

## **VENEZUELAN ASSOCIATION FOR CANADIAN STUDIES**

### **REPORT OF ACTIVITIES (2014-2015)**

This is an intent to report of activities 2014-2015:

In May 2015, nobody from RED VENEZOLANA DE ESTUDIOS CANADIENSES REVEC, REVEC-AVEC can attend the 2015 Annual ICCS meeting or the University of Trent Conference.

The main reasons are: severe economic problems within Venezuelan academy at all the private and public Venezuelan Universities, the strict control of foreign money (impossibility to the access any foreign currency), and the impossibility to buy international travel tickets in local currency from any national or/and international airlines. During 2014-2015, due to those economic problems and to the lack of financial support from ICCS and/or the Canadian Embassy in Venezuela, there were no activities on Canadian Studies in any University around the country.

### **ON CANADIAN STUDIES IN VENEZUELA in the last 30 years**

La RED VENEZOLANA DE ESTUDIOS CANADIENSES, REVEC-AVEC, can inform to all the international community and the ICCS, of her solid history for more than 30 years of intense productivity. Visible in the organization of Annual congress on Canadian Studies and Cine-Forum on Canadian Cinema, the publication of journals and books on diverse themes on Canadian Studies, and most important in the active participation of professors, researchers and students of all the public and private Venezuelan Universities, in the Faculty Research Program and Faculty Enrichment Program, which demonstrated the invaluable knowledge that REVEC-AVEC give to the Canadian Studies around the world.

Since 2012, when the Canadian Embassy and the ICCS cut their funds to those programs, the REVEC-AVEC interrupted their activities. Especially in the last year, 2014-2015, when the strict and severe economic problems imposed by the Venezuelan government affected significantly the academic, political and economic life around the country. However, we can assert without any doubt, that during 1982-2012, REVEC/AVEC was one of the most productive institution that contributed to the Canadian Studies around the world.