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DIRECTOR’S REPORT

W. Andy Knight, Ph.D., FRSC
Director

ACADEMIC YEAR 2012/2013

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DIRECTOR’S REPORT ON THE INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
FOR PERIOD 1st AUGUST, 2012 TO 31st JULY, 2013,
ACADEMIC YEAR 2012/2013

The Institute of International Relations at The University of the West Indies is a regional, autonomous academic institution at the St. Augustine Campus, with associate fellows at the Mona and Cave Hill Campuses, and within other organizations. Since its founding in 1966, the Institute has been dedicated to the conduct of advanced research and teaching concerning the international challenges of the contemporary world, with special emphasis upon the Caribbean and Latin American regions. As a vital part of the infrastructure for its teaching and research, the Institute has developed a Library that constitutes the prime information resource in the world, regarding the international relations of the Caribbean. The Institute of International Relations meets related regional and national human resource development needs by offering short intensive modular training programs, for Foreign Ministry as well as private sector personnel. The Institute also offers international policy research and advisory services, and business environment assessment consultancies.

MISSION OF THE INSTITUTE

The mission of the Institute of International Relations is to enhance understanding of Caribbean international relations, applying multidisciplinary perspectives, while contributing to related regional and national human resource development needs. The Institute houses the most comprehensive collection of information resources in the world on the international relations of the Caribbean. The Institute of International Relations offers excellent research, teaching and consultative assistance to all stakeholders. The Institute organizes, sponsors or co-sponsors workshops, conferences and seminars relevant to the international challenges of the region, and publishes the Caribbean Journal of International Relations and Diplomacy.
VISION OF THE INSTITUTE

The Institute of International Relations will bring the expertise and energies of all international relations academic staff within The University of the West Indies, as well as those of selected Associate Fellows located elsewhere, to bear effectively upon the needs of the Caribbean region’s public and private sectors for excellent research, teaching, consultancy and training, concerning the region’s international challenge and opportunities, within multidisciplinary fields ranging from finance, business and management to politics, history, economics, education, and law.
INTRODUCTION
STAFFING – ACADEMIC MATTERS


New Appointments – Professor W. Andy Knight, Director

The Institute of International Relations takes pleasure in welcoming an internationally renowned scholar in the field of global governance - Professor W. Andy Knight, as Director of the Institute with effect from January, 2013. Professor Knight, previously Head of the Department of Political Science, University of Alberta and currently on secondment from that university, was appointed by The University of the West Indies to head the Institute for a three-year period from January, 2013.

His appointment at the Institute is enriched not only because of his distinguished academic and scholarly career in Canada, but also by virtue of him being a part of the Caribbean diaspora having been born in Barbados.

Professor Knight’s work has earned him the title of Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada which is the highest honour conferred to Canadian academics. He currently serves as Advisory Board Member of the World Economic Forum’s Global Agenda Council on the Welfare of Children. He brings to the Institute his experience of being Governor of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) from 2007 to 2012 and Vice Chair of the Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS).

There is no doubt that his expertise in the fields of international relations, international law, global governance and contemporary multilateralism coupled with his analytical skills would redound to the benefit the not only the Institute of International Relations, but to The University of the West Indies.

Change of Appointment – Dr. Anthony Peter Gonzales, Interim Director

The Institute records with gratitude, the service of Dr. Anthony Peter Gonzales, who accepted the call of The University of the West Indies to guide the helm of Institute of International Relations during the 2011/2012 Academic Year following the departure of Professor Timothy Shaw in June, 2011.

Dr. Gonzales worked tirelessly and produced to ensure that all academic procedures were followed. He devised a strategic plan which, together with his stringent work programmes, sought to boost productivity of staff and students alike during the 2011/2012 academic year. The plan saw the fruition of goals and a successful handing over of the Institute to Professor W. Andy Knight who assumed duty as Director of the Institute from January, 2013.

During his term in office, Dr. Gonzales readily accepted the mantle of offering a Specialised Seminar to Postgraduate Diploma in International Relations students which was necessary in 2011/2012 when he took-over the seminar which was being offered by Mr. Henry Gill (1942-2013). The title of the Specialised Seminar being taught by Dr. Gonzales in 2012/2013 to Postgraduate Diploma in International Relations students is “Political Economy of Latin American Development and Integration in Latin America”
Resumption of Duty

1-April-2013

Ms. Tamara Brathwaite, Librarian – The Institute of International Relations welcomes Ms. Brathwaite back to the IIR Library following a period of secondment at the Alma Jordan Library

Renewal of Contracts

Dr. Annita Montoute, Lecturer, International Relations for period:


CONDOLENCES

The Institute regrets the loss of Mr. Henry Gill

(14-Mar-1942 – 14-Feb-2013).

Mr. Gill served from December 1974 to January 1983 as Research Fellow (tenured) at the Institute of International Relations, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine. His focus was mainly on foreign policy, international trade, regional integration and Latin American issues. He served two successive terms as Vice-President of the West Indies Group of University Teachers (WIGUT) before leaving IIR, UWI in January, 1983.
ACADEMIC STAFF LISTING 2012/2013

W. Andy Knight, Director
Hon BA, MA, PhD, FRSC

Marlon Anatol, Lecturer
MSc, PhD

Matthew Bishop, Lecturer
BA (Hons French & Politics); MA (Res. Meth in Pol. & IR), PhD (Dev./Intl. Pol. Economy) Univ. of Sheffield

Tamara Brathwaite, Librarian
B.A. UWI Library and Information Studies (First Class Hons), PG Dip in IR, IIR-UWI, M.A., University College of London

Solange Cross-Mike, Instructor
BA, Dip. (Int’l Relns.) UWI; Dip. (Info.Tech and Dip) Malta; MA. (Intl Studies) Reading Diplomacy

Cherill Farrell, Librarian
BA, PG Dip. Library and Information Studies, UWI

Norman Girvan, Professor Emeritus
B.Sc (Economics) London-University College of the West Indies, PhD (Intl.Economics) London School of Economics

Anthony Gonzales, Interim Director to 31st December, 2012
BA, Dip (Int’l Relns.) UWI; PhD, Geneva

Raymond Mark Kirton, Senior Lecturer
B.A., University of Guyana, M.Sc., Georgetown University Washington, D.C., Diploma, Iberian Studies, University of Lisbon, PhD. University of Texas, Austin Latin American Studies
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STAFF

ACADEMIC STAFF LISTING 2012/2013 (Continued)

Vaughan Lewis, Professor Emeritus
BA., MA., PhD., Manchester
International Relations of the Caribbean

Debbie Mohammed, Lecturer
International Trade

Annita Montoute, Lecturer, BA, Postgraduate Diploma in International Relations (Dist.), IIR-UWI, PhD (IR) UWI

Ramesh Ramsaran, Professor Emeritus
Ph.D (Econ) U.W.I - International Economics

Michele Reis, Lecturer
PhD (IR)

Michelle Scobie, Lecturer
LLb.(Hons), LEC., Dipl. Int. Rel. (Hons), PhD

Joy Smith, Librarian – to 31st March, 2013
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STAFF

ACADEMIC STAFF LISTING 2012/2013 (Continued)

Honorary Senior Research Fellows

Johann Geiser – PhD (1972-1974)
Rosina Wiltshire – PhD (1978-1988)
Anthony Bryan – Professor (Director 1980-1991)

Associate Staff

James Bukari – PhD
Maria Landa - PhD
Mahindra Ramesh Ramdeen – MSc
Godfrey St. Bernard – PhD
Major General Edmund Dillon – MSc
RESEARCH INTERESTS

BRATHWAITE, Tamara
- Information literacy, user services

CROSS-MIKE, Solange
- Small State Diplomacy
- The role of Information and Communications (ICT) in diplomacy.
- The use of Internet and Group-ware and emerging technologies in instructional design and higher education, On-line teaching
- The development of Computer-Mediated Distance Learning Programmes at the Institute.

KNIGHT, W. Andy
- International Relations
- International Law
- Global Governance
- Contemporary Multilateralism
- Global Security

MOHAMMED, Debbie
- Caribbean Competitiveness
- Global Value Chain and cluster mapping.
- Economic Diversification
- Trade Policy
- Economic Diversification
- Small state development

MONTOUTE, Annita
- Governance and civil society participation in trade and development policy
- Crime and Security, in particular private security and security and development
- Emerging players in the global economy

SCOBIE, Michelle
- International Law, international economic law, ethics and justice
- Governance and ethics; Global environmental politics
- Governance: good governance, international, multilateral, regional governance and new forms of governance; role of transnational companies and governance
- Regional Maritime Governance- with particular interest in the Caribbean Region
- Environment and governance; environment and international law
- Environment and - trade, tourism, sustainable development, small states, regional governance
PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

ANATOL, Marlon

Editor, IIR Today
Responsible for the editing, formatting and publication of the academic journal. Additionally responsible for the editing of the “World Today”, a weekly scholarly column in the Sunday Newsday.

Department for International Development (DFID) – Regional Integration Project 2011
Part of the management team that carried out research in all CARICOM territories to determine the levels of integration that exists, as well as the perception of the success and limitations of the Caribbean Integration movement. Additionally the project sought to identify the roles that can be played by the stakeholders in the Integration movement.

CROSS-MIKE, Solange
IIR Website Coordinator.

MOHAMMED, Debbie

- Coordinator- Graduate Diploma Programme
- Member – Trinidad & Tobago Transparency Institute (TTTI)
- Member- Cabinet Appointed Steering Committee –Trinidad and Tobago Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (TTEITI)
- UWI Representative-
  - Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) of the Ministry of Trade, Industry & Investment.
  - Trade Related Issues (TRI) Sub Committee of Ministry of Trade, Industry & Investment
  - Business and Labour Advisory Committee (BLAC) of the CSME-Trinidad & Tobago Focal Point
- Member- Vice Chancellor’s team to represent the UWI at a Caribbean Growth Forum- Jamaica -2012
- Member -Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) -Research Support Group on the CSME
Member- (CDB) - Research Group on Knowledge Management
Associate– Caribbean Centre for Competitiveness.
Member- International Studies Association (ISA) & member Global South Caucus
Member- Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)
Member- Caribbean Association for Feminist Research and Action (CAFRA)

MONTOUTE, Annita

2011 – Coordinated the ECDPM – IIR Workshop, The Joint Caribbean EU Strategy: Reflections and Analysis, Institute of International Relations, UWI

2010 – 2013: Coordinates the internship and mentorship programme

Member of the Women’s Institute for Alternative Development (WINAD)

Member of the National Working Committee on Trade

Participates in the Technical Coordinating Committee at the Ministry of Trade Trinidad and Tobago

Member, Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)

SCOBIE, Michelle

Member, International Studies Association (ISA)

Member, Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)

Research Fellow- Earth System Governance Project- The Earth System Governance Project is the largest social science research network in the area of governance and global environmental change.
STAFF PROFILES

KNIGHT, W. ANDY, PhD, FRSC

Dr. W. Andy Knight is Director of the Institute of International Relations (IIR) at The University of the West Indies and Professor and former Chair of the Department of Political Science at the University of Alberta.

He serves as Advisory Board Member of the World Economic Forum’s Global Agenda Council on the Welfare of Children and was a Governor of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) from 2007 to 2012. Professor Knight co-edited Global Governance journal from 2000 to 2005 and was Vice Chair of the Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS).

Knight has written and edited several books, book chapters and journal articles on various aspects of multilateralism, global governance and peace, and United Nations reform.

His recent books include: The Routledge Handbook of the Responsibility to Protect (with Frazer Egerton) – Routledge 2012; Towards the Dignity of Difference?: Neither 'end of History' Nor 'clash of Civilizations' (with Mojtaba Mahdavi) – Ashgate 2012; and Global Politics (with Tom Keating) – Oxford University Press 2010. Professor Knight is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

ACTIVITIES OF THE DIRECTOR AND THE IIR

8 May 2013
Director represented IIR at the Caribbean Growth Forum, Hyatt Hotel, Port-of-Spain

8 May 2013
Director and Hans Geiser met with the Swiss Ambassador to discuss Swiss funding of proposed workshop on Human Rights and Sustainable Development for the Southern Caribbean. Hyatt Hotel, Port-of-Spain. Workshop to be held in Suriname.
ACTIVITIES OF THE DIRECTOR AND OF THE IIR (Continued)

8 & 9 May 2013
OAS meeting, Bridgetown, Barbados. Mark Kirton represented the IIR at the Regional Forum on Strengthening Regulations of Political Parties and Political Financial Systems in the Caribbean

9 May 2013
Director to attend Europe Day reception at Movie Towne Casablanca Ballroom.

13 May 2013
Meeting with Dr. Janice Stein, Director of the Munk School of Global Affairs at the University of Toronto to discuss linkages between the Munk and IIR

13 May 2013
Meeting with Jean Label, Stephen McGurk and other members of staff of the IDRC, Ottawa, Canada regarding funding for proposed workshop on Human Rights and Sustainable Development for the Southern Caribbean

11 May 2013
Director attended the UWI fundraising Gala in Toronto, Ritz Hotel

16 May 2013
Director interviewed by Joel Henry for the Pelican Magazine re. the proposed establishment of a diplomatic academy for the Caribbean region.

16 May 2013
Meeting with the Indian High Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago to discuss a MOU between IIR and the Indian Foreign Service and plans for Indian Arrival Day celebrations

20 May 2013
IIR co-sponsored Indian Arrival Day event with the Indian High Commissioner at the Learning Resource Centre, UWI

21-24 May 2013
Director attended the Caribbean Development Bank meetings in Jamaica

25 May 2013
Meeting with David Rampersad re. UWI strategy to attract funding from IDRC and CIDA

27-28 May 2013
State Visit of Joe Biden, Vice President of the US. Director drafted speeches for the Prime Minister working in collaboration with the Office of the Prime Minister
ACTIVITIES OF THE DIRECTOR AND OF THE IIR (Continued)

28 May 2013
Director’s photo-shoot for Pelican Magazine

29 May 2013
Director, Hans Geiser and Matthew Bishops met with the Foreign Minister, the Hon. Winston Dookeran, re. the Diplomatic Academy’s plans and the funding arrangement for the new IIR-MOFA journal Caribbean Journal of International Relations and Diplomacy

31 May 2013
Preparatory meeting for the State Visit of Xi Jinping, President of the Peoples’ Republic of China

1-2 June 2013
Director drafts speeches for the Prime Minister in collaboration with the Office of the Prime Minister for the state visit of Xi Jinping

3 June 2013
Lecture at IIR by Jason Blackstock of the University College London

3 June 2013
Heads of Government Conference at the Diplomatic Centre in Port of Spain – the 34th Regular meeting of CARICOM

Note that 25 of IIR students were hired as pages and services the Heads of Government through the meeting.

4 June 2013
Director interviewed by CNC3 TV re. the state visits of Joe Biden and Xi Jinping. Host of the TV show, Hamid Ghany.

5 June 2013
Retreat with CARICOM Heads

6 June 2013
The Director and Michelle Scobie met with Marketing and Communications re. branding of the IIR, design of new brochures for advertising, new logo, and changes to the website

7 June 2013
Director met with Arthur Grey, retired Foreign Service Officer and IIR Alumnus
ACTIVITIES OF THE DIRECTOR AND OF THE IIR (Continued)

8 June 2013
Director and Michelle Scobie paid courtesy visit to welcome the new UN Resident Coordinator, Richard Blewitt

13 June 2013
Meeting with the National Drug Council and Riyad Insanally re. possible collaboration between IIR, the OAS and NDC on workshop to discuss the OAS new report on drugs in the Caribbean

17 -18 June 2013
Workshop at IIR on Private Security Companies in collaboration with Project Ploughshares. Project funded by the IDRC

20 June 2013
Director met with Ayesha Wharton of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to advice on setting up the Trinidad and Tobago Embassy in Beijing, China

20 June 2013
Director and Michelle Scobie met with a representative of the Chinese Embassy and a Chinese architect re. plans for a new building to house the IIR and the proposed Diplomatic Academy

20 June 2013
Director met with Richard Blewitt, the UN Resident Coordinator at UNDP House in Port of Spain re collaboration on a SIDS preparatory workshop to be held at the IIR

21 June 2013
Director met with Shem Baldeosingh at the Prime Minister’s Office.

24 June 2013
IIR Board Meeting

25 June 2013
SIDS + 20 Forum at IIR, streamed live. Meeting organized by Michelle Scobie.

26 June 2013
Meeting with Caroline Allen re. IIR bid to host the HUB of the Caribbean Child Rights Observatory Network

26 June 2013
Director represented IIR at the launch of the new Tourism Hospitality and Sports Unit in the Faculty of Social Sciences lounge.
ACTIVITIES OF THE DIRECTOR AND OF THE IIR (Continued)

27 June 2013
Director attends Senior Management retreat

27 June 2013
Meeting with Col. Smart, David Rampersad and Gillian Gellizeau-Garner of the National Security Council on the establishment of a think tank on regional security and intelligence

28 June 2013
IIR co-hosted Franco-German Treaty 50th anniversary with the French and German Ambassadors. Even held at UTT, NAPA, Port of Spain.

28 June 2013
Director attended Canada Day celebrations, Hyatt Hotel Ballroom, Port of Spain.

29 June 2013
Director drafts speech for the PM

29 June 2013
Principal’s Brunch with the Diplomatic Corps, Principal’s Office, UWI

2 July 2013
Interview with Ucill Cambridge, Trinidad Guardian re. SOFA and maritime security in the southern Caribbean

2 July 2013
Lunch meeting with HE Arthur Snell, UK High Commission to Trinidad and Tobago and HE Paul Brummel, UK High Commission to Barbados

2 July 2013
Director meets with Sir Edwin Carrington, former Secretary General of CARICOM

2 July 2013
Director represents IIR at the celebration of the 237th anniversary of US Independence at the Chief of Mission residence, Port of Spain

3 July, 2013
Appointments Committee of the IIR Board meets
ACTIVITIES OF THE DIRECTOR AND OF THE IIR (Continued)

3 July 2013
Prime Minister invites Director to CARICOM Cocktail reception at the Diplomatic Centre, Port of Spain

4-6 July 2013
CARICOM meetings. Director works with the Office of the Prime Minster to produce speeches for the PM and to observe the CARICOM discussions.

9 July 2013
Director meets with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Barbados re. the proposed diplomatic academy and financial contributions to the IIR

15 July 2013
Director meets with the Prime Minister of Barbados to discuss Barbados’ role in the development of a new training facility for diplomatic training in the Caribbean
STAFF PROFILES (Continued)

ANATOL, Marlon, PhD

BSc. Applied Sociology (Hons) (UWI CaveHill) 1992, Dip IR (IIR) (Hons) 1993, MSc IR (IIR) 2001, PhD (IIR) 2011

1. Bio
A graduate of the IIR he has done extensive research in the region in the areas of Cuba-CARCOM relations, security, youth and development and trade diversification and related issues. In his capacity as a Research Specialist, he has provided research consultancies for several regional organizations (Caribbean Regional Negotiating Machinery, United Nations Development Program, and Caribbean Development Research Services).

2. Courses responsible for teaching in Academic Year 2012/2013
   - Advanced Theory and Methodology: Globalization and Development – INRL 6001
   - Methodology and Theory of International Relations – INRL 5008

3. Research interests
   - CARICOM trade relations
   - Cuba-CARICOM relations
   - Industrial Diversification in Developing countries
   - Security issues for developing states
ANATOL, Marlon, PhD (Continued)

4. Expertise
Expertise in Trade and related issues of Trinidad, has published on this issues of economic diversification and regionalism, trade-readiness and competitiveness of small developing economies. In his capacity as a regional researcher has undertaken projects for United Nation Development Programme, Latin American Barometer, Department for International Development, Commonwealth Secretariat, and Inter American Development Bank in areas related to Safe Neighborhood Surveys, Community Safety, Regional Integration, Democracy and Inclusion covering (but not limited to) T&T, Guyana, Barbados, Jamaica, Suriname and Bahamas.

5. Awards since joining the IIR (teaching, research, service). N/A
6. Current research grants, if any. N/A
7. Campus, National, Regional or International bodies on and, any international collaborators (individuals and/or institutions). N/A

8. List of the students being supervised
     MSc Students – all completing their theses
     1) Stefan Haynes
     2) Hannah Katwaroo
     3) Tenille John
     4) Kurtly Ravello
     5) Crystal Martin
     6) Angel Joseph
ANATOL, Marlon, PhD (Continued)

MPhil/PhD (Supervisory Committee)
1) Adam Andrews – completed first Seminar and preparing for his second.

9. Three most important academic publications -- full citations needed.


10. A sample of op ed pieces – n.a.
BISHOP, Matthew L., PhD

BA (Hons), MA (with Distinction), PhD (all University of Sheffield, UK)

Matthew Bishop has been Lecturer in International Relations at IIR since late 2009. Before taking up this post he taught in the Department of Politics at The University of Sheffield, UK, from where he also earned his PhD. He is one of the managing editors of the *Caribbean Journal of International Relations & Diplomacy*, the in-house journal of the institute. His research interests traverse the broad nexus between International Political Economy (IPE) and Development Studies.

Courses Taught

- INRL 6003 - Small States in the Global System
- INRL 5001 - International History and Politics

Main Research Interests

International Political Economy (IPE)

The Political Economy of Small States, the Independent and Non-Independent Caribbean

Global Trade Politics and Global Climate Change Politics

Democratization
BISHOP, Matthew L., PhD (Continued)

Expertise
Regional Integration and CARICOM
Caribbean Development and Political Economy
The French Caribbean
The Global Politics of Democratization
Climate Change Politics
The World Trade Organization, EPAs and Trade Politics
Good Governance, Democracy and Constitutional Reform

Current Research Grants

UWI Research and Publication Fund Grant – June 2011-13 ($50,000 TTD)
  ● For fieldwork in Barbados, Martinique, Guadeloupe and French Guiana

Service and International Collaboration

Honorary Research Fellow, Sheffield Political Economy Research Institute (SPERI), Sheffield, United Kingdom (2012-15)
  ● Regular contributor to SPERI Comment and participant at SPERI Annual Conference
  ● Working on research project with Professors Anthony Payne and Nicola Phillips entitled
    The Global Distribution of Growth After the Crisis
  ● Organising Committee for SPERI Conference June 2014
BISHOP, Matthew L., PhD (Continued)

Senior Visiting Fellow, Royal Netherlands Institute of Caribbean and Southeast Asian Studies (KITLV), Leiden, Netherlands (summer 2013)

- Working with Professor Rosemarijn Hoefte and Dr Peter Clegg on research project entitled The Three Guyanas
- Organisation of workshop on same subject in late August 2013

External Peer Review

- Books: Palgrave Macmillan International Political Economy Series; Routledge International Politics
- Journals: New Political Economy; British Journal of Political Science; The Geographical Journal; Journal of Eastern Caribbean Studies; Globalization, Societies and Education

Membership of Learned Societies

- International Studies Association (ISA)
- UK Political Studies Association (PSA)
- Canadian Association of Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CALACS)
- British International Studies Association (BISA)
- BISA International Political Economy Group (IPEG)
- Society for Caribbean Studies (SCS)
- Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) (book launch committee member for 2013 conference)
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BISHOP, Matthew L., PhD (Continued)

Research Students Supervised

- Michelle John (PhD) – *Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) and Agricultural Trade: Prospects and Implications for the Caribbean* – Thesis Submitted January 2013
- Travis Hull (MPhil) – *Venezuela and Shifting Patterns of Hegemony in the Caribbean* – Thesis due for submission by Summer 2013
- Courtney Lindsay (MPhil) – *Policy Space, the ACP and Global Trade Politics* – Second Seminar Completed, on Fieldwork March – August 2013
- Anusha Ragbir (PhD) – *Bodies, Nationalities and the Global Political Economy: Transnational Migrant Sex Workers in Trinidad* – Awaiting Second Seminar
- Ricky Ramnarine (MPhil) – *Post-Sugar Adjustment in Selected African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Countries* – Proposal Approved, awaiting Second Seminar
- Genève Phillip (MPhil) – *Deconstructing the ‘Good Governance’ Agenda: A Comparative Analysis of Selected Caribbean Small Island Developing States and Sub-National Island Jurisdictions* – Proposal Approved, awaiting Second Seminar
- Natasha Lalla (MPhil) – *The Implications of Free Trade for the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)* – Close to first seminar
- Nia Nannan (MPhil) – *The Reconfiguration of Caribbean Small States’ Security* – Close to first seminar
STAFF PROFILES

BISHOP, Matthew L., PhD (Continued)

- Geeta Maharaj (PhD) – Bollywood as a Metaphor for Globalization – Leave of Absence

Key Academic Publications


Op-Ed Pieces

1. Mark Kirton is a Senior Lecturer at the Institute of International Relations, The University of The West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad, where he teaches graduate courses on Latin American international relations and politics in the Global Studies programme. Born in Guyana, he was Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Guyana and has lectured at the University of Florida, The Anton de Kom University of Suriname and the University of Texas at Austin, U.S.A.

   Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) (Pass with Distinction) – University of Guyana
   Master of Science – (M.Sc) Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. U.S.A.
   Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) University of Texas at Austin, U.S.A.

2. **Courses currently taught**

   INRL 5006 - The International Relations of Latin America
   INRL 6007 – Issues in Latin American Politics

3. **Current research interests**

   Foreign policy making in Latin America and the Caribbean,
   Citizen security in the hemisphere
   Contemporary regional integration initiatives.

4. **Expertise**

   Country political risk analysis
   Survey design and management
5. **Research Awards at IIR**
   Government of Trinidad/UWI research Award – “Promoting Regional Integration: Latin America and the Caribbean in a changing global environment”

6. **Collaboration** with the Organization of American States as member of Electoral Observation Missions in Caribbean States.
   
   Serve as Reviewer of Citizen Security Programme for government of Guyana/ Inter American Development Bank Project.

7. **Students currently being supervised**
   
   Khellon Roach – Phd. Candidate – To submit dissertation in March 2013-02-25
   
   Clement Henry – Ph.D Candidate - Conducting field research. Expected to present third seminar in 2013 and submit dissertation in 2014
   
   Ornal Barman - Ph.D Candidate - Conducting field research. Expected to present third seminar in 2014 and submit in 2015
   
   Gwendolyn Roberts – M.Phil / Ph.D student – conducting research, Expected to present upgrade seminar in 2013.
   
   Rosanna Glasgow – M.Phil/Ph.D Student – Completed two required courses, Expected to present upgrade seminar in 2013.
   
   Ashaki Dore – M.Phil/Ph.D Student - engaged in research. Expected to present upgrade seminar in 2013.
   
   Stefan Affonso - M.Phil/Ph.D Student – inactive, to be contacted by Graduate Studies office.
KIRTON, Raymond Mark, PhD (Continued)

8. Publications
Books;

Articles:
“La comunidad caribena en el hemispherio: caminos alternativas hacia la integracion regional” in Milagros Martinez Reinosa and Jacqueline Martinez (eds.) 2012 El Caribe in el Siglo XXI, coyunturas, perspectivas y desafios. Havana, Editorial de Ciencias Sociales


Opinion Pieces:


‘ Guyana and its Presidency of UNASUR” in TRINIDAD NEWSDAY. October 31, 2010
MIKE, Solange


Bio: Solange Mike (nee Cross), a national of both the United Kingdom and Trinidad and Tobago, lectures in diplomacy at the Institute of International Relations of the University of the West Indies. She has worked on a number of research consultancies in the region and as a facilitator in many diplomatic training workshops. Her areas of research interest include small state diplomacy, information and communication technologies in international relations, and energy diplomacy.

Courses currently taught:

Theory and Practice of Diplomacy (PG Diploma)

Contemporary International Diplomacy (MSc)

Research interests: Small State Diplomacy, China’s engagement in global affairs, Geopolitics and energy diplomacy, Information and communication technology in international Relations.
MIKE, Solange (Continued)

Expertise: Engagement in a number of Diplomatic training programmes as both facilitator and coordinator, in particular on negotiations using simulation exercises.

International collaborators: Associate Faculty of DiploFoundation (Geneva and Malta).

Regional organisation membership - Caribbean Information and Communication Technology ICT virtual community (CIVIC).

List of the students currently being supervised – Some MSc students.

Academic publications:


MOHAMMED, Debbie A, PhD

1. Dr. Debbie A. Mohammed Lectures International Trade at the Institute of International Relations, UWI, St Augustine. Her publications in the area of Caribbean trade and development issues include a book on competitiveness, several articles published in academic journals and chapters in books. Qualifications- BA (Hons) (Economics & Political Science); Post Graduate Diploma (Hons.); MSc (International Relations) - University of the West Indies, St. Augustine; MA Public Administration (Development Administration)-Carleton University, a Graduate Diploma (Diplomacy & Information Technology) University of Malta; Ph.D (International Relations) UWI, St Augustine.

2. Courses currently taught:
   - INRL 5007: International Trade and Economic Development (Post Graduate Diploma)
   - INRL 6004: International Trade, Development and Global Integration (MSc).

3. Current research interests

   Economic Development and Regional Economic Integration
   
   CARICOM-China Economic Relations
   
   Economic Diversification and Competitiveness
   
   Climate Change, Economic Growth and MDGs
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MOHAMMED, Debbie A, PhD (Continued)

4. **Expertise**- CARICOM trade issues, including small and medium sized enterprise (SME) development; entrepreneurship-building; service sector competitiveness and sector-specific green growth strategies.

5. N/A

6. N/A

7. **Campus/Inter- Campus**

   - Leader-International Relations Disciplinary Group –Faculty of Social Sciences (FSS) Cross Campus Conference.
   - Member-O rganizing Committee Caribbean Centre *for Competitiveness*. 

**National**

- Member- Steering Committee-Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI).
- Member- Trinidad and Tobago Transparency Institute (TTTI)
- UWI Representative on the Business and Labour Advisory Committee (BLAC) of the CSME-Trinidad & Tobago Focal Point- Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
MOHAMMED, Debbie A, PhD (Continued)

- UWI Representative - Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) Ministry of Trade and Industry.
- UWI Representative - Trade Related Issues (TRI) Sub Committee - Ministry of Trade and Industry.

Regional
- Member – Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) Research Support Group on the CSME
- Member- CDB- Research Group on Knowledge Management.

8. List of the students currently being supervised:

- Ph.D- David Anyanwu- Ph.D defense held March 14th, 2013. Degree awarded 2013.

- MSc
  - Christian Jalim,
  - Shari Mohammed

- MPhil-
  - Ameiza Charles
  - Kobina Wilson (1st seminar completed, 2nd scheduled for March 2013)
  - Donna DeFour (LOA)

- MPhil Supervisory committee
  - David Simmons
  - Natasha Lalla
  - Ricky Rammarine
  - Natasha George
MOHAMMED, Debbie A, PhD (Continued)

● Ph.D Supervisory Committee
  ○ Lynelle Clarke
  ○ Khellon Roach


External Peer Review


9. Key academic publications


MOHAMMED, Debbie A, PhD (Continued)


10. **A sample of op ed pieces**


- **Mohammed, Debbie (2009)** “How can the CSME help the Caribbean through the Current Economic Crisis?” *Caribbean Construction Digest* Issue 1, February: pp 36-38.

MONTOUTE, Annita, PhD

**Academic Qualifications**: Bachelor of Arts in History, UWI (1996); Certificate in Education, Sir Arthur Lewis Community College (SALCC) (2002); Post Graduate Diploma in International Relations, UWI (2003); Doctor of Philosophy in International Relations, UWI (2009)

**Courses taught**: Political Economy of International Development and Organisation;

Multilateralism and Global Governance

**Research interests**: Civil Society; The Caribbean, the ACP Group and the EU; Emerging players in the global economy
STAFF PROFILES

MONTOUTE, Annita, PhD (Continued)

Expertise: Civil Society; Crime and Security

Research Grants: Project Ploughshares and the Department of Foreign Affairs, Government of Canada for study for project Private security in the Caribbean: the case of St Lucia

Supervision

(i) Marlon Bascome, dissertation proposal approved
(ii) Ricky Ramnarine, MPhil, on field research (Supervisory Committee)
(iii) David Simmons, MPhil, on field research (Supervisory Committee)
(iv) Rosanna Glasgow, on field research (Supervisory Committee)
(v) Malvern Mentor, on field research (Supervisory Committee)
(vi) Natasha George, on field research (Supervisory Committee)
(vii) Nia Nanan, on field research (Supervisory Committee)
(viii) Oliver Hinckson, dissertation proposal approved (Supervisory Committee)
(ix) Latoyaa Roberts, dissertation proposal approved (Supervisory Committee)

Select Publications


STAFF PROFILES

MONTOUTE, Annita, PhD (Continued)


REIS, Michele, PhD

Doctor of Philosophy, Institute of International Relations, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus, December 2005.


Master of Arts, English, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane, Martinique, 1995.

Bachelor of Arts, English, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane, Martinique, 1992-1993.

1. Dr. Michele Reis has been a lecturer at the Institute of International Relations, St. Augustine Campus of the University of the West Indies since 2007. She obtained her Ph.D. from the aforementioned Institute in 2005 and has been actively involved in teaching, publishing, presenting papers at international conferences and consulting in the areas of migration, diaspora and cultural studies.

2. Teaching

- INRL 6011 - Diasporic and Developmental Dimension of Migration (elective in the second semester at the Masters level)

- INRL 5004 - International Relations of the Caribbean (semester one at the post-graduate diploma level)
3. **Research Interests**: migration, diaspora, foreign policy issues in Caribbean states

4. **Expertise**: same as above + cultural/creative industries

5. . N/A

6. . N/A

7. **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES/ORGANISATIONS:**

   - Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)
   - Multi-Ethnic Society of Europe and the Americas (MESEA)
   - Fashion Association of Trinidad and Tobago (FATT)
   - Member of the ACP/IOM National Consultative Committee (NCC) for Migration

8. **Students currently being supervised:**

   a) Kerry-Ann Roberts Kasmally-M.Phil, on leave of absence until September 2013, about to enter second year of the degree

   b) Anand Munessar-M.Sc. student

   c) Donesha Young Lao-M.Sc. student

   d) Kezeon Gopaul-M.Sc. student

   e) Devon Sooklalsingh-M.Sc. student (theses due Aug. 2013)
10. Publications

- (August 2009) The Impact of Migration on Children in the Caribbean, Bakker, Caroline, Elings-Pels, Martina, Reis, Michele, UNICEF Paper no. 4.

10. Newspaper and Magazine Articles

- (March 2010) Managing Irregular Migration To Combat Human Trafficking in Trinidad and Tobago, IOM Newsletter, pp. 1-2.
STAFF PROFILES

SCOBIE, Michelle, PhD

LLb.(Hons), LEC., Dipl. Int. Rel. (Dist), Ph. D.

1. a brief bio

Attorney at law with practice in Trinidad and Tobago and Venezuela, Dr. Scobie is the Coordinator for the Masters in Global Studies program at the Institute of International Relations, UWI, St. Augustine. She lectures International Law and International Economic Law and Global Environmental Governance. She has worked as a Senior Economic Policy Analyst with the Ministry of Finance of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago and served for 4 years as the first Corporate Secretary of the Trinidad and Tobago Heritage and Stabilisation Fund. PhD International Relations (UWI), LLb (Hons) (UWI), LEC (Hugh Wooding Law School), PG Dipl. International Relations (Dist) UWI.

2. Courses currently taught

1. International Law
2. International Economic Law
3. Global Environmental Governance
3. Research interests

1. Global and Regional Environmental Governance
   a. including climate change impacts on governance and development, marine governance, fisheries governance, biodiversity and regional frameworks, environmental justice and environmental security
   b. the competing concepts/issues (development, common but differentiated responsibilities, stewardship, international commitments and moral suasion) facing domestic decision makers and global environmental groups
   c. the architecture of marine environmental governance in the Caribbean and the extent to which global debates have resonated, supported or strengthened the institutionalization of global environmental norms
   d. issues of environmental justice as they intersect with other norms of inter and intra-generational equity for developing states

2. International Law-
   a. Subjects of international law: the non-state sector’s legal responsibilities (individuals and criminal justice, Transnational corporations and CSR)
   b. International Environmental Law
   c. Law and ethics- perspectives of developing states
d. Legal Implications of declaring the Caribbean Sea a Special Area in the context of sustainable development- Caribbean Sea Initiative of the Association of Caribbean States

3. International Economic Law
   a. Trade and the Environment
   b. Intellectual property and developing states
   c. Trade and sustainable development
   d. International economic law and the Environment- trade and development challenges for SIDS

4. Global Governance
   a. Multilateral governance – developments and current issues

4. Expertise

1. International law, International Economic Law
2. Global Environmental Governance- states, transnational corporations, non state actors
3. Marine Governance
4. Multilateral Governance- reform of the UN and World Bank
5. International Trade Agreements
6. Fluent in Spanish
SCOBIE, Michelle, PhD (Continued)

5. Awards given since joining the IIR (teaching, research, service)

2011- Research and Publication Grant – UWI- for - Trends, challenges and opportunities- the role of international environmental law and good governance in the protection of Regional Seas- the Case of the Caribbean Small Island Developing States (SIDS)


7. Campus, National, Regional or International bodies on which you currently serve and, list any international collaborators (individuals and/or institutions)

- Member: Caribbean Studies Association
- Member: International Studies Association
- Member: UWI Network on Caribbean Regional Sea Governance- to support the work of the Association of Caribbean States’ Caribbean Sea Initiative
- Project Coordinator: Projects in Education Ltd. (Non-profit organisation fostering women’s development in Trinidad and Tobago)- and responsible for one of UWI’s most long standing mentorship programs SUMMON - Recipient of the 2012 Excellence in UWI life award-
8. List of the students currently being supervised

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9. Three most important academic publications


11. Other institute related matters

1. Convenor and creator of the Global Environmental Governance MSC Course at IIR 2012

2. MSC Coordinator- Responsible for updating MSC Regs; developing and implementing systems for regularised grading, second marking of MSC papers as well the MSC Research Presentation day.

Managing Editor- *Caribbean Journal of International Relations and Diplomacy.*
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SEMESTER II
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(A) POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

First Semester

1. INRL 5000 Specialized Seminar [Dr. Anthony Gonzales] [Major General Edmund Dillon] [Dr. Johann Geiser] [Mr. Mahindra Ramesh Ramdeen]

2. INRL 5002 International Law [Dr. Michelle Scobie]

3. INRL 5003 International Money and Finance [Indera Sagewan-Ali]

4. INRL 5004 International Relations of the Caribbean [Dr. Michele Reis]

5. INRL 5005 Political Economy of International Development & Organization [Dr. Annita Montoute]

6. INRL 5009 Theory and Practice of Diplomacy [Solange Cross-Mike]

7. INRL 5010 Foreign Language [Dr. Maria Landa (Spanish), Dr. James Bukari (French)]

Second Semester

1. INRL 5000 Specialized Seminar [Dr. Anthony Gonzales] [Major General Edmund Dillon] [Dr. Johann Geiser] [Mr. Mahindra Ramesh Ramdeen]

2. INRL 5001 International History and Politics [Dr. Matthew Bishop]

3. INRL 5006 International Relations of Latin America [Dr. Mark Kirton]

4. INRL 5007 International Trade and Economic Development [Dr. Debbie Mohammed]

5. INRL 5008 Methodology and Theory of International Relations [Dr. Marlon Anatol]

6. INRL 5010 Foreign Language [Dr. Maria Landa (Spanish), Dr. James Bukari (French)]
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(B) MASTERS OF SCIENCE IN GLOBAL STUDIES

First Semester

1. INRL 6001 Advanced Theory and Methodology: Globalization and Development [Dr. Marlon Anatol]

2. INRL 6003 Small States in the Global System [Dr. Matthew Bishop]

3. INRL 6004 International Trade, Development and Global Integration [Dr. Debbie Mohammed]

4. INRL 6020 Research Methods & Proposal Writing [Dr. Godfrey St. Bernard]

MASTERS OF SCIENCE IN GLOBAL STUDIES

Second Semester

1. INRL6002 Selected Policy Issues in International Money and Finance [Professor Ramesh Ramsaran]

2. INRL 6006 Multilateralism and Global Governance [Dr. Annita Montoute]

3. INRL 6007 Issues in Latin American Politics [Dr. Mark Kirton]

4. INRL 6008 Contemporary International Diplomacy [Mrs. Solange Mike-Cross]

5. INRL 6012 Global Environmental Governance [Dr. Michelle Scobie]
CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, LECTURES, TRAINING & SEMINARS

1. TRAINING

16th – 18th January, 2013 – St. Lucia

“International Human Rights and Sustainable Development” - A Workshop for Senior Government Officials from the Eastern Caribbean (OECS) and Barbados

This seminar was organised by the Institute of International Relations in cooperation with the Office of the UN Resident Coordinator’s Office and the Subregional Team for Barbados and the OECS & the Office of the Director General of the OECS Secretariat, with the Support of the Government of Switzerland

1. Introduction

The Institute of International Relations (IIR) of The University of the West Indies resumed an old tradition, namely to organize periodically “off shore” learning and training events, and this in accordance with the spirit and letter of its regional mandate. One such event, in the form of a Workshop, intended for the Eastern Caribbean States, including the OECS Associate Members. The event was focused on the international human rights system and its ever increasing linkages with the sustainable development agenda.

The IIR benefitted from the sponsorship of the Office of the UN Resident Coordinator and the Sub-Regional Team for Barbados and the OECS. Also, the Office of the Director General and the OECS Secretariat which provided the necessary logistic support.

2. Dates and Place

The Workshop took place at the Bay Gardens Hotel, Rodney Bay Village, Gros Islet, St. Lucia.

3. Workshop Participants

The Workshop was designed for senior Government Officials who were likely to be involved in work relating to the international human rights system and issues of sustainable development affecting their respective countries.
CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, LECTURES, TRAINING & SEMINARS

TRAINING (Continued)
16th – 18th January, 2013

“International Human Rights and Sustainable Development” - A Workshop for Senior Government Officials from the Eastern Caribbean (OECS) and Barbados

The following Countries were invited to nominate and send at least two participants to the Workshop: Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, British Virgin Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

St. Lucia, as the host country, was invited to send several participants to the Workshop. Also, the OECS Secretariat was invited to select two participants to participate in the Workshop.

The cost of air travel expenses, daily subsistence and hotel accommodation were covered by the Organizers.

4. Learning Objectives

The Workshop has set out the following learning objectives, namely

- To familiarize the participants with the status and recent developments of the international human rights and humanitarian law system;
- To engage the participants in a free and frank discussion of the need and relevance of linking human rights with the agenda for sustainable development;
- To increase awareness of the participants in the areas of economic, social and cultural rights in the pursuit of sustainable development;
- To build the participants’ aptitudes and understanding for proper and effective implementation of these human rights norms at the national and regional level;
- To strengthen the participants’ skills to initiate, coordinate and prepare national human rights reports.

5. WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

16 JANUARY, 2013:

3.00 pm – 6.00 pm       Arrival and Registration of Participants
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TRAINING (Continued)
16th – 18th January, 2013

“International Human Rights and Sustainable Development” - A Workshop for Senior Government Officials from the Eastern Caribbean (OECS) and Barbados

6.00 pm – 8.00 pm Opening Session

- Welcome: Dr. Anthony P. Gonzales, IIR; Michelle Gyles-McDonnough, UN/UNDP Barbados & OECS, Dr. Len Ishmael, OECS Director General.
- Address: Small States in International Relations: Challenges and Opportunities: Professor Andy Knight, Director IIR
- FEATURE SPEAKER: “Global Governance: Theory and Practice in the Caribbean”. Professor Vaughan Lewis

8.00 pm– 9.30 pm Reception/Cocktails

17 JANUARY, 2013:

9.00 am – 9.30 am Programme Discussion: Dr. Hans Geiser


10.30 am – 10.45 am Coffee Break

10.45 am – 12.00 noon “International Humanitarian Law: Countries at War, Countries at Peace” Judith Osuman, ICRC Representative Discussion: Q & A with Participants

12.00 noon – 12.45 pm “The Relevance of the International Human Rights and Humanitarian System to the OECS.” Panel Discussion: Vaughan Lewis, Hans Geiser and the Participants

12.45 pm – 2.00 pm Lunch
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3.30 pm – 3.45 pm  Coffee Break

3.45 pm – 4.45 pm  “Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and Sustainable Development – Overview”: Presentation: Hans Geiser

4.45 pm – 6.00 pm  “Implementing Economic, Social and Cultural Rights: Human Rights Approach to Sustainable Development” Michelle Gyles-McDonnough
                           “Examining Specific Rights: The Right to Food, the Right to Water, the Right to Education, the Right to work”. Discussion Leaders: Cecil Bernard, Michelle Brathwaite, Violet Warnery

18 JANUARY, 2013:

09.00 am – 10.30 am  “Examining Specific Rights: Children and Women Rights, the Rights of Migrant Workers and their Families, the Rights of People with Disabilities”. Discussion Leaders: Violet Warnery, Cecil Bernard, Michelle Brathwaite, Len Ishmael

10.30 am – 10.45 am  Coffee Break

10.45 am – 12.15 pm  “The Right to a Sustainable Environment: Issues, Challenges Prospects for the SIDS – The World after
CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, LECTURES, TRAINING & SEMINARS

TRAINING (Continued)
16\textsuperscript{th} – 18\textsuperscript{th} January, 2013

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Doha” Round Table Discussion: Chairperson: Michelle Gyles-McDonough together with the Participants.

12.15 pm – 1.30 pm  Lunch

1.30 pm – 3.00 pm  “Preparing a National Report: Group Work Reporting Exercise”
Participants breaking up in groups to prepare an outline report to the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

3.00 pm – 4.00 pm  “Presentation of the Outline Report to the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights”
Plenary Meeting: Meeting Chair, Cecil Bernard; Hans Geiser

4.00 pm – 4.30 pm  Coffee Break

4.30 pm – 5.00 pm  “The Future We Want: Rio + 20 Outcome Document”
Presentation: Michelle Gyles-McDonnough

5.00 pm – 5.30 pm  “Closing Session: Workshop Assessment, Participants’ Feedback, Possible Follow-up Activities”
Hans Geiser, Michelle Brathwaite

6. Learning Materials

A comprehensive set of learning and teaching materials and documents will be made available to the participants on arrival, on a computer useable flash drive.
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7. List of Experts and Resource Persons

Bernard, Cecil: Former President of the Industrial Court of Trinidad & Tobago, and Co-Author of the UNITAR/UN Staff College Human Rights Reporting Handbook.

Brathwaite, Michelle: National Human Rights Officer, UN Resident Coordinator’s Office for Barbados and the OECS.

Gonzales, Anthony P.: Former Director of the UWI Institute of International Relations and Professor of International Economics at the Institute.

Geiser, Hans: Former UN/UNDP Resident Coordinator for Trinidad & Tobago and Suriname, currently Senior Fellow at the UWI Institute of International Relations

Gyles-McDonnough, Michelle: UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for Barbados and the OECS.

Ishmael, Len: Director General of the OECS Secretariat and former Director of ECLAC/PoS

Lewis, Vaughan: Professor (Emeritus) St. Lucia, UWI Institute International Relations.

Knight, W. Andy: Newly appointed Director of the UWI Institute of International Relations and Professor of International Relations at the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.

Osuman, Judith: Representative of the ICRC for the Caribbean, Caracas, Venezuela

Warnery, Violet: Deputy Representative of UNICEF for the Caribbean, Barbados.
CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, LECTURES, TRAINING & SEMINARS

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3rd January, 2013
2. SEMINARS

7th March, 2013

Panel Discussion - “The Chavez Legacy”

The panel discussion was chaired by Mrs. Solange Mike.

Presentations were made by:

Dr. Mark Kirton, Senior Lecturer IIR, UWI;

Ms. Aleah Ranjitsingh, Ph.D Student, IGDS, UWI;

Professor Norman Girvan, Professor Emeritus, UWI;

Professor W. Andy Knight, Director IIR, UWI;

H.E. Coromoto Godoy-Calderon, Ambassador of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to Trinidad and Tobago;

H.E. Humberto Rivero Rosario, Ambassador of the Republic of Cuba.

A discussion session followed.
SEMINARS (Continued)

15th March, 2013


The Institute of International Relations (IIR) at The University of the West Indies in collaboration with the Government of Canada, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Suriname and their M.Sc (Global Studies) Suriname Alumni Group convened a seminar entitled “Prospects and Challenges for the Caribbean Regional Integration Process”, addressing a range of issues and stimulating discussion on the way forward for Caribbean regionalism. This event was funded by the Embassy of Canada in Suriname, with in-kind contributions from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Suriname and the IIR Alumni Group. This event was the second in the series of seminars (the first was conducted in Guyana in January 2013) and brought together, IIR alumni and current students from Guyana, Trinidad and Suriname who presented their research on regional integration issues and engaged the communities in scholarly discourse aimed at seeking practical recommendations and opinions with respect to the challenges and prospects for CARICOM states as they navigated the integration process in the hemisphere.

Senior Lecturer of the IIR, Dr. Mark Kirton presented the welcoming address to the proceedings in which he highlighted the importance of a strengthened commitment to Caribbean regional integration in a global system characterized by reconfigured regional arrangements in response to the challenges posed by heightened globalization processes and the multidimensional threats facing the small states of the region. His Excellency Mr David Devine, Ambassador of Canada to Suriname presented the opening feature address.
in which he affirmed the Canadian government’s continued support to the Caribbean regional integration process. Ambassador Devine underscored stronger commitments to unity and solidarity, respect for individual state sovereignty and the pooling of sovereignty for greater gains as fundamental to Caribbean regionalism. Ms. Lucretia Rodan,, Deputy Permanent Secretary. Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Suriname , in her opening presentation indicated that the Government of Suriname was pleased to be associated with the event and was committed to the process of regional integration. She presented the view that the interaction among academic, the public and private sectors and the NGO community provided the opportunity for all stakeholders to be actively involved in the discourse on integration which could lead to lasting solutions to the current challenges facing the hemisphere.

Presenters at the seminar were assigned to two panels and comprised students of the MSc and Mphil/PhD programmes of the IIR. Moderator Dr Marlon Anatol, Lecturer of the IIR introduced the first panel of presenters who initiated debate and discussions on issues related to trade, competitiveness and the widening of regional integration towards a reconceptualised, hemispheric regional identity. Presentations were prepared by Ms Thea Smith entitled “Coming out of Isolation: Suriname’s Process of Regional Integration” and Mr Ceciel Pinas presented his work on “Suriname’s Integration in the Caribbean: An Assessment of National Competitiveness”. Ms Inez Redjosentono offered a practical lens of the role of the private sector through her presentation “Regional Integration in the Caribbean: Perspectives for the Private Sector- A Practical View of Suriname” and Ms Shivonne Pariag concluded the presentations of the first session with a paper entitled “Strengthening Regional Integration: A People-Centered Approach”.

Panel two convened during the afternoon session and the papers presented concentrated on issues of security faced by Caribbean states, climate change and the linkages in the regional arrangements of CARICOM and UNASUR. Commodore Gary Best presented his work on “Sustainable Funding of Climate Change Adaptation Plans: Prospects and Challenges for Regional Integration”. Ms Nia Nanan followed with the
presentation of a paper entitled “Re-prioritizing the Caribbean’s Security Agenda: Prospects for a Collaborative Approach”. Another aspect of security was presented by Mr Clement Henry on “Human Security and Regional Integration: Problems, Issues and Prospects” and Mr Floyd Levi shared his research on “Transnational Organized Crime: Perspectives from Guyana”. Mr Hugh Todd delivered the final presentation “Linking UNASUR and CARICOM: Implications for Guyana and Suriname.”

The panel presentations of both sessions sparked lively and heated discussions related to the challenges of the Caribbean regional integration process. The contributions to the debate proposed future steps to drive the integration process, foster sustainable socio-economic development and enhance the regional approach to contemporary security threats. Presenters alluded to greater opportunities for positive outcomes to regional cooperation through the newly established Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) and the critical role of Guyana, Suriname and Belize in bridging the gap in Latin American and Caribbean relations. These presentations will be uploaded to the IIR website for wider dissemination.

His Excellency Mr David Devine concluded the seminar by hosting a formal reception which provided an opportunity, in an informal setting, for further discussions on the issues related to the integration process. There were seventy participants who registered and attended the seminar including representatives from the public and private sectors in Suriname, the diplomatic community, university lecturers and students and representatives of the NGO and international donor communities. The seminar was a resounding success and the works shared suggest a commitment on the part of the region’s young thinkers to the Caribbean regional integration process.

Additionally, I attended two meetings with stakeholders with respect the delivery of the M.Sc programme in Suriname to 20 Foreign Service Officers of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Suriname, in collaboration with the Institute of International Relations of the Anton De Kom University of Suriname (ADEKUS). The first meeting, with the Director of the IIR ADEKUS, Mr. Harold Kolader and Mr. Ruben Martoredjo, ADEKUS Board
Member and IIR UWI alumnus, had as its focus, the possible collaboration between the two institutions to deliver a customised M.Sc programme as part of the capacity-building process for the foreign-service officers in Suriname. The IIR ADEKUS representatives requested the inclusion of some specific modules related to Suriname, in the courses to be delivered including the history of the foreign relations of Suriname, and negotiation techniques. The ADEKUS representatives also presented a proposal which they had discussed, in a preliminary way, with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and one potential donor, the United Nations Development Programme. (See Proposal attached)

The second meeting was held at the request of the representative of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Dr. Thomas Gittens, who indicated that in principle, UNDP was committed to provide some funding for the delivery of the M.Sc programme by UWI IIR in collaboration with the IIR ADEKUS. The meeting discussed the need to build capacity both in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the IIR ADEKUS and to further develop the proposal and conclude the discussions so that the programme could begin in September, 2013, subject to agreement by all parties. The meeting was informed of the ‘blended learning’ approach being developed by UWI and the possibility for the delivery of this programme to be carried out through both the on-site and on-line modes.

Mark Kirton - March 2013
3. OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

NOTES ON VISIT TO GUYANA BY PROF. W. ANDY KNIGHT DURING THE PERIOD, 13TH TO 16TH FEBRUARY, 2013. During the period 13th to 16th February, 2013, Professor Andy Knight, Director, IIR, accompanied by Dr. Mark Kirton, Senior Lecturer, IIR, visited Guyana and met with several regional and local stakeholders. Prof. Knight held a meeting with Mrs. Elisabeth Harper, Director general, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) and discussed possible collaboration between the IIR and MOFA, including short training courses for Guyanese diplomats as well as collaborative research projects. The IIR is to provide a list of short courses for MOFA’s consideration.

The Director also met with officials of the CARICOM Secretariat including, Mr. David Hales, Ms. Myrna Bernard, Officer-in-Charge, Human and Social Development, Ms Valerie Odle-Alleyne, Director, Foreign Policy and External Economic Relations, and Ms. Tricia Barrow-Hazelwood, Senior Project Officer, Foreign Policy and Community relations. This meeting discussed the areas of advanced training for CARICOM diplomats, the writing of policy briefs and joint articles on CARICOM issues and the provision of internships for IIR students.

Prof. Knight also met the Ambassador of Canada to CARICOM, HE. David Devine and the discussions centred around areas of cooperation and research by IIR on security, corruption and the IIR received a cheque for US$9027.30 to support the holding of a seminar “Prospects and challenges for CARICOM states in the pursuit of regional integration”.

The Director met with the Head of the European Union Delegation to Guyana, Trinidad and Suriname. Amb. Robert Kopecky and discussed collaboration in research on regional security. The meeting with the U.S. Ambassador to Guyana and CARICOM, H.E. Brent Hardt also discussed potential areas of collaboration and security issues were also the major focus of the deliberations.

The meeting with UN Resident Coordinator, Ms. Khadija Musa discussed areas of common interest such as the role of IIR in building capacity at the University of Guyana and the possibility of securing funding from UNDP to assist.

The meeting with the Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Guyana and Trinidad, H.E. Nicolai Smirnov discussed the possible establishment of links with
International Relations Institutes in Russia and the possible exchanges of staff and students and the possible assistance in funding of the new IIR building by BRIC states.

The Director met with the IIR M.Sc Guyana Alumni Group and was the guest of honour at a dinner at the Guyana Defence force headquarters.

The Director also addressed a meeting of approximately 35 prospective M.Sc students at the Cara lodge hotel and given the interest shown, IIR will advertise its programme in Guyana shortly.

The Director also met with the Vice Chancellor of the University of Guyana, Prof. Jacob Opadeyi and discussed potential collaboration for the delivery of the M.Sc programme in Guyana. He VC suggested a joint programme with the opportunity being provided for the lecturers at UG with first degrees to be enrolled and pay UG fees. The VC promised to present more detailed proposals shortly.
EVENTS ORGANISED BY THE INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER OVER THE PERIOD AUGUST 2012- MARCH, 2013

6th August, 2012 to 2nd September, 2012


21st September, 2012

Strengthening the Inter-American Human Rights System Seminar. 21 September, 2012 at IIR

5th October, 2012

15th November, 2012

IIR’s Research Seminar on November 15th, 2012 at 9:30am. Board Room.
16th November, 2012

Seminar: The US Embargo on Cuba after 52 years. November 16, 2012 - 10.00 a.m -12.00 noon

23rd November, 2012


29th November, 2012

Lecture: "The future of UK foreign policy, 'Soft Power' and modern diplomacy. UK Minister Mark Simmonds. 29 November, 2012 at 2:15 p.m. IIR Boardroom.

10th December, 2012

Lecture: “The United Nations, Human Rights and Human Rights Defenders” by Cees Flinterman. 10 December, 2012. 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 Noon at Hugh Wooding Law School, Auditorium.

2013

17-19th January, 2013
Workshop for OECS and Barbados on "International Human Rights and Sustainable Development". 17 – 19 January 2013 in St. Lucia.

18th February, 2013

Dr. Rudy Insanally, Diplomatic Dialogues Distinguished Lecture and book launch on Multilateral Diplomacy for Small States. 18 February, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. IIR Boardroom.

7th March, 2013

Panel Discussion - “The Chavez Legacy”, IIR Lecture Room I, Institute of International Relations

12 March, 2013

H.E Vuk Jemeric, President of the UN General Assembly. Panel discussion Central Bank Auditorium in collaboration with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Trinidad and Tobago. 12 March, 2013 at 4:00p.m.
15th March, 2013
“Sovereignty and self-determination: Discussion of the Falkland Islands Referendum”
Representatives from the Falkland Islands delegation- Ian Hansen – Member of the Legislative Assembly; and Emily Hancox, young islander. In collaboration with the United Kingdom High Commission to Trinidad and Tobago. 15 March, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. IIR Boardroom.


20 May 2013
IIR co-sponsored Indian Arrival Day event with the Indian High Commissioner at the Learning Resource Centre, UWI

3 June 2013
Lecture at IIR by Jason Blackstock of the University College London

17 -18 June 2013
Workshop at IIR on Private Security Companies in collaboration with Project Ploughshares. Project funded by the IDRC

25 June 2013
SIDS + 20 Forum at IIR, streamed live. Meeting organized by Michelle Scobie.

28 June 2013
IIR co-hosted Franco-German Treaty 50th anniversary with the French and German Ambassadors. Event held at UTT, National Academy for Performing Arts (NAPA), Port of Spain.
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A. ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR IN REVIEW 2012/2013

- Major accomplishments of the reporting section

The Library engaged in a range of training, outreach and campus activities and undertook several key initiatives in an academic year which heralded many changes.

With regard to human resources, arrangements were formalized for the employment of a student Assistant, Keshan Latchman, for Saturday duty, which took effect from Saturday 20th October, 2012. At the beginning of 2013, the Institute welcomed a new Director, Professor Andy Knight. Miss Joy Smith completed her contract with the Institute’s Library on March 31st, and Miss Tamara Brathwaite resumed duties as Librarian II on April 1st, 2013. Mrs Cristal Warner Library Assistant I resigned with effect from July 31st, 2013 to assume a position of Clerical Assistant II in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. Two Student Assistants were taken on board in June to undertake a summer project entailing a stock take of the serials housed in the work room area of the Library.

As many as eighteen thematic displays were featured in the library during the academic year. On the occasion of Postgraduate Open Day, the Library showcased the display “What to Do With a Degree in International Relations” while the “Timeline Display” was mounted and featured in celebration of the 46th anniversary of the Institute’s founding. Two displays stood out during this period, one featuring the Word and Works of Kofi Annan and the other mounted in celebration of Nelson Mandela International Day, July 18th, 2013. With regard to the latter, the Library partnered with a nongovernmental organisation, the Project for Educational Excellence, and mounted a “backpack” drive which garnered 44 backpacks to be given to school children in time for the new school year.

Other outreach activities included the Library’s screening of the award winning documentary “Children of War” on the occasion of Universal Children’s Day. Wayde Rammarine of the United Nations Information Center (UNIC) was invited to chair the session. In February 2013, the Library hosted the book launch of “Bridging the Digital Divide?: Prospects for Caribbean Development in the New Techno-Economic Paradigm”, a publication by Dr. Gale T. C. Rigobert, an alumna and former Lecturer at the Institute. A profile of the launch was included in the inaugural issue of the Campus Libraries Newsletter. During the period June 10th to 27th, the Library accommodated an Intern from the College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago (COSTAATT). The Intern, Miss Marsha Lewis, was trained in all aspects of the Library’s operations.
The Library commenced Semester I of the academic year with the preparation of the Institute’s Operational Plan, 2012–2014 and the Work Programme for the 2012–2013 academic year. The Information Literacy sessions were jointly conducted by Joy Smith and Tamara Brathwaite and covered an eight-week period commencing on Monday 10th September. Both Librarians also served on the Editorial Committee of the Institute’s in-house journal “Caribbean Journal of International Relations and Diplomacy” while the Library provided updated information for uploading to the Institute’s revamped website.

Cherill Farrell attended the Meetings of the Smart card Sub Committee, Library Component, which was set up to oversee the implementation of the smartcard for the beginning of the new academic year, September 2013. The keyboards of three circulation terminals are earmarked for replacement so as to facilitate this exercise. The Library staff members are also working in close collaboration with the academic staff to develop a Handbook for the preparation of Research papers at the Institute of International Relations.

With regard to working in Aleph, Staff reported a “fines system error” appearing for both DVD and special loans. A request was made for refresher training in the Serials and Acquisitions module to be facilitated by Stella Sandy of the Alma Jordan Library. The Librarian, Tamara Brathwaite and the Library Assistants, attended meetings in the Alma Jordan Library relating to the standardization of circulation procedures across the Campus Libraries. The listings of MSc. and Seminar papers were completed for entry into UWISpace with documents added to the system from September 2012. A policy for the loan of DVD’s was devised and rolled out from the beginning of the second semester given the increased focus on collection development of multimedia material.

Members of Staff worked on several assignments during the year in review, including the conduct of a shelf reading exercise in May, the creation of a Library statistics database, the design of a form for book recommendations by the students, the preparation of monthly reports to the Librarian, the production of Library Christmas postcards, and the preparation of a Report for submission to the Librarian/Director titled “Proposal for the Reclassification of Posts of Library Assistants at the Institute of International Relations Library, UWI.” Two additional Libguides were published and the Library contributed a piece to the upcoming IIR Newsletter titled “A Boutique Library at the Institute of International Relations Library”. Staff bios were prepared for submission to the online IIR View book. To end the academic year, the Institute held a staff retreat in May 2013 to review the curriculum and chart the way forward.

The Library’s budgetary allocation for the year stood at $900,000. This was spent to acquire approximately nine hundred monographs and renew 70 periodical titles, comprising both print and electronic journal subscriptions.
Detailed account of the core activities of the section

Service Upgrades
- An information literacy post test survey was administered through Survey Monkey following on the delivery of the Information Literacy sessions
- A policy for the loan of DVD’s was devised and rolled out at the beginning of Semester II
- A database has been created for the entry, generation and analysis of library data
- Monthly library reports have been prepared for submission to the Librarian, including statistical data on loans, renewals, circulations, library acquisitions, displays and staff assignments
- Completion of the listings of MSc. Research and student Seminar papers with input into the digital repository UWISpace from September 2012
- Enlisting of the services of the Librarians on the Editorial Committee of the “Caribbean Journal of International Relations and Diplomacy”
- Expansion of the journal holdings to include an additional journal title
- Greater collaboration with the Academic Staff on the preparation of a Research Guide/Handbook for Students at the Institute
- Utilizing the services of Student Assistants for Saturday duty
- Continuous promotion of outreach activities

Facilities Upgrades
- The acquisition of one thousand tattle tapes for the sensitizing of DVD’s and CD’s
- The renewal of the lease agreement of the Toshiba copier and the filling of an order for copy cards
- An investment in signage with requests for Main Entrance and Open/Closed signs
- The acquisition of a world political map mural
- The upgrade of the display boards resulting in a greater display area and visual impact

- Budgetary allocation: $900,000
- Expenditure to date: $976,920.30 [Monographs $638,215.73  Serials $277,451.57 Multimedia $61,253.00]
- Books purchased: 846
- Multimedia acquired: 66
- Donations received: 73
- Subscriptions renewals: 70 [Print: 62 Electronic: 8]
- Items sent for binding: 184
- Items copy catalogued: 602
- Theses scrutinized: 5
Special initiatives in which the section is involved

Partnering with a Non-governmental Organisation, the Project for Educational Excellence, on the Occasion of Nelson Mandela International Day to spearhead a back pack drive in July, 2013

B. HUMAN RESOURCES/ADMINISTRATION

1. General

- Activities aimed at changing culture/process, quality assurance etc.

The Library has enlisted the services of a Student Assistant for Saturday duty with effect from Saturday 20th October, 2012.

- Efforts to improve recruitment and retention

Following on the recommendation for increased staffing levels in the Library coming out of the “Report of the Review group on Non-Academic Structure for the Institute of International Relations”, the Librarian has received and submitted for consideration a report prepared by the Library Assistant II, Miss Carrill Melville “Proposal for the Reclassification of Posts of Library Assistants at the Institute of International Relations Library, UWI”.

2. Academic & Senior Administrative Staff

- Major awards, special honours and distinction (e.g.: national and other awards).
  Tamara Brathwaite
  - Distinction awarded in the pursuit of a Postgraduate Certificate in University Teaching and Learning, Centre for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, UWI St Augustine

- Specialized training attended
  Cherill Farrell
  - International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) World Library and Information Congress: 78th IFLA General Conference and Assembly, Helsinki, Finland, 11-17 August, 2012
  - Electronic Resources- Springerlink Training, Alma Jordan Library, 24th October, 2012

Joy Smith
- Introduction to Lexis Library, Alma Jordan Library, 20th September, 2012
- Using Turnitin for Plagiarism Detection, Centre for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, 29th November, 2012

Tamara Brathwaite
- UWI Discovers Brazil (May-June 2013)

- Public & professional service of staff i.e., membership of staff on committees and boards and other forms of public and professional service deemed worthy of mention.

Cherill Farrell
  Member - Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago (LATT)
  Member - Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIP)
  Member - Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL)
  Member - American Library Association (ALA)
  Member - Patron of Queens Hall
  Member - St. Augustine Campus Libraries User Survey Committee

Joy Smith
  Member - Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago (LATT)

Tamara Brathwaite
  Member - Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago (LATT)
  Associate Member - Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIP)
  Personal Member - American Library Association (ALA)
  Life Member - National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago
  Member - Network of NGOS of Trinidad and Tobago for the Advancement of Women

3. Administrative, Technical and Service Staff

- New employee support programmes
  Guidelines were developed for Student Assistants detailing the work policy and practices recommended for employment at the Library, Institute of International Relations
● Workshops and training attended

**Cristal Warner**  
IEEE Explorer (Engineering Village), AJL, 21st September, 2012  
Banner Finance, in-house session conducted by Mr. John Mohammed of The Bursary,  
7th November, 2012

**Carrill Melville**  
Currently pursuing a Masters degree in Mediation Studies at UWI St Augustine  
Banner Finance, in-house session conducted by Mr. John Mohammed of The Bursary,  
7th November, 2012  
Risk Assessment, Human Resources, 29th November, 2012  
Wiley Online Library, AJL, 19th March, 2013

**Gina Ravello**  
Introduction to Lexis Library, AJL, 20th September, 2012  
Innovation and Creativity in the Workplace, Human Resources, 20th/22nd November, 2012  
An Introduction to Legal Information Resources, AJL, 18th April, 2013

C. **STRATEGY APPRAISAL**

The Library’s input into the Institute’s Strategic Plan, 2012 - 2017 and the Work Programme, 2012 to 2013 was duly prepared and submitted for consideration. With the arrival of a new Director at the beginning of Semester II, these plans are being reviewed and finalized.

Members of Staff were apprised of the Campus Library Committees for 2012 to 2014 and were invited to participate on select Committees. In May 2013, the Library received a draft copy of the Campus Libaries Service Charter for consideration.

As a contribution to the overall efficiency of the University towards achieving the goals outlined in the Strategic Plan, Miss Tamara Brathwaite, Librarian II at the Institute, served as Information Literacy Coordinator for the St. Augustine Campus Libraries during the period April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013.
D. DEPARTMENT OUTREACH

COSTAATT
The Library facilitated the hosting and training of a COSTAATT Intern, Miss Marsha Lewis, during the period June 10th to 27th, 2013

SCREENING OF “CHILDREN OF WAR”
In commemoration of Universal Children’s Day, November 20th, 2012, the Library screened the award winning documentary “Children of War” and invited Wayde Ramnarine of the United Nations Information Centre (UNIC), to chair the session

BOOK LAUNCH IN THE LIBRARY
The IIR Library gained media coverage in St. Lucia with the hosting of the book launch of Dr. Gale T.C. Rigobert, former alumna / Lecturer at the Institute, and now St. Lucian Parliamentarian. On Monday 18th February 2013, Dr. Rigobert returned to the Institute’s Library to launch her book “Bridging the Digital Divide?: Prospects for Caribbean Development in the New Techno-economic Paradigm.” Copies of the publication were presented to the Director of the Institute, the Institute’s Library and the Head of West Indiana and Special Collections of the Alma Jordan Library, Dr. Glenroy Taitt.

“BACK PACK” INITIATIVE WITH A NON GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION
In commemoration of Nelson Mandela International Day on July 18th, the IIR Library partnered with a nongovernmental organization, the Project for Educational Excellence and launched a back pack drive to collect book bags for needy children for the beginning of the new school year. The Library successfully garnered forty four back packs with this initiative. The back pack drive kicked off on July 18th and culminated on July 31st. The initiative was also featured on several news sites.

E. REVENUE GENERATING/ COST CONTAINMENT ACTIVITIES

The income generating account which was set up for the Library in 2010 for the receipt of fines/ lost book/replacement charges and the receipt of monetary gifts, stood at $29,348.36 as of July 31st, 2013
F. **DISTINGUISHED VISITORS**

Mr. Carlyle Best  
Librarian, Special Collections  
Main Library  
The University of the West Indies  
Cave Hill, Barbados

G. **PROJECTED ACTIVITIES FOR THE 2013/2014 ACADEMIC YEAR**

- Proposed new areas of activity  
  - Blended version of the IL course  
  - Creation of a Handbook /Research guide for students of IIR

- Planned events /special initiatives  
  - The hosting of “informal conversations”, discussions, book readings in the Library  
  - Creating information products/mounting a display to commemorate UWI’s International Week  
  - Partnership with the Faculty of Law with regard to IL initiatives

- Planned restructuring of functions/activities  
  - Continuing with the implementation of the Aleph Serials and Acquisitions procedures  
  - Streamlining the serials and acquisitions workflow from January 2014  
  - Review and upgrade of the IIR website with particular reference to the information, display and usability of content related to the IIR Library  
  - Review and maintenance of a map collection in keeping with the research needs of Staff and Students

H. **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS**  
(Only Where Applicable)

**NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS AND RELATED WORKS**


**Brathwaite, Tamara** and **Cherill Farrell.** The Library at the Institute of International Relations. Libguide. [http://libguides.sta.uwi.edu/iir_library](http://libguides.sta.uwi.edu/iir_library).
Brathwaite, Tamara and Niala Dwarika-Bhagat Citation Analysis, simplified - measuring your research impact. Libguide. http://libguides.sta.uwi.edu/citationanalysis.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

1. Co-Curriculum

The existing curriculum has not been reviewed for some time and there is need for this to be done.

A committee consisting of two members of staff are currently in the process of compiling a report.

A retreat is to be planned for early April, 2013 to discuss the recommendations with respect to a more contemporary curriculum.

There are staff and budgetary implications coming out of these discussions.
2. Proposal for a Diplomatic Academy

Concept Brief

I. Background

Since its inception, the Institute of International Relations (IIR) has devoted itself to the teaching and training of Diplomats, Government Officials and NGO Representatives. Located on the Campus of the University of the West Indies in St. Augustine, the IIR has attracted a significant number of post-graduate diploma, MSc, MPhil and PhD students who are trained in international relations and diplomacy. However, over the years the IIR has gradually shifted its focus towards a more academic and theoretical programme with respect to its teaching and its research, and away from offering more pragmatic and varied modules that would prepare students for a career in diplomacy. As a result, the IIR lost some of its appeal as a training ground for would-be and actual career diplomats. The unfortunate end result has been that the main governments of the Caribbean region that financially supported the IIR gradually withdraw their support, with the exception of Trinidad & Tobago. This year, the IIR hired a new Director who has proposed a return to the original mandate of the institute as a regional training forum for diplomats and for students interested in working within regional and multilateral arenas. His approach is to combine theory and praxis in building capacity for leadership in both international relations and diplomacy.

II. Rational

In an era of globalization, complex interdependence, and momentous global change, diplomats must constantly update their knowledge, skills and aptitudes to be effective in practice of contemporary international relations and diplomacy. The traditional model of diplomacy, as an element of statecraft reserved for an elite group that develops a country’s foreign policy almost entirely in secret, is long over. Diplomacy is no longer the sole reserve of Foreign Ministries. It is being undertaken by many government ministries as well as by some private sector individuals and other actors within civil society. The advent of instant media, social media and information technology (IT) has meant that club models of diplomacy, which pretend to be hermetically sealed from exogenous and endogenous influences, are basically a dying breed. The new diplomat is a public
diplomat. New diplomacy must engage with domestic and external societies in which they are operating and they must learn the tools of communication that facilitate the multiplication of a government’s foreign policy message.

The time has come for the establishment of a **Diplomatic Academy** for the Caribbean region, and that this academy be housed in the IIR – a regional institute with the original mandate of training the next generation of diplomats and political leaders. Thus, this academy will be an integral part of the IIR, which is currently funded by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago. As the diplomatic training arm of the IIR, the Academy will help to reestablish the relevance of the IIR and brand the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago as a true leader within CARICOM and the wider Caribbean and Latin American region.

### III. The Offerings

It is proposed that the Diplomatic Academy, in its initial phase, proceeds with programme design and development focusing on training modules that can be laddered up into a diploma or graduate certification. Course can be offered using blended learning – a combination of on-line and on-site learning – and in synchronous and asynchronous modes. This can be done in collaboration with the Open Campus and would make it easier for those individuals who want to upgrade their qualifications while working full-time. The delivery of such courses would require the hiring of some additional full-time staff in the IIR, but the delivery of specific modules could also be done by invited, highly regarded practitioners in the field of IR and diplomacy. The Academy would eventually require additional space to the temporary buildings that currently house the IIR.

The Modules offered should consist of:

1) An annual professional training programme (3 months) on the processes and issues of contemporary diplomacy, in order to attract qualified nationals not only from Trinidad & Tobago, but also from other CARICOM Countries.

2) The start-up of a policy research programme on current issues of international relations and diplomacy, relevant to the needs and requirements of regional governments.

3) Periodic, brief and intensive Executive Seminars for senior policy personnel, both governmental and non-governmental.
4) Networked Diplomatic modules involving cooperative arrangements with numbers of high standard diplomatic training centers both, in the developed and developing world.

5) The setting up of a special language laboratory, in collaboration with the Centre for Language Learning (CLL) at the UWI, St. Augustine.

6) The continuation of the IIR/Ministry of Foreign Affairs joint publication of the “Caribbean Journal of International Relations and Diplomacy” to ensure the dissemination of academic and policy relevant/practitioner views on theories and trends in IR and Diplomacy.

IV. Resource Requirements

In light of the above, the following required resources are identified:

1) **Staffing:** While some of the Institute’s Staff will be involved in the running of the Diplomatic Academy, there is need to have one (1) senior (diplomatic) expert/fellow as Head of the Academy, supported by at least two (2) qualified teaching/research Assistants. Resources will also be needed to bring temporary lecturers and visiting scholars to the Academy to complement and enrich the Programmes.

2) **Infrastructure:** Expansion of office and classroom space, library space and additional IT equipment. Also, the setting up and operating of the language laboratory. The new Director of IIR is proposing a new building to house the institute and the academy to be funded through public-private partnership (PPP).

3) **Funding:** The funding required for the First Year of Operations of the Diplomatic Academy, over and above the funds required for the Institute (and not including the cost of a new building), is estimated at:
BUDGET

(I) **Staffing** – I senior diplomat/expert, plus invited temporary experts and resource persons  
2,132,000.00

(ii) **Programme Cost**, including teaching and training materials  
Diplomatic Dialogues and Distinguished Lecture Series  
120,000.00

(iii) **Infrastructure**: Estimates (not including capital costs for proposed new building)  
200,000.00

(iv) **Incidentals**: 15%  
Branding, Marketing, Promotions, Hospitality, Insurance, etc.  
456,300.00

(v) **Journal (CJIRD)**:  
450,000.00

(vi) UWI’s 20% overhead costs  
699,660.00

**Estimated Total**  
**TT$4,057,960.00**

**Two year budget request**  
**TT$ 8,115,920.00**
IIR’s RESEARCH AGENDA
AN AGENDA FOR RESEARCH AND ACTION

AN AGENDA FOR RESEARCH AND ACTION -- IIR, The Next 5 years

First, we will build the foundation of the research agenda on four pillars: 1) Security; 2) Sustainable Development; 3) Human Rights; and 4) Humanitarian Action to Protect the most vulnerable.

Below are 20 themes which I would like the Institute to tackle. Each should fall under one or more of the above pillars.

1. Hemispheric Security Challenges
2. Corruption and Crime in the Caribbean
3. Extremism and Terrorism -- Sleeper Cells in the Region
4. Human Rights and Sustainable Development
5. Remapping of Regional Organizations in the Caribbean, Central America and Latin America
6. Xenoracism and the Challenges of Migration in the Caribbean
7. The Caribbean Security Basin Initiative
8. Oil and Gas -- The Resource Curse?
9. Challenges of Small States and the Responsibility to Protect
10. Pooling Sovereignty - Helping Small Caribbean States Punch Above their Weight
11. Maternal and Child Health
12. Climate Change, Man-made and Natural Disasters and Caribbean Responses
13. MDGs post 2015
14. Caribbean-China Relations and relations with the BRICS: A critical view

15. The Future of CARICOM

16. Caribbean position on emerging powers and the state of US Hegemony

17. Non-Communicable Diseases

18. Diplomatic Training - building capacity for multilateral diplomacy in the region.

19. Revisiting Regional Integration: Learning the Lessons of the EU

20. Economic Diversification and Competitiveness: Lessons to be learned
Skype meeting between Institute of International Relations (IIR) and the European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM)

March 5 2013

Meeting Objectives

1. Introduction of Professor Andy Knight, new Director of the IIR and ECDPM (H.E. P.I Gomes, Chair; Paul Engle, Director; and Geert Laporte - Deputy Director)
2. Identification of areas of mutual interest for collaboration between the IIR and ECDPM. The areas identified are based on the research agenda of both organizations.

Areas of common interest

1. The Post 2015 Development Agenda
   (a) the place of the Caribbean in the development framework;
   (b) monitoring and assessment
2. Differentiation
   (a) The EU’s evolving relationship with middle income countries;
   (b) The Caribbean versus emerging economies in the differentiation discussion
3. Food security and food sovereignty
4. Energy security and water security
5. Emerging economies in the Caribbean
   (a) Impact of the Caribbean’s relationship with emerging economies on the former’s relationship with traditional partners;
   (b) South - South cooperation and diversification of relationships;
   (c) China in the extractive sector;
   (d) China’s development model: human rights and good governance;
   (e) China’s role in the Caribbean in the post 2020 context
6. Remapping of Regional Organizations in the Caribbean, Central America and Latin America
7. The Future of Caricom
8. Revisiting Regional Integration: Learning the Lessons of the EU
9. Oil and Gas -- The Resource Curse?
10. Challenges of small states and the responsibility to protect
11. The Joint Caribbean-EU Strategy (JCEUS)
12. Caribbean case studies for OECD work and Policy Coherence for Development
Both parties explained the relevance of the research to their constituents and said that the research would build on existing /ongoing projects/research of the respective organizations.

**Other areas of Collaboration**

*Staff Exchanges and Internships*

The meeting also discussed the possibility of continuing the staff exchanges and working towards IIR hosting someone from ECDPM for a semester. Professor Knight mentioned that this would build the capacity of the Institute and person would do both research and teaching. The possibility of ECDPM hosting interns was also discussed.

*Publications*

ECDPM was invited to publish in the new IIR Journal – Caribbean Journal of International Relations and Diplomacy

*Conferences and Seminars*

(a) The ECDPM was invited to participate in the upcoming IIR China, Caribbean and Canada Conference in the Caribbean

(b) IIR and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs could possibly host Amina Mohammed to speak on the MDGs. The ECDPM invited to present the European Report on Development and related work they are conducting or have conducted in this area.