Overview

For SALISES, this was a year of transition and change. Professor Neville Duncan, who was the Director of the Institute for most of its first decade, retired in July 2009 and was succeeded by Professor Brian Meeks of the Department of Government. In November, Senior Secretary Doreen Blake, sadly passed on. Dr Patsy Lewis went off on sabbatical leave and was replaced for the year by Dr Peter Clegg from the University of the West of England. Dr Patricia Northover was approved for tenure and promoted to Senior Research Fellow. Dr Warren Benfield resigned from his post as Research Fellow in order to take up a new position internationally. Retired Professor in the Department of Government, Dr Trevor Munroe and former Deputy Director of the Planning Institute of Jamaica Dr Peter John Gordon assumed one year positions as Visiting Fellows. As the year ended, two members of the Documentation and Data Centre retired. They are librarian Ms Norma Davis and library assistant Mrs Beverley Lothian. Dr Kimberly Robinson-Walcott, editor of special publications, is scheduled to assume a new position at the journal Caribbean Quarterly and Dr Jennifer Wynter Palmer, Senior Research Fellow at the Mona School of Business and SALISES will be moving to the Office of Administration on a special assignation.
There were two activities that defined the year. The first was the **Quality Assurance Exercise**, which was undertaken in February across the entire Institute, at Mona, Cave Hill and St Augustine. Among the critical proposals made by the international assessment team were:

- To reassess the relative priority and proportion of resources to be allocated to teaching relative to research in the light of the mission of SALISES and its specific responsibility for research.
- To focus the areas of research and teaching more sharply in relation to the overall mission of the Institute.
- To rethink and reorganise the governance model for SALISES in relation to the University, the relationship between the individual centres and the involvement of the staff within the centres themselves.

The recommendations will be discussed and plans for their implementation developed in a retreat in August 2010.

The second major thrust was in the design and launch of a SALISES Mona research programme, which is entitled **‘Fifty-Fifty: Critical reflections in a time of uncertainty’**. The year 2012 marks fifty years since both Jamaica (August 6) and Trinidad and Tobago (August 31) gained independence from Great Britain. The aim is to utilise the entire research staff of SALISES along with associates from the Faculty of Social Sciences, other faculties and beyond the UWI, to initiate a discussion around the fiftieth anniversary of Anglo-Caribbean independence and the way forward for the next fifty years. In February **Fifty-Fifty** was formally launched. Retired Vice Chancellor **Sir Alister McIntyre** and former Governor General of Jamaica and retired Principal of Mona, **Sir Kenneth Hall** have agreed to act as members of the Advisory Board for the project. Two further meetings were held with potential research assistants. The first seminars in the Fifty-Fifty project are expected to begin in the latter part of 2010. The SALISES annual research conference in 2011 will involve a call for papers around the Fifty-Fifty theme and in late 2012 a major conference will be held as the culminating activity in the fifty-fifty agenda. A steady stream of articles, Social and Economic Studies (SES)
volumes and books is expected, along with audio visual and net-based productions, including, potentially, a documentary film on the project.

A new, energetic Colloquium Series was initiated with Drs Clegg and Wynter-Palmer in charge. Topics included:

November: Jennifer Wynter-Palmer, seminar on her research on workforce productivity in the Jamaica Hotel Industry.

December: Panel discussion, (including IMF representative) ‘A Role for the IMF in the Caribbean?’

February: Two advanced MPhil/PhD students presented on their current research work.

March: Dr. Peter John Gordon discussed his research on financing tertiary education.

April: Panel discussion (including the Minister of National Security, Hon. Dwight Nelson) entitled ‘Civil Society in Jamaica: Resignation or Resurrection?’

Aside from the individual participation of Fellows in a variety of conferences and seminars, SALISES was directly involved in three major conferences. The annual Caribbean Child Research Conference, in which Dr Aldrie Henry Lee has played a leading role as coordinator, was once again successfully staged in October 2009. This year, the conference varied from its traditional format in focusing on the original research of high school students on a variety of topics pertinent to children’s rights.

In March, SALISES held its annual conference in Trinidad and Tobago under the theme “Turmoil and Turbulence in Small Developing States: Going beyond survival”. This was the turn of SALISES St Augustine under the leadership of Professor Patrick Watson. Over 100 papers were delivered in a well attended and organised event.

In July, SALISES along with Duke University hosted the seminar ‘States of Freedom; Freedom of States’. With Dr. Pat Northover playing a leading role. This event is expected to stimulate a long and fruitful relationship between UWI and Duke.
Plans are in place for the revamping of *Social and Economic Studies*, to reaffirm its position as a premier journal of the social sciences in the Caribbean. A new look editorial board has been appointed and the aim is to significantly improve the timeliness of all aspects of the journal and to strengthen its intellectual content in the coming year.

Plans have also been discussed to renovate the **Documentation and Data Centre** and in particular, to upgrade the George Beckford Room, as a small but significant archival centre for the social sciences at Mona.

**Looking Forward**

The aim for 2010-2011, based on the **Quality Assurance** recommendations, is to strengthen the quality and quantity of original research emanating from SALISES while consolidating the teaching dimension of our work. In this respect, the **Fifty-Fifty project** will play the leading role in establishing a credible programme of coordinated and relevant research aimed at further understanding the social political and economic situation in the Caribbean in order to make informed and concrete proposals as to how to improve it.

**Administration**

**MSc, MPhil and PhD Degree Programmes**

The academic year 2008/2009 ended with eleven (11) students being awarded the MSc degree. The breakdown is as follows:

**Table 1: MSc Graduating Class 2008/2009 by programme and gender**

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In summary, MSc Governance and Public Policy seven (7) students; MSc Economic Development Policy two (2) students and MSc Social policy two (2) students. Three (3) students were awarded PhD degrees: Beverly Shirley, Governance and Public Policy; Annicia Gayle-Geddes, Social Policy; and Girjanaouth Boodraj, Economic Development Policy.

New MSc Students (2009/2010)

Twenty (20) students accepted the offer and registered for the 2009/2010 academic year, fourteen (14) being part-time students and six (6) being full-time students. The breakdown was as follows:

Table 2: 2009/2010 Registration for New MSc students by programme and gender

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In addition, thirty-three (33) returning MSc students registered for the academic year 2009/2010.

A total of twelve - (10) new MPhil/ (2) PhD students are registered for the academic year 2009/2010. The breakdown is as follows:

Table 3: Registration for MPhil/PhD, 2009/2010 by programmes and gender

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In addition, thirty-eight (38) returning MPhil/PhD students registered for the academic year 2009/2010.

In summary: There were fifty-three(53) new and returning MSC students and fifty (50) new and returning MPhil/PhD students registered for the 2009/2010 academic year, giving a total of 103 students.

Data and Documentation Centre

During the period under review the Documentation Centre (DC) continued to provide invaluable information and library facilities to the graduate community of the Mona Campus of the University, especially in the Social Sciences. This was done either through its own stock or by allowing access through the internet and/or the World-Wide-Web. Other local and overseas researchers also utilised the facilities, especially visiting lecturers, research fellows and graduate school students from the United States and United Kingdom.

The DC continued to work in conjunction with the Main Library to increase our access to electronically packaged journal articles. We nevertheless, continue to acquire relevant print documents, including copies of government documents – local and overseas -, UN reports and those of other international agencies, work produced by SALISES fellows and the other staff members of the Social Sciences Faculty, and conference papers – published and unpublished.

In keeping with the above strategy students and faculty have had access continuously over the last decade to hundreds of journal titles, abstracts and/or full text from several electronic journal packages through the main library’s web-page. Not all our required journals are included in the electronic packages and also to ensure continuity of service we continued to renew yearly subscriptions to approximately 36 journals. We also continued to receive a substantial number of journals through gifts and exchanges.

Readings were processed for both semesters for the SALISES Graduate Programme, as well as a variety of graduate courses from all the departments in the Faculty with particular emphasis on the Human
Resource Development Programme (HRD) and the Departments of Government and Economics.

**Derek Gordon Data Bank**

The Databank continued to provide technical services to post-graduate students, provide data sets to students and researchers both in Jamaica elsewhere. A number of post-graduate students attended the Specialized Research Methods course in semester II. This was highly successful with only four (4) students failing the course.

**Publications Section**

**SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC STUDIES (SES)**

**Published:**

Vol. 58: 2, June 2009 special issue in honor of Trevor Farrell, guest edited by Lou Anne Barclay.

Vol. 58: 3 & 4, Sept-Dec 2009, general issue


This year a **Publications Committee** consisting of Brian Meeks, Kim Robinson-Walcott and Annie Paul (chair) was instituted. The Committee oversaw the selection of a new editorial committee for Social and Economic Studies consisting of 14 members: Sonjah Stanley Niaah (Mona); David Tennant (Mona); Matthew Smith (Mona); Jermaine McCalpin (Mona); Noel Cowell (Mona); Ian Boxill (Mona); Dennis Pantin (St. Augustine); Aaron Kamugisha (Cave Hill); Deborah Thomas (University of Pennsylvania); Silvio Torres-Saillant (Syracuse University); Alissa Trotz (University of Toronto); Jorge Giovanetti (University of Puerto Rico); Michaeline Crichlow (Duke University); Sudhanshu Handa (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill).

**Editorial Committee members** were carefully selected after consultation with research fellows and colleagues at all three institutes.
with a view to reflecting a better mix of younger scholars, a better representation of women and new subject areas. The first editorial committee meeting was held on March 15, 2010 at the video conferencing facilities at the Open Campus Learning Centre with a number of members at remote locations. Another informal meeting was held in Barbados at the CSA conference with those members who were in attendance there. A number of decisions were made with a view to overhauling and repositioning SES for the 21st century.

Regrettably one member of the new committee, Dennis Pantin, indicated his inability to continue on the committee due to ill health. Dr. Pantin has subsequently passed away leaving a gap in the area of Economics-related reviewing and advice. We extend condolences to his family.

It was also decided that the publication of books and monographs by the section was to be phased out and only manuscripts that were in production or had been accepted were to be completed.

A decision was also made to start a joint electronic Working Paper series that would include all three campuses of SALISES.

**Books and Monographs Division**

The following publications were published at year end:


**PAPERS PRESENTED**

Clegg, Peter

- Germany’s role in the New World Order – Germany and the European Union, Jamaican-German Society event, UWI Mona, Kingston, Jamaica, October 2009.
• Turks and Caicos Islands: The Cloud that stil hangs, Department of Government, UWI Mona, Kingston, Jamaica, Nov. 26 2009.


• “Governance in the UKOTs’, SALISES 11th Annual Conference, St Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago, March 24-26, 2010

• USA’s and Europe’s influence in the Caribbean via its OTs, Seminar organised by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade and Department of Government, UWI Mona, Kingston, Jamaica, June 14, 2010.

Fox, Helen Kristin


Henry-Lee, Aldrie

• “Going beyond mere survival in St. Lucia: 30 years after independence”. SALISES 11th Annual Conference, St Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago, March 24-26, 2010.


Lewis, Patsy

• “The Implications of deeper sub-regional integration for the future of the larger CARICOM regional integration project”. Seminar, ‘Situating Jamaica in the Caribbean in the 21st Century’, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade in association with the UWI, UWI, Mona, June 14, 2010,

• “Rethinking Development in Small States”, SALISES 11th Annual Conference, St Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago, 24-26 March, 2010.


• “Implications of the Lisbon Treaty and the revision of the Cotonou Agreement on CARICOM/EU relations”. Seminar on The Future of Caribbean – European Union Relations: Defining a Research Agenda. Institute of International Relations, UWI, St Augustine, Trinidad, October 8-9, 2009.

Meeks, Brian


• “Selwyn Ryan in the Stream of his Contemporaries”, 11th Annual SALISES Conference, Port of Spain, March 24-26, 2010.

• “The Legacies of Independence in Jamaica: Towards a Half Century Assessment”, Conference on Caribbean Literature, Culture and Identity, the University College of the Cayman Island, March 11-12, 2010.

Newman, Nadine

• “The Janus Face of Disaster preparedness: Protecting Documents from Disasters” SALISES 11th Annual Conference, St Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago, 24-26 March, 2010.

Northover, Patricia

• “Rethinking the mangrove in a creole politics of making place: A response to Aníbal José Aponte and Ángel L. Viera-Torado,” 2nd Symposium of critical practices in Caribbean Cultural Studies, “Rethinking the mangrove”, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, October 15-17, 2009.


Osei, Philip Duku

• “Evolving a Performance Based System for the Delivery of Social Protection in St Kitts: An Assessment of Capacity Development”, SALISES 11th Annual Conference, St Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago, March 24-26, 2010.

Paul, Annie


• “Eyeless in Gaza and Gully: ‘Mi deh pon di borderline.’”
  International Reggae Conference, Current and Future Trends in

• “Span Paramaribo Dub” at the opening of the Paramaribo SPAN

Robinson-Walcott, Kimberly

• “Jamaica Journal: Status, Challenges, and a Vision for the
  Future.” Encounter of Caribbean Magazines, Casa de las
  Americas, Havana, Cuba, November 16-21, 2009.

• “Bun or Fire Bun? Wily Women, Survival Slackness and a
  Possible Wily Survival Strategy for Reading.” SALISES 11th
  Annual Conference, St Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago, 24-26

• “Visual-Verbal Vistas: Caribbean Writers Who Paint”. 29th
  Annual West Indian Literature Conference, Kingston, Jamaica,
  April 29-May 1, 2010.

Tindigarukayo, Jimmy

• Measuring the Impact of the Bashy Bus HIV Prevention Mobile
  Clinic in Jamaica, SALISES 11th Annual Conference, St
  Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago, 24-26 March, 2010.

Wynter-Palmer, Jennifer

• Stimulating Productivity: An Exploratory Study on the Use of
  Incentives in Jamaica’s Hotel Industry SALISES Colloquium Series,
  November 2009, Mona School of Business, UWI, Kingston,
  Jamaica

• Designing Compensation Systems in the Caribbean, Department
  of Management Studies, UWI Mona, Kingston, Jamaica, November
  2009.
PUBLICATIONS

Books and Monographs

Henry-Lee, Aldrie

Lewis, Patsy

Meeks, Brian

Osei, Philip

Refereed Book Chapters

Meeks, Brian

Northover Patricia
Paul, Annie


Refereed Journal Articles

Clegg, Peter


Henry-Lee, Aldrie


Northover, Patricia


**Osei, Philip**


**Wynter-Palmer, Jennifer**


**Non-Refereed Articles/Book Chapters**

**Clegg, Peter**


* Articles for Jane’s Sentinel Country Risk Assessments on the UK Caribbean Overseas Territories, Bermuda, and the Dutch Overseas Territories. Internet article.


Meeks, Brian


Osei, Philip


Tindigarukayo, Jimmy


Wynter-Palmer, Jennifer


Non- Refereed

Paul, Annie


Wynter-Palmer, Jennifer
* ‘The nation state’s authority is squeezed by globalization from below as well as globalization from above’. Centre for Labour Market Studies, University of Leicester. July 2009

* “To what extent is a learner-led VET system an effective route for skill development” – The HEART Trust/NTA, a case study, Centre for Labour Market Studies, University of Leicester. June 2010.

Technical Reports

Lewars, Tony, Brian Meeks, and Charles Jones

Lewis, Patsy

Osei, Philip Duku


Tindigarukayo, Jimmy


Projects Undertaken by SALISES or SALISES Staff

Henry-Lee, Aldrie

* Principal Investigator: Development of A Safe Schools Policy for Jamaica. Commissioned by the Ministry of Education and financed by UNICEF.

* British Virgin Islands Social Sector Analysis (Sociologist): Principal Investigator – Professor Neville Duncan.

Robinson-Walcott, Kimberly,


PUBLIC SERVICE

Fox, Helen Kristin

– Member, Research Committee, Early Childhood Commission
– Member, Jamaica Survey of Living Conditions Committee

Henry-Lee, Aldrie

– Member, UNICEF/PIOJ Social Investment in Children Initiative
– Interim Chair, Social Policy Cluster, Fifty/Fifty Research Project

Meeks, Brian

– Member, Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)
– Member, Editorial Board, The University of the West Indies Press.


– Member, Editorial Board, Lexington Books, Caribbean Series.

– Contributing Editor, WADABAGEI Journal, Caribbean Research Center, Medgar Evers College, City University of NY.

– Member, Editorial Board, Journal of the University College of the Cayman Islands.

– Director, Centre for Caribbean Thought, UWI Mona.

Newman, Nadine

– Assistant Secretary, Chancery Hall Citizen’s Association

– Class Representative, St. Peter and Paul, Grade 13

Northover, Patricia

– Member, Excelsior High School Student welfare/ LHS scholarship Fund

Osei, Philip D

– Member, National Steering Committee on Decentralisation Policy in Jamaica

– Member, National Advisory Council on Local Government Reform in Jamaica.

– Board Member, S-Corner Community Development and Health Centre

Paul, Annie

– Member, Executive Council, Caribbean Studies Association

– Board member and editorial committee member, MSB Review, a Mona School of Business Publication

– Member, National Gallery of Jamaica, Education and Publication committee

– Associate Editor, Small Axe: A Caribbean Journal of Criticism
– Board member and contributor, *Caribbean Review of Books*

– Board member, JAMCOPY, the Jamaican Copyright Licensing Agency

– Peer reviewer, University of the West Indies Press

**Robinson-Walcott, Kimberly**

– Editor, *Jamaica Journal*

– Editorial board member, *Caribbean Review of Books*.

– Associate editor, *International Journal of the Book*.


– Peer reviewer, University of the West Indies Press.

– Member, JAMCOPY.

– Member, Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies.

**Tindigarukayo, Jimmy, PhD**

– Member, Committee on Data Sharing and Pricing Policy, Public Sector Reform Unit, Cabinet Office

**Wynter-Palmer, Jennifer**

– Chair, Church of God Girls’ Home Board

– Chair, Leadership and Development Commission, Church of God in Jamaica

– Member, HRD Committee, Church of God in Jamaica

– Judge, Ministry of Tourism’s - 2010 Tourism in Service Excellence Awards Programme

– Consultant, Ministry of National Security’s Policy Directorate on Strategic Planning and Teamwork/Departmental collaboration
INCOME GENERATION/AWARDS

DATA BANK

The income generated for the period under review was $98,960.00.

Documentation Centre

The Library generated a fair amount of income from photocopies with an approximate total of $250,000 during the period.

Meeks, Brian

Research Institute for the Study of Man (RISM) and Reed Foundation grant to the Centre for Caribbean Thought to host seventh Caribbean Reasonings conference in honour of Gordon K. Lewis scheduled for June 2010 and temporarily postponed. US$30,000.00.

Osei, Philip


Publications Section

The income generated for the period under review as $1,669,581.63.

Henry-Lee, Aldrie

UNICEF and EFJ combined values for the Caribbean Child Research Conference, $1,922.159.

Safe School Policy Project is valued at $3,873,200.00.