



XLVIII OAS POLICY ROUNDTABLE

"Milestones and Challenges in the Advancement of the Rights of Afro-Descendants in the Americas"

Monday, February 25th 2013
3:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Hall of the Americas
17th St. and Constitution Ave., NW
Washington, D.C. 20006

PROGRAM

3:00 - 3:10 pm Welcoming remarks by OAS Secretary General, **José**Miguel Insulza

3:10 - 3:30 pm Introductory remarks by U.S. Congressman Gregory W. Meeks, Representative of the Fifth Congressional District of New York, United States House of Representatives

3:30 - 4:20 pm
Panel discussion moderated by H.E. Ambassador
Deborah Mae Lovell, Permanent Representative of
Antigua & Barbuda to the Organization of American
States

- Zakiya Carr Johnson, Senior Advisor to the Race, Ethnicity, and Social Inclusion Unit in the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs. U.S. Department of State
- Robert J. Cottrol, Professor of History, and Sociology, and Harold Paul Green Research Professor of Law, George Washington University
- Francisco Lopez, President & CEO, Bert Corona Leadership Institute

4:20- 4:50 pm Question and answer session

Closing remarks by **Emilio Alvarez Icaza**, Executive Secretary, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights



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