

**16<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Legal and Policy Issues in the Americas**  
**Monday, May 11, 2015**  
**Martin H. Levin Advocacy Center, University of Florida Levin College of Law**  
**Gainesville, Florida**

8-8:30 a.m.           **Registration**  
Lobby, Advocacy Center

8:30-9:25 a.m.       **Opening Session**  
Courtroom, Advocacy Center

**Welcome: Jon Mills**, Dean Emeritus, Professor of Law & Director, Center for Governmental Responsibility, University of Florida

**Stephen N. Zack**, Boies, Schiller & Flexner, LLP, Miami, Florida; Past President, American Bar Association

**Julia Sweig**, Senior Research Fellow, Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, University of Texas; formerly the Nelson and David Rockefeller Senior Fellow for Latin American Studies and Director for Latin American Studies, Council on Foreign Relations; author, *Inside the Cuban Revolution: Fidel Castro and the Urban Underground* (Harvard University Press) and *Cuba: What Everyone Needs to Know* (Oxford University Press)

9:25-9:45 a.m.  
**John Caulfield**, Chief of Mission of the U.S. Interests Section to Cuba (Retired), Jacksonville, Florida

9:45-10:05 a.m.  
**Jose R. Cabanas**, Chief of the Cuban Interests Section, Washington, D.C.

10:05-10:15 a.m.     **Coffee Break**

10:15-10:50 a.m.  
**Working with Legal Practitioners in Cuba**  
**Antonio Zamora**, Of Counsel, Lex International Law Firm, Miami, Florida

**Carlos Ernesto Loumiet**, Partner, Broad and Cassel, Miami, Florida

10:50-11:45 a.m.  
**University of Florida Activities in Cuba**  
**Moderator: Philip J. Williams**, Director, Center for Latin American Studies

**William A. Messina**, Agricultural Economist, Food and Resource Economics Department, IFAS; Co-Director, Research initiatives on agriculture and fisheries sectors in Cuba

**Fred Royce**, Agricultural and Biological Engineering, IFAS; Program Manager for cooperative agreement between the University of Havana and the University of Florida

*Lillian Guerra*, Professor of Cuban and Caribbean History, UF Department of History; Director, UF Cuba program for academic exchange, Center for Latin American Studies

11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

**Legal Education**

*Pedro Malavet*, Professor & Director of LL.M. in Comparative Law Program, University of Florida Levin College of Law

*Daniela Vargas*, Professor, Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

*Carmen Diana Deere*, Distinguished Professor, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida

12:45-12:55 p.m. **Questions and Comments**

12:55 p.m. **Presentation of “2015 Jon Mills Award for Significant Contributions to Relations Between Florida and the Americas”**

1-2 p.m. **Lunch**, Faculty Dining Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Bruton-Geer Hall

2-3 p.m.

**Environment and Agriculture**

*Timothy McLendon*, Staff Attorney, Center for Governmental Responsibility, University of Florida Levin College of Law

*Michael Olexa*, Professor, Department of Food and Resource Economics, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida

*Paulo Roberto Pereira de Souza*, Professor, University of Marília, Brazil

*Richard Hamann*, Associate in Law Research, Center for Governmental Responsibility, University of Florida Levin College of Law

3-3:15 p.m. **Questions and Comments**

3:15-3:30 p.m. **Coffee Break**

3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Trade and Investment**

*Stephen J. Powell*, Director of International Trade Law Program, University of Florida Levin College of Law

*Antonio Zamora*, Of Counsel, Lex International Law Firm, Miami, Florida

*James M. Meyer*, Harper Meyer Perez Hagan O’Connor Albert & Dribin LLP, Miami, Florida

*Johannes Werner*, Editor of *Cuba News*, Tampa, Florida

4:30-5 p.m. **Questions and Comments**

5-6 p.m.

**Summary Discussion**

*Moderator: Jon Mills*

6:30 p.m.

**Reception**

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