

FORUM PROGRAMME



SUNDAY 12 JUNE

1700 - 1900 *Registration*

DAY ONE: MONDAY 13 JUNE

0800 - 0900 *Registration*

0930 - 1100 **Opening Ceremony**

Ballroom Hon Stephen Cadiz, Minister of Trade and Industry, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
Sir Allan Fields, Chairman, Commonwealth Business Council & Chairman, Cable & Wireless, Barbados
Larry Howai, Chairman, National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago
Ricardo Leal, Country Leader, Panama and the British Caribbean, Construtora OAS Ltda
Hernan Rincon, President, Microsoft Latin America
Keynote Address: Hon Kamla Persad-Bissessar, Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

1100 - 1130 *Networking Coffee Break*

1130 - 1245 **Plenary 1: Managing Natural Resources: Partnerships for Growth**

Ballroom Chair: Senator Dr the Hon Bhoendradatt Tewarie, Minister of Planning, Economic and Social Restructuring and Gender Affairs
Derek Hudson, President and Asset General Manager, BG Trinidad & Tobago
Anthony Paul, Energy Consultant, Lloyd Best Institute of the West Indies & Managing Director, Caribbean Association of Energy Specialists
Vincent Pereira, President, BHP Billiton Trinidad and Tobago Production Unit

1245 - 1400 *Networking Lunch hosted by Atlantic*

Ballroom Gordon Deane, Chairman, Atlantic

1400 - 1515 **Parallel Sessions: Business Opportunities**

Ballroom **Oil & Gas: Creating Upstream and Downstream Value**

Chair: Dr Thackwray Driver, CEO, Energy Chamber of Trinidad and Tobago
Oscar Prieto, CEO, Atlantic
Vernon Paltoo, Team Leader, Office of the President, National Energy Corporation
Imfiaz Ali, Corporate Manager, Strategy and Business Development, Petrotrin

Scarlet Ibis **ICT: Building Knowledge Based Societies in the Caribbean**

Chair: Rabintra Jaggernauth, President, Trinidad and Tobago Coalition of Services Industries & Managing Director, Esprit Consultants Limited
Guillermo Almada, Public Sector Director, Microsoft Latin America
Atiba Phillips, Chairman, iGovTT
Ronald Hinds, Chairman and CEO, Teleios Systems

Flamingo **Agribusiness, Food and Beverage: Innovative Approaches**

Chair: Meghnath Gosein, Chairman, Food and Beverage Industry Development Committee
Allister Glean, Director, Trinidad and Tobago Agribusiness Association
Lorraine Waldropt-Ferguson, Assistant Manager, Prism Agri Estates Co Ltd
Professor Roy Seaman, Managing Director, Franchise Development Services Ltd

1515 - 1530 *Networking Tea Break*



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1530 - 1645 **Parallel Sessions: Business Opportunities**

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Renewable Energy and Green Technology: Charting the Future for the Caribbean

Chair: HE Arthur Snell, High Commissioner of the UK to Trinidad and Tobago
Dominic Emery, Chief of Staff, BP Alternative Energy
Johan Sydow, Director, SiTek Ltd & Geothermal Resource Manager, WIP
Jose Rodriguez, Development Director, Generadora Haina
Robert Tang Yuk, Managing Director, TYE Manufacturing Co. Ltd

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Manufacturing and Special Economic Zones: Overcoming Challenges for Manufacturers in the Caribbean

Chair: Jewan Ramcharitar, Chairman, eTeck
Dominic Hadeed, President, Trinidad and Tobago Manufacturers' Association
Ian Rolle, President, Grand Bahama Port Authority
Dana Morris Dixon, Vice President, Planning and Corporate Development, JAMPRO
Krishna Ramlogan, Group COO, Electrical Industries Ltd

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Tourism and Leisure Industries: Renewing the Caribbean Brand

Chair: George Stanley Beard, Chairman, The Tourism Development Company
Chris James, Regional Director, Travel Foundation
Dr Wu, COO, China Business Network
Steve Andrews, Chairman, Caribbean Spa and Wellness Association

1645 - 1800 **Plenary 2: Capitalising on Caribbean Creative Industries: Film, Fashion, Music and Carnival**

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Chair: Professor Denise Thompson, Chairman, Entertainment Company of Trinidad and Tobago
Kai Schoenhals, Commercial Director, Vicini Group
Frances Anne Solomon, CEO, CaribbeanTales Worldwide Distribution
Dionne Mc Nicol, CEO, Entertainment Company of Trinidad and Tobago
Claudia Pegus, Couturier, Claudia Pegus Designs Ltd
Mahindra Satram-Maharaj, President, National Carnival Development Foundation

1645 - 1745 **ICT Parallel Session: New Innovations in Cloud Computing**

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Chair: Jewan Ramcharitar, Chairman, eTeck
Josemaria Valdepenas, Chief Technology Officer, Microsoft Latin America

1800 - 1815 **Presentation on Trade and Investment Convention (TIC)**

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Anthony Aboud, Executive Chairman, TIC

1815 - 1830 **Introduction to Commonwealth Business Forum at CHOGM Australia: Opportunities for Caribbean Businesses**

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Gregor MacKinnon, Managing Director, Commonwealth Business Council
HE Philip Kentwell, High Commissioner of Australia to Trinidad and Tobago

1830 - 1930 **Reception and Book Launch: KAMLA: Trinidad and Tobago's First Woman Prime Minister hosted by Hansib Publications Ltd.**

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Guest of Honour: Hon Kamla Persad-Bissessar, Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and Commonwealth Chairperson-in-Office



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0900 - 1030 **Plenary 3: Enhancing Trade and Investment between the Commonwealth, CARIFORUM and the Americas**

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Chair: HE Ambassador Sir Edwin W Carrington, Ambassador of Trinidad and Tobago to the Caribbean Community
Hon Stephen Cadiz, Minister of Trade and Industry, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
Hon Manuel Garcia Arevalo, Minister of Industry and Commerce, Dominican Republic
Reginald Budhan, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Industry, Investment and Commerce, Jamaica
Pamela Coke Hamilton, Executive Director, Caribbean Export Development Agency

1030 - 1100 Networking Coffee Break

1100 - 1230 **Plenary 4: Capital Markets and Financial Services: New Innovations for Accessing Finance**

Ballroom

Chair: Suresh Sookoo, CEO, Caribbean Banking, RBC
Ewart S Williams, Governor, Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago
Professor Avinash Persaud, Chairman, Intelligence Capital Ltd
Wendell Mottley, Senior Advisor, Credit Suisse
Douglas Hewson, Managing Partner, Portland Private Equity
Patrick White, Director, Latin American & Caribbean Debt Capital Markets, HSBC

1100 - 1230 **Agribusiness Parallel Session: Investing in Fine Cocoa in the Caribbean**

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Chair: Vernon Barrett, Executive Director, Caribbean Fine Cocoa Forum
Cynthra Persad, Director of Research, Ministry of Food Production, Land and Marine Affairs, Trinidad & Tobago
Carlisle Pemberton, Chairman, Cocoa and Coffee Industry Board of Trinidad and Tobago
Kent Gammon, Director, Cocoa Industry Board, Jamaica
Marie Louise Norton-Murray, Interim Head, CDE Caribbean Regional Office, Dominican Republic

1230 - 1400 Networking Lunch hosted by ArcelorMittal

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Paulo Cardozo, Managing Director & CEO, ArcelorMittal Point Lisas Limited

1400 - 1515 **Parallel Sessions: Business Opportunities**

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Maritime Industries: Opportunities for Expansion

Chair: Captain Rawle Baddaloo, Chairman, Maritime Industry Development Committee
Andrew Bellamy, CEO, Austal Ltd
Steven Keats, Vice President, Kestrel Liner Agencies
Ernest Ashley Taylor, President, Pt Lisas Industrial Port Development Corporation Ltd

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Creative Industries Workshop: Nurturing Creative Entrepreneurship

Chair: Ms Carla Foderingham, CEO, Trinidad and Tobago Film Company
Anamaria Wills, CEO, Creative Industries Development Agency (UK)
Joan Vogelesang, President and CEO, Toon Boom
Camille Abrahams, Director & CEO, Full Circle Productions

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Franchising Masterclass

Professor Roy Seaman, Managing Director, Franchise Development Services

1515 - 1530 Networking Tea Break



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Sustainable Construction and Real Estate

Chair: Jearlean John, Chairman, Urban Development Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago
Edmundo Gil, Director, GTC International
Stuart Hughes, Project Director, Mott MacDonald
Gilmar Fernandes, Project Manager, Construtora OAS Ltda
Devanand Ragbir, Chairman, Trinidad and Tobago Green Building Council

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Creative Industries Workshop: The Business of Carnival

Chair: Dr Jo-anne Tull, Lecturer and Academic Coordinator, Carnival Studies BA,
University of the West Indies
Michael Cooper, President and CEO, Panland
Keith Diaz, President, Pantrinidad
Wayne Mc Donald, General Secretary, Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation

1645 – 1715 **Concluding Session**

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Sir Allan Fields, Chairman, Commonwealth Business Council
Hon Stephen Cadiz, Minister of Trade and Industry, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

1715 - 1800 One to One Business Meetings

1900 - 2200 **Gala Dinner hosted by Construtora OAS Ltda, Microsoft and The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited**

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Guest of Honour: Hon Kamla Persad-Bissessar, Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

Address: HE José Miguel Insulza, Secretary-General, Organisation of American States

