (cont'd)

- “Dennis Pantin was one of the most brilliant, original and public-spirited economists to come out of the Caribbean region. His contributions to economic analysis and policy in the subject areas of resource-based industrialisation, debt and structural adjustment, industrial policy, development policy, and above all sustainable development, have made a permanent mark on the intellectual landscape of Caribbean economics,” Norman Girvan, 13 July 2010.
- Part of his legacy is the collection of approximately 200 publications which he either edited or authored and in the intellectual rigour that he brought to bear in his work.

Professor Dennis Pantin (cont'd)

His publications can be categorised under the following themes:

- Trinidad and Tobago Economy
- Sustainable Development and Resource Use
- Technology and Industrial Policy
- Caribbean Economy and Caribbean Economics
- Governance including Transparency and Constitutional Reform

These will therefore form the thematic areas to be addressed by the five panels of presenters during the two working days of COTE2014 (i.e. 9th and 10th October 2014)

Professor Dennis Pantin (cont'd)

- The late Prof Norman Girvan encouraged the DOE to locate hard copies of all of Dennis Pantin's works and write an annotation for each work.
- We have succeeded in locating 65% of his works.
- It is our intention to launch the publication comprised of the annotations for this subset of his works during COTE2014.

Benefits of Investing in COTE 2014

- Opportunity to promote your brand and broaden your reach to a wide cross section of academics, technocrats, public sector, private sector and civil society groups , as well as students
- Opportunity to have representatives of your establishment attend and be a part of COTE
 - Opportunities for further networking with the attendees at the Conference
- Opportunity to forge a relationship with the Department of Economics and by extension the wider Faculty of Social Sciences to develop areas and programmes that can be beneficial to your agency's needs (training, research, outreach, etc)

Platinum Level/ Panel Sponsor - \$30,000 and higher

- Logo on Conference bag/folder
- Logo on Website
- Logo on Multimedia background image – to be featured in all events
- Logo on Event Programmes - to be featured in all events
- Logo on Press Advertisements
- Five (5) places for your representatives at the main conference.
- Companies are allowed to provide a vertical banner to be placed on the stage of all events
- Companies are advised to provide company brochures or promotional material to maximize exposure **deadline** for delivery to the Department by 26th September

Gold Level - \$25,000

- Acknowledgement on Conference Website
- Logo on Multimedia background image – to be featured in Main Conference
- Logo on Event Programmes - to be featured in Main Conference
- Logo on Press Advertisements – Main Conference
- Five (5) places for your representatives at the main conference.
- Companies are allowed to provide a vertical banner to be placed on the stage of the Main Conference
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Silver Level - \$15,000

- Acknowledgement in the conference programme – to be featured in Main Conference
- Acknowledgement on Conference Website.
- Five (5) places for your representatives at the main conference.
- Companies are allowed to provide a vertical banner to be placed in the venue of the Main Conference
- Companies are advised to provide company brochures or promotional material to maximize exposure **deadline** for delivery to the Department by 26th September

Arm Chair Discussion - \$15,000

An Evening Discussion on Constitutional Reform - Panel will include Experts and Public Figures

- Acknowledgement on Conference Website
- Logo on Multimedia background image –Arm Chair Discussion
- Logo on Event Programme
- Logo on Press Advertisements
- Five (5) places for your representatives at the main conference
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Thanks for your attention

