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A Tribute to

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PROGRAMME – WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 8TH 2008

8:00 am – 9:00 am

Conference Registration

9:00 am – 10:00 am

OPENING CEREMONY

9:00 am – 9:05 am

Welcome

DR. MARLENE ATTZS

Lecturer – Department of Economics and Conference Chair

9:05 am – 9:10 am

Welcome Remarks

PROF. DENNIS PANTIN

Head – Department of Economics

9:10 am – 9:20 am

Greetings

DR. HAMID GHANY

Dean and Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Social Sciences

9:20 am – 9:30 am

Opening Remarks

PROF. RHODA REDDOCK

Deputy Principal – St. Augustine Campus

9:30 am – 10:00 am

Feature Address

SIR COURTNEY BLACKMAN

International Business Consultant

“THE GLOBAL FINANCIAL CRISIS AND THE COLLAPSE OF THE NEO-LIBERAL PARADIGM”

10:00 am – 10:05 am

Closing Remarks

DR. MARLENE ATTZS

Lecturer – Department of Economics and Conference Chair

10:05 am – 10:30 am

Coffee Break

SESSION I – WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 8TH 2008

OIL AND THE MACRO-ECONOMY

SESSION CHAIR

DR. PATRICK WATSON

Director, Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social & Economic Studies (SALISES)

10:30 am – 10:50 am

FEATURE PAPER

“PETROLEUM AND THE ECONOMY: SOME IDEAS ON MEETING THE 21ST CENTURY CHALLENGES”

Prepared by

GREGORY MC GUIRE AND MICHAEL JOHN

Presented by

MR. GREGORY MC GUIRE

Lecturer, Department of Economics

PANELISTS

10:50 am – 11:05 am

DR. SHELTON NICHOLLS

Deputy Governor, Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago

“OIL AND THE ECONOMY: THE MACROECONOMIC IMPACT”

11:05 am – 11:20 am

DR. LESTER HENRY

Lecturer, Department of Economics

11:20 am – 11:35 am

DR. ERIC ST. CYR

Research Fellow, Lloyd Best Institute of the West Indies

“CHOICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT OF THE T&T ECONOMY”

11:35 am – 12:00 noon

Discussion

12:00 noon – 1:00 pm

Lunch – UWI Staff Social Club

Feature Presentation during the lunch interval

MR. SUBHAS RAMKHELAWAN

Managing Director, Bourse Securities Limited

“FINANCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP”

SESSION II – WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 8TH 2008

TECHNOLOGY, INDUSTRIAL POLICIES AND THE DIVERSIFICATION CHALLENGE

SESSION CHAIR

DR. ANNE-MARIE MOHAMMED

Lecturer, Department of Economics

1:00 pm – 1:20 pm

FEATURE PAPER

**“TECHNOLOGY POLICY FOR SMALL ECONOMIES:
CONTINUING RELEVANCE FOR THE CONTEMPORARY
CARIBBEAN - THE CONTRIBUTION OF TMA FARRELL”**

DR. GILLIAN MARCELLE

*Associate Professor, WITS Business School,
Johannesburg, South Africa*

PANELISTS

1:20 pm – 1:40 pm

PROF. DENNIS PANTIN

Head Department of Economics

1:40 pm – 2:00 pm

DR. AULIANA POON

*Managing Director,
Tourism Intelligence International*

2:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Discussion

Close of Day I

DR. MARLENE ATTZS

Lecturer, Department of Economics and Conference Chair

SESSION III – THURSDAY OCTOBER 9TH 2008

REGIONAL INTEGRATION IN AN ERA OF GLOBALIZATION

SESSION CHAIR

DR. ELIZABETH PARSAN

Trade Consultant

8:30 am – 9:00 am

FEATURE PAPER ON REGIONAL INTEGRATION

PROF. NORMAN GIRVAN

Professorial Research Fellow,

The UWI Institute of International Relations

PANELISTS

9:00 am – 9:20 am

PROF. TIMOTHY M. SHAW (PhD Princeton)

Director, Institute of International Relations

9:20 am – 9:40 am

DR. ROGER HOSEIN

Lecturer, Department of Economics

9:40 am – 10:00 am

Discussion

10:00 am – 10:30 am

Coffee Break

SESSION IV – THURSDAY OCTOBER 9TH 2008

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SECTOR ISSUES

SESSION CHAIR

MR. ROGER MCLEAN

Lecturer, Department of Economics

10:30 am – 11:00 am

FEATURE PAPER ON LABOUR & SOCIAL SECTOR ISSUES OILFIELDS WORKERS' TRADE UNION

PANELISTS

11:00 am – 11:15 am

DR. RALPH HENRY

Principal Consultant, Kairi Consultants Limited

11:15 am – 11:30 am

MS. SHANMATEE SINGH

*Acting Director of Research and Planning
Ministry of Labour & Small and Micro Enterprise Development*

11:30 am – 11:45 am

PROF. KARL THEODORE

*Professor & Coordinator,
Health Economics Unit Centre*

11:45 am – 12:15 pm

Discussion

12:15 noon – 1:30 pm

Lunch – UWI Staff Social Club

1:30 pm – 2:00 pm

An Address by

DR. TREVOR M.A. FARRELL

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SESSION V – THURSDAY OCTOBER 9TH 2008

2:00 pm – 3:50 pm

PANEL DISCUSSION

THE WAY FORWARD FOR T&T – WHITHER VISION 2020?”

SESSION CHAIR

REPRESENTATIVE OF CLICO INVESTMENT BANK

PANELISTS

“The Economy”

PROF. DENNIS PANTIN

Head, Department of Economics

“The Social Sector”

PROF. KARL THEODORE

Professor & Coordinator,

Health Economics Unit Centre

“Governance”

DR. DHANAYSHAR MAHABIR

Lecturer, Department of Economics – “Governance”

“Financial Services”

MR. LYNDON GUISEPPI

Chief Executive Officer, BB Holdings Limited

“Agriculture”

DR. CARLISLE PEMBERTON

Head, Department of Agricultural Economics & Extension

“Ethics in Business and Economic Development”

MR. SURENDRA ARJOON

Senior Lecturer in Ethics and Decision Sciences,

Department of Management Studies

“Vision 2020”

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING,
HOUSING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Close of COTE 08

PROF. DENNIS PANTIN

Head, Department of Economics

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