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In February 2015, Tom Webb and I, together with colleagues Peter Hough and Ryszard Stocki participated in an exceptionally successful three-day workshop at ANAP's Centro Niceto Perez (Güira de Melena, Artemisia Province) to finalize the statement set needed to build a Cuban version of the worker Coop Index.

Over the summer months, a Cuban version of the Coop Index was developed at Saint Mary's University. Additionally, the project proposal between ANAP and Saint Mary's University was streamlined and narrowed to focus more directly on the development and extension of the Coop Index diagnostic.

We are presently fundraising to host a third Coop Index workshop with ANAP in the Spring of 2016 to test the new diagnostic tool with two pilot cooperatives (CPAs), present draft diagnostic reports, train the trainers (Centro Necito Perez) in the interpretation of these reports, and support the Centre in sharing with the pilot cooperatives the results of the analysis.

Next step is to evaluate the development of a Coop Index tool for producer cooperatives (CCS's) – this may be the same tool or it may require some further design/development.

Beyond that, we will support the Centre in developing the training programs necessary to support the needs defined by the report.

Once the Coop Worker Index tool is functioning, it will be made available to Havana UBPC Cooperative Vivero Alamar. All contributions are supported with a charitable tax donation receipt. Below are links that provide further background on this project.

Attached is the Project Schematic, Project Budget and Profiles of the Canadian Advisory Team. Below are links to past progress reports and related material. Please also feel free to contact me at 604-417-2434 for more information.

[December 2014 Update – Planning for the Feb 2015 Workshop](#)  
[August 26 2014 Update - Dr. Jesus Cruz joins as Cuban Advisor](#)  
[June 6 2014 Report - Meetings with ANAP Concerning Coop Index](#)  
[March 2014 Fundraiser](#)

[March 2014 Fundraiser \(Español\)](#)  
[February 2014 Workshop Report - Escuela Niceto Perez](#)  
[February 2014 Workshop Report \(Español\) - Escuela Niceto Perez](#)  
[October 2013 Project Update - Project Launch](#)

Warm co-operative regards...

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