Latin American and Hemispheric Studies Program

Venezuela in the Twenty-first Century: Democratic Trajectories and Global Relations

Monday, January 28, 2008

Welcome and coffee
9:45 am – 10:00 am
Prof. Cynthia McClintock: Director, Latin American and Hemispheric Studies Program

Panel 1: Democratic Trajectories in Venezuela
10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Confirmed Panelists
Teodoro Petkoff: Editor, of Tal Cual, founder of the MAS party, and three-time presidential candidate
Dr. Ana María Sanjuan: Director, Center for Peace at the Central University of Venezuela

Keynote Lunch Addresses
12:15 pm – 2:00 pm
Featuring
Ambassador Bernardo Álvarez Herrera: Venezuelan Ambassador to the United States
Invited
Dr. Thomas Shannon: Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs, U.S. Dept. of State

Panel 2: Venezuela’s Global Relations
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Confirmed panelists
Prof. Michael Shifter: Vice President for Policy, Inter-American Dialogue
Prof. Jennifer McCoy: Director, Americas Program at The Carter Center
Invited panelists
Dr. Julia Sweig: Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations
Prof. Daniel Hellinger: Professor of Political Science, Webster University

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