

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT in HAITI
Investment, International Assistance and
Governance

FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2002

Trinity College Haiti Program, Washington, DC
The National Organization for the Advancement of Haitians (NOAH)

8:30 ***Registration & Coffee***

9:00 – 9:15 ***Welcome: Joseph Baptiste, President, NOAH***
Introduction: Bob Maguire, Director, Trinity College Haiti
Program

Morning Program

9:15 – 10:30 **Haitian-American Investment in Haiti: Prospects, Needs,**
Obstacles

Moderator: Robert Nicolas, NOAH

Speakers:

- ***Dumas Siméus***, Siméus Food International, Texas
- ***Edwidge Armand***, Tropical Salt Corporation, New York
- ***Michael Gay***, Gay Construction Corporation, Florida

10:45 – noon **Investment Programs and Strategies: Views from Haiti**

Moderator: Bob Maguire, Trinity College Haiti Program

Speakers:

- ***Ann B. Hauge***, Le Port International, St. Louis du Sud
- ***Gilbert Léger***, Cabinet Léger, Port-au-Prince
- ***John Walker***, Matraco-Colorado Holding, Ltd.

12:15 – 1:30 **Buffet Lunch**

Featured Speaker:

- ***Congresswoman Corrine Brown*** (D-FL), United States House of Representatives

Afternoon Program

1:45 – 3:15 International Investment and Assistance

Moderator: Jim Morrell, Center for International Policy

Speakers:

- Ramon Martinez Aponte, Hispaniola Investment Fund, Dominican Republic
- Carlo Dade, Inter-American Foundation, Virginia
- David Adams, U.S. Agency for International Development, Port-au-Prince, Haiti

3:30 – 5:00 Stimulating Investment: Public Policies and Programs

Moderator: Robert Fatton, University of Virginia

Speakers:

- Stanley Théard, Minister of Commerce, Government of Haiti
- Marc Louis Bazin, Minister of External Cooperation

5:00 *Concluding Comments and Adjournment: Bob Maguire and Joseph E. Baptiste*

5:15 – 6:30 Reception