

How Many Caribbeans in the Second Decade of the 21st Century? vulnerable? resilient? informal and/or illegal?

This presentation adopts an interdisciplinary 'transnational' framework to consider different definitions of the contemporary Caribbean: transnational families, civil societies, supply chains, crime networks & governance responses. Aside from regional perspectives, it considers insights drawn from literatures on the varieties of states/capitalisms/civil societies & on comparative studies of emerging economies/societies/powers. These inform policy development at local, regional & global levels in the new decade, especially in response to the uneven impacts of both globalizations & recent crises.

T&T as a Democratic Developmental Island State...by 2020?

- Juxtaposition of perspectives/disciplines/ debates/ projections?
- Varieties of capitalisms/companies/civil societies?
- From 'developmental state' to 'resource curse'? From LNG to gangs/guns?
- Which 'globalizations'? What 'transnationalisms'?
- Formal & informal democracies?

T&T: how many sectors/economies?

- formal versus informal?
- legal versus illegal?
- national versus diasporic?
- which Caribbean: micro versus macro?
- who's regional/energy governance?
- start second decade of 21st century: which sectors? why?
costs & benefits: whose?
- emerging economies/states/societies: how compatible?
- coalition politics/divided societies/decisive economics?