United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD)

Social Policies in Small States

UNRISD/COMMONWEALTH SECRETARIAT RESEARCH WORKSHOP

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Agenda

MONDAY 1 OCTOBER 2007

Opening Session
9.15 – 9.30  Welcome, Thandika Mkandawire, Director, UNRISD & Dr.Indrajit Coomaraswamy, Director, Economic Affairs Division, Commonwealth Secretariat

Session 1  Presentation of Thematic Papers (I)
10.00 – 10.30  Power of jurisdiction as a tool for promoting social policies, Godfrey Baldacchino
10.30 – 11.00  Social cohesion as a tool for promoting social policies, Jane Jenson
11.00 – 11.15  Discussion
11.15 – 11.30  COFFEE BREAK

Session 2  Presentation of Thematic Papers (II)
11.30 – 12.00  Welfare regimes and social policies, Geoffrey Bertram
12.00 – 12.30  Consensual democracy and social corporatism as tools for promoting social policies, Helen Hintjens
12.30 – 12.45  Discussion
12.45 – 14.30  LUNCH

Session 3  Presentation of Country Studies – Indian Ocean Countries
14.30 – 14.50  Seychelles, Liam Campling
14.50 – 15.10  Mauritius, Shyam Nath
15.10 – 15.30  Discussion – Summary of the findings from the Indian Ocean Countries
**Session 4**  
Presentation of Country Studies – Caribbean Countries

15.30 – 15.50  Barbados, Andrew Silvester Downes  
15.50 – 16.10  Trinidad and Tobago, Patrick Kent Watson  
16.10 – 16.30  Guyana, Mark Kirton  
16.30 – 16.45  Tea Break  
16.45 – 17.05  OECS Countries, Christine Barrow (Co-author Aldrie Henry – Lee)  
17.05 – 17.25  Jamaica, Neville Duncan  
17.25 – 17.45  Discussion – Summary of the findings from the Caribbean Countries  
17.45  End of Day One

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**Tuesday 2 October 2007**

**Session 5**  
Presentation of Country Studies – Pacific Countries

9.00 – 9.20  Tonga and Samoa, Desmond Uelese Amosa (Co-author Saia Kami)  
9.20 – 9.40  Tuvalu and Kiribati, Fakavae Taomia (Co-author John Connell)  
9.40 – 10.00  Fiji, Paresh Kumar Narayan  
10.00 – 10.20  Vanuatu and Solomon Islands, Biman Chand Prasad (Co-author Paul Kausimae)  
10.20 – 10.40  Discussion – Summary of the findings from the Pacific Countries  
10.40 – 11.00  Coffee Break

**Session 6**  
Presentation of Country Studies – African and Mediterranean Countries

11.00 – 11.20  Lesotho and Swaziland, Benjamin Roberts (Co-author Julian May)  
11.20 – 11.40  Malta and Cyprus, Frances Camilleri-Cassar (Co-author Andreas Theophanous)  
11.40 – 12.00  Discussion – Summary of the findings from the African and Mediterranean Countries  
12.00 – 13.30  Lunch Break

**Session 7**  
Next Steps – Discussion

13.30 – 15.30  General Discussion  
15.30 – 15.45  Tea Break  
15.45 – 17.30  Planning of output and timetable  
17.30  End of Day Two