



Globalization, Climate Change and Rural Resilience: The Challenge of Sustainable Development in the Caribbean and Beyond

Opening Ceremony

Mona Visitors' Lodge & Conference Centre
University of the West Indies, Mona
Wednesday, May 9, 2012
4:00 p.m.

Programme

- 3:00 – 3:45 **EARLY REGISTRATION**
- 4:00 **Opening Chair**
Prof. Brian Meeks
Director, SALISES, UWI Mona
- 4:05 – 4:35 **Welcomes and Remarks**
Prof. E. Nigel Harris
Vice-Chancellor, UWI
Prof. Gordon Shirley
Pro-Vice Chancellor and Principal, UWI Mona
Dr Ulric Trotz
Science Advisor, Caribbean Community Climate Change Center
Hon. Robert Pickersgill
Minister of Water, Land, Environment and Climate Change
- 4:35 – 4:40 **Video short: Climate Change SONG - PANOS**
- 4:40 **Introduction of Guest Speaker - Prof. Brian Meeks**
- 4:45 – 5:15 **Guest Speaker**
'Multiple dimensions of resilience in rural areas and small islands'
Dr. Ede Ijjasz-Vazquez-Director of Sustainable Development, Latin America and the Caribbean; World Bank
- 5:15 – 5:30 **Questions & Answers**
- 5:30 **Introduction of Keynote Speaker**
Dr. Michael Taylor
Head, Department of Physics
- 5:35 – 6:15 **KEY NOTE address**
'The Challenges of Integrated Assessment Studies: A Mediterranean Perspective'
Dr Clare Goodess
Climate Research Unit, University of East Anglia, School for Environmental Sciences
- 6:20 – 6:40 **Questions & Answers**
- 6:40 – 6:50 **PRESENTATIONS and Vote of Thanks**
- 6:45 – 8:00 **Refreshments / Cocktails at the RUINS**

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- Dr. Patricia Northover, Chair: UWI-SALISES, Mona
- Prof. Patrick Watson, Co-Director C- Change Canada Caribbean and University Director of SALISES
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