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# **RACIAL EQUITY IN THE CARIBBEAN**

## Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

10:00 a.m. (Mexico) / 11:00 a.m. (Jamaica)/ 12:00 p.m. (Eastern Caribbean)

Chair: Dr. Myriam Moïse (Université des Antilles / Universities Caribbean)

## **AGENDA**

- **German Ruiz**, ECESELI coordinator, *representing* Dr. Roberto Escalante, SG of UDUAL (Welcome and Greetings from UDUAL).
- Dr. Myriam Moïse (Welcome and Introduction)

<u>Speaker 1</u>: Professor Consuelo Naranjo-Orovio "Why is it Necessary to Continue Studying Race and Racism in the 21st Century?"

<u>Speaker 2</u>: Dr. Daniel Mato "Racism, Human Rights and Higher Education in Latin America".

<u>Speaker 3</u>: Professor Sir Hilary Beckles "Economic Injustice: Racial Consequences"

- Q&A
- Dr. Myriam Moïse (Conclusion)

Simultaneous translation will be provided: French, Spanish and English.

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#### Professor Consuelo Naranjo-Orovio

Consuelo Naranjo is Professor at the Institute of History CCHS (CSIC). She is the author of diverse books, scientific monographs and book chapters. She has been the editor of collective works and more than 70 research essays published both nationally and internationally, written individually and/or collectively as a result of an intense scientific collaboration with numerous specialists in the relevant fields. She has lectured and given conferences at several universities in various countries in Europe and America. Furthermore, she has organized and participated in countless scientific events, and has contributed to more than 80 congresses

both in Spain and abroad. She is member of Academia de Historia de Cuba and Academia Mexicana de Ciencias

She is the Director of the Comparative Studies Group on Caribbean and Atlantic World (GECCMA; <u>www.reccma.es</u>), where she carries out studies in relation to social and cultural history in the XIX and XX centuries, particularly regarding migratory processes, the Spanish republican exile, cultural and scientific relations between Spain and America, cultural identities, race, racialization and discrimination. Such extensive research work has resulted in 12 research projects directed and an outstanding scientific output, as well as the beginning of national and international scientific relations: Caribbean Studies Network and Caribbean Work Group within the AHILA framework. She is currently Research Director of the projects: "*Antillean Space: origins, circulation and redistribution of peoples, commodities, ideas, knowledge and models (18th-21th Centuries)*"; "Network of Studies on Slavery and Race in Iberoamerica and the Caribbean". She is Director of *History of Antilles*, in five volumes about Cuba, Dominican Republic, Porto Rico, Other Antilles, Comparative Studies on Antilles.



#### Dr. Daniel Mato

Dr Mato is Doctor in Social Sciences, and principal researcher at the National Council for Scientific and Technical Research and at Universidad Nacional Tres de Febrero (UNTREF) in Argentina. He is the holder of the UNESCO Chair of Higher Education and Indigenous and Afro descendant peoples in Latin America, and the Coordinator of the Latin American Inter-University Network on Higher Education and Indigenous and Afro-descendant Peoples.

Since 1986, he has developed various work experiences in

collaboration with indigenous and Afro-descendant intellectuals and organizations from several Latin American countries. He is the author of numerous articles and books on cultural diversity and higher education. Between 1979 and 2010 he was a research-professor at Universidad Central de Venezuela, and a Visiting Professor at several universities in various Latin American countries, Spain and the US.



### **Professor Sir Hilary Beckles**

Sir Hilary Beckles is Vice-Chancellor of The University of the West Indies. Before assuming this office on May 1, 2015, he served the University as Professor of Economic History, Pro Vice-Chancellor for Undergraduate Studies, and Principal of its Cave Hill Campus in Barbados for thirteen years (2002–2015). He has had a distinguished career as an academic, international thought leader, United Nations committee official, and global public activist in the field of social justice and minority empowerment. In 2018, he was elected President of *Universities Caribbean*, the rebranded organization of Caribbean Universities and Research Institutes.

Sir Hilary received his higher education in the United Kingdom and graduated in 1976 with a BA (Hons) degree in Economic and Social History from The University of Hull, and a PhD from the same university in 1980. He has lectured extensively in Europe, the Americas, Africa, and Asia, and has published over 100 peer reviewed essays in scholarly journals, and 12 books on subjects ranging from

Atlantic and Caribbean History, gender relations in the Caribbean, sport development, and popular culture.

He was invited by Secretary General of the United Nations, Ban Ki Moon, to serve as an inaugural member of his task force on "Science and Sustainable Development". He was also invited by UNESCO to serve as Editor of the Ninth Volume of the UNESCO General History of Africa. He was also invited by the President of the UN General Assembly to deliver the feature address in 2017 at its sitting to declare the decade for African descendant people."

In 2013 Sir Hilary was invited to coordinate Caribbean governments' policy positions on the global reparatory justice conversation. In this capacity he was asked to Chair the newly established Caribbean Commission on Reparations. Under his guidance the University of the West Indies has established "The Caribbean Centre for Reparations Research". He served as an associate member of the London University Legacies of Slavery Project, and the University of Hull's 'Wilberforce Institute for slavery and Emancipation". He is also member of the United Nations Development Program Advisory Panel for the Caribbean Human Development Report

#### Dr Myriam Moïse



Dr Myriam Moïse is Associate Professor of English at the Université des Antilles in Martinique. Since 2018, she is also the Secretary-General of *Universities Caribbean*, the recently rebranded organization of Caribbean universities and research institutes. She holds a Doctorate in Anglophone Studies from Paris Sorbonne University and a PhD in Literatures in English from the University of the West Indies. Her research fields include Gender Studies, Cultural Studies and Discourse Analysis, with a special focus on Caribbean women of African descent. Her research has been funded by several visiting research fellowships in Europe and the USA: New York University in 2009, Brown University in 2012, University College London in 2018, and a Fulbright Fellowship at Emory University in 2020.

Dr Moïse has published a number of articles in peer-reviewed scholarly journals (*Commonwealth Essays & Studies, PoCo Pages, Vertigo, Wagadu*) and book chapters in edited collections, namely in *Diasporic Women's Writing of the Black Atlantic: (En)Gendering Literature and Performance* (Routledge 2014), *Ville et Environnement: Regards Croisés sur le monde postcolonial* (Michel Houdiard 2014) and *Anthology Vodou I Remember* (Lexington Books 2016). Her most recent work was published in 2020 by Palgrave MacMillan, a collection entitled *Border Transgression and Reconfiguration of Caribbean Spaces*.

Dr Moïse is very committed to developing collaborative research and educational projects in the wider Caribbean region. She is currently engaged in various research activities including the European Union's Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation program "Connected Worlds: The Caribbean, Origin of Modern World" (<u>www.conneccaribbean.com</u>). In 2018, she was elected Executive member of the Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) and she regularly acts as French advisor for the Caribbean Examination Council (CXC) in Barbados.