

"Culture and Environment in Belize"
26th Meeting of the United Kingdom - Belize Association (UK-BA)

Institute of Languages, Cultures and Societies (ILCS)
School of Advanced Study | University of London
Room G37 | Senate House | Malet Street | London WC1E 7HU

Friday 13th October, 2023
14:00 - 18:00 London time (BST)

13:00 *Sandwich lunch available (courtesy of the Ramphal Institute)*

14:00 Welcome by Dr Jamille Pinheiro Dias, Director of the Centre for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, ILCS
and Barbara Bulmer Thomas, Chair of the Local Organising Committee.

14:05 Introduction to the UKBA by Dr Neil Stuart, President of the Association

14:15 **The current economic, political and environmental situation in Belize**

Therese Rath, Belize High Commissioner to the UK and
Nicole Davison, British High Commissioner to Belize.

15:00 **Social and environmental studies in Belize**

15:00 David Gomez (University of London) *The cart road issue in the Anglo-Guatemalan territorial dispute in the context of Central American history*

15:30 Professor Melissa Johnson (Southwestern University, TX) *"Lucy's Story: A window into the Shore and the Bay in the late 1700s"*

16:00 Professor Sarah Metcalfe and the ICARUS team. *New approaches to understanding resilience to climate change in Belize: the ICARUS project*

Tea and biscuits - sponsored by the Ramphal Institute.

16:30 **Screening of one episode of 'Unknown Belize' - The European Nature Trust**
Followed by a short Q&A with Jacob Dykes (TENT).

17:45 **Annual General Meeting of the UKBA**
Chaired by Malcolm Penn, Natural History Museum, London

17:50 Vote of thanks and Close of Meeting

Small drinks reception sponsored by the Ramphal Institute.