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### TTCSI'S CODE OF ETHICS



<p>TTCSI Code of Ethics</p> 	<p>In April 2019, the TTCSI adopted a Code of Ethics that was designed to provide all employees, members, directors and stakeholders with specific guidance. We encourage all members to review, discuss and adopt this Code and to share it with your members, as we strive for better governance in our organisations. The Code of Ethics can be found on TTCSI's website at <a href="https://www.ttcsi.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/TTCSI-CODE-OF-ETHICS-April-2019.pdf">https://www.ttcsi.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/TTCSI-CODE-OF-ETHICS-April-2019.pdf</a></p>
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### TTCSI ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS


<p>Meetings</p> 	<p>The following meetings were attended by TTCSI's President, Ms. Lara Quentrall-Thomas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Future of Work in Trinidad and Tobago: Why Does Decent Work Matter? Hosted by the International Labour Organisation.</li> <li>• Understanding the Non-Profit Organisation Act, hosted by the Trinidad and Tobago Chamber of Industry and Commerce.</li> </ul>
<p>UK-EPA</p>	<p>The UK/CARIFORUM Economic Partnership Agreement was signed by 11 of 15 Caribbean nations, including Trinidad and Tobago in April 2019. On 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019; Ms. Reena Panchorie (Head of Trade &amp; Investment Division, UK High Commission, Port of Spain) and Ms. Rachel Wilson (Trade Policy Advisor, UK High Commission, Barbados) paid a courtesy call to the TTCSI's General Manager, Ms. Vashti Guyadeen to discuss the proposed transition from the EU/CARIFORUM Economic Partnership Agreement to the UK/CARIFORUM Economic Partnership Agreement once Britain leaves the European Union. TTCSI's General Manager,</p>

  	<p>Ms. Vashti Guyadeen, invited the UK High Commission to host a workshop during Services Week in November 2019 highlighting opportunities for individuals and companies in the services sector in the UK.</p> 
<p>Gender Focal Point (GFP)</p>     	<p>The Office of the Prime Minister, Gender and Child Affairs Division (OPM-GCA) hosted a stakeholders' meeting on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The meeting focused on "Promoting Gender Equality: A Multi-Sectoral Approach". TTCSI was represented by the Operations Supervisor, Ms. Kavita Chankar. At the meeting the OPM-GCA Permanent Secretary, Jacqueline Johnson gave a presentation on the National Policy on Gender and Development and discussed the establishment and importance of Gender Focal Point within State Agencies and the Private Sector.</p> <p>Each organisation was asked to identify a Focal Point and an alternative from its mid to upper level management team.</p> <p>The GFP is expected to be knowledgeable on the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The National Policy for Gender and Development</li> <li>• The mandate for gender mainstreaming in Trinidad and Tobago</li> <li>• The understanding of gender and gender equality and equity in the workplace</li> <li>• Guide and support the collection, analysis and reporting of gender disaggregated data on all areas of work relevant to their organisation</li> </ul> <p>All GFPs will undergo training provided by the OPM/GCA with support from the High Commission of Canada, Port of Spain.</p>
<p>Ministry of Trade &amp; Industry</p> 	<p>The Ministry of Trade &amp; Industry hosted a consultation with the private sector on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 to provide an update on the implementation status of Vision 2030. General Manager of the TTCSI Ms. Vashti Guyadeen attended the meeting. The focus of this session was to review indicators. Members will be kept abreast of additional meetings and outcomes.</p>
<p>Canada High Commission</p> 	<p>On the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019, TTCSI General Manager, Ms. Vashti Guyadeen, attended a meeting with the Trade Commissioner at The Canadian High Commission to discuss areas of possible collaboration.</p>

<p>The Trinidad and Tobago Chamber of Industry &amp; Commerce</p> 	<p>On 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019, The Trinidad and Tobago Chamber of Industry and Commerce hosted a discussion “Understanding the Non-Profit Organisations Act”. TTCSI was represented by the President, Ms. Lara Quentrall-Thomas and Operations Supervisor, Ms. Kavita Chankar. The aim of the session was to provide context regarding the need for this Act as well as to outline provisions and penalties detailed in the Act. The panel comprised of Attorneys Ramona Mohammed, Partner-Pollonais, Blanc, de la Bastide &amp; Jacelon and Sonji Pierre-Chase, Partner-Johnson, Camacho, Singh Caribbean Law.</p>
<p>Training for Civil Society Organisations (CSO)</p> 	<p>The Arthur Lok Jack Global School of Business has extended an invitation to TTCSI to participate in a project “Capacity Building for CSOs”. Funded by the European Union from June-July 2019. An information session on the programme was held on 16<sup>th</sup> May for participants to obtain and understanding of the course outline and learn more about the funding available for three projects. Operations Supervisor, Ms. Kavita Chankar represented TTCSI at the session. TTCSI intends to develop in house capacity to assist members with grants and proposals.</p>
<p>Couva/Point Lisas Chamber of Commerce</p> 	<p>The Couva/Point Lisas Chamber of Commerce hosted a seminar entitled “The State of the T&amp;T Energy Sector” on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2019. This event was attended by the Trade and Policy Officer, Ms. Sara Mohammed. The President of the Couva/Point Lisas Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Ramchand Rajbal Maraj, emphasised the importance of the energy sector in Trinidad and Tobago. The feature speaker was former Minister of Energy and Energy Affairs, Mr. Kevin Ramnarine. He focused on threats and opportunities within the energy sector, considering the sector’s changing environment, gas supply, the global energy markets and the competitiveness of T&amp;T’s energy sector.</p> <div data-bbox="540 1255 901 1501">  </div> <div data-bbox="922 1255 1364 1501">  </div>
<p><b>Member News</b></p> <p>National Master Barbers Association of Trinidad and Tobago</p>	<p>The San Fernando Centre for Displaced Persons reopened its doors to the homeless on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019. President of the National Master Barbers Association of Trinidad and Tobago, Mr. Donald James was featured with his grooming services to home deprived persons.</p> <div data-bbox="373 1669 824 1864">  <p>Amir Mohammed has his hair cut by CEO of the Professional Barbering School, Donald James.</p> </div>

<p>Trinidad &amp; Tobago Society of Planners</p>	<p>The Caribbean Urban Forum (CUF) is an annual three-day conference designed to address specific policy issues within the Caribbean Urban Sector. It is the premier Urban and Regional Planning Conference in the Caribbean, and brings together land use practitioners, policy makers, academics and allied professionals interested in urban and land management issues within the Caribbean, in an effort to further advance land use planning and urban management within the Region.</p> <p>The Conference will be held between 12th-14th June 2019 at the Hilton Hotel and Conference Centre with the theme: Urban Resilience-Disaster and Climate Change Resilient Planning in the Caribbean.</p> <p>The website is <a href="http://ttplanners.org/caribbean-urban-forum-2019/">http://ttplanners.org/caribbean-urban-forum-2019/</a></p> 
<p>Bar Business TT</p> 	<p>This month we highlight three articles from the May 2019 issue.</p> <p>The Impact of SME's on the economy of Trinidad and Tobago: <a href="http://barbusinessstt.com/the-impact-of-smes-on-the-economy-of-trinidad-tobago/">http://barbusinessstt.com/the-impact-of-smes-on-the-economy-of-trinidad-tobago/</a></p> <p>Entrepreneur extraordinaire the man behind el mundo signature: <a href="http://barbusinessstt.com/entrepreneur-extraordinaire-the-man-behind-el-mundo-signature/">http://barbusinessstt.com/entrepreneur-extraordinaire-the-man-behind-el-mundo-signature/</a></p> <p>The Art of Flair: <a href="http://barbusinessstt.com/the-art-of-flair/">http://barbusinessstt.com/the-art-of-flair/</a></p>


## TTCSI OPPORTUNITIES

<p><b>Carifesta XIV</b></p> 	<p>Carifesta XIV Secretariat invites applications from suitable candidates and companies to register for the provision of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Carifesta XIV-001- Installation &amp; Dismantling of Temporary Fencing, Aisles and Gates at various venues</li> <li>2. Carifesta XIV-002- Provision of Grounds Maintenance and Janitorial Services at various venues</li> <li>3. Carifesta XIV-003- Provision of Chairs and Tables at various venues</li> <li>4. Carifesta XIV-004- Provision of Tents at various venues</li> <li>5. Carifesta XIV-005- Provision of Trailers and Portable Chemical Toilets</li> </ol>
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<p><b>Call for Proposals</b></p> 	<p>“The time to invest in Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) in the Caribbean is now as the Caribbean has potential for transformation.” This was a call from the Caribbean Export Development Agency as they invited Proposals Direct Assistance Grants. These are designed to support established businesses with strong potential to export their products and services. The grant allows a maximum of 70% reimbursement and is capped at 30,000 Euros with a minimum amount of 10,000 Euros.</p> <p>The mailing address is: Caribbean Export Development Agency 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Baobab Tower, Warrens BB20226, Barbados.</p> <p>The website is: <a href="https://www.carib-export.com/">https://www.carib-export.com/</a></p> <p>The deadline is 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019</p>
<p><b>Membership Outreach</b></p>	<p>TTCSI General Manager, Ms. Vashti Guyadeen will continue to meet with members upon request. If you would like her to visit your team, please call 687-2499 or email her at <a href="mailto:generalmanager@ttcsi.org">generalmanager@ttcsi.org</a>.</p>
<p><b>Grant Fund Facility</b></p> 	<p>The Ministry of Trade &amp; Industry is inviting Small-Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) to access a grant valued at \$250,000 which can be used to acquire machinery and equipment. All interested members can contact the Ministry of Trade and Industry, <a href="http://www.trageind.gov.tt/www.exportt.co.tt">www.trageind.gov.tt/www.exportt.co.tt</a>, 868-623-2931/4 ext. 2231</p> 
<p><b>Funds for NGOs</b></p>	<p>Funds for Non-Governmental Organisations is inviting NGOs to apply for the following grants:</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Small Fund open for young leaders working for Sustainable Development Goals around the world</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">A Call for Proposals for grants supporting business and livelihood development in developing countries</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Grants Program for improving the living conditions of people in developing countries</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Foundation Grants to reduce the problem of infectious diseases in developing countries</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Grants to improve individuals knowledge and skills, attend short courses and conferences</a></li> </ul> <p>You can contact them for more information at <a href="http://www2.fundsforngos.org">www2.fundsforngos.org</a></p> <div data-bbox="1268 527 1520 579">    </div>
<p><b>CTO Vacancies: Secretary General and Chief Executive Officer</b></p>	<p>The Caribbean Tourism Organisation is seeking to fill the leadership positions of Secretary General and Chief Executive Officer and interested persons can check the following link: <a href="https://www.onecaribbean.org/careers/">https://www.onecaribbean.org/careers/</a></p>



## TTCSI – The Hub for Services

SERVICES	TIER			
	ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR
Mailing Address	X	X	X	X
Storage of Files – One (1) filing Cabinet to be provided by Member		X	X	X
Use of board room for monthly board meeting			X	X
Office space – 1 Desk and 2 chairs				X
<b>PRICE PER MONTH</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$400</b>	<b>\$850</b>	<b>\$1,600</b>

### TERMS

- Prices do not include training space, telephone, internet, parking, catering or membership dues
- Prices do include VAT
- All prices in TT Dollars
- Minimum of one (1) year contract for all services
- All payments shall be made within the first week of each month
- Services are only available to Financial Members
- Use of Board Room only for monthly board meetings shall be \$400 per month
- Rental of training space can be negotiated separately