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TTCSI ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

TTCSI and Caribbean Export made the cover of the Bahamas Investor Magazine!

NEWS







Trade in Services



On the 2^{nd} July 2019, TTCSI CEO Ms. Vashti Guyadeen and Research, Trade and Policy Officer, Ms. Sarah Mohammed, attended a meeting with officials from the World Trade Organization (WTO) on 'Trade in Services' at the Ministry of Trade & Industry. The meeting focused on modes of services, major areas of services negotiations and takeways such as the facilitation of discussion on negotiations in services, Tourism services, the development of ecommerce and the feasibility of imposing customs on the e-commerce of services .

Training for Civil Society Organisations (CSO)

Two members of staff completed training in the "Capacity Building for CSOs" programme funded by the European Union from June-July 2019.

TTCSI intends to establish a "Grants and Proposal Writing" Unit to assist our member associations in developing proposals for funding.



Social Media Workshop



On the 6th July 2019, TTCSI hosted the 2nd Workshop on "Social Media as a Marketing Tool". The event was open to members and non-members. The workshop was held at the TTCSI Secretariat and was fully subscribed. The facilitator, Ms. Nicole Greene, discussed with participants how to use Social Media/Digital Channels to grow and expand their business. Advice was disseminated to the represented sectors with specific examples based on their area of speciality. Based on demand from members, another workshop will be held in September in the city of San Fernando.





Nuts & Bolts of the EPA



TTCSI in collaboration with the Ministry of Trade and Industry, CARIFORUM and ExporTT hosted a public event on the "Nuts and Bolts of the EPA". Over fifty-five persons attended including architects, stakeholders from the creative sector and academia.





ABOUT THE NATIONAL SERVICES EXPOTERS REGISTRY

National Services Exporters Registry



We would like to invite all members and stakeholders to complete the online survey for the National Services Exporters Registry.

The registry seeks to provide detailed trade data on our services sector and facilitate Business to Business (B2B) meetings between local service providers and potential clients from all parts of the world. The data provided by the registry shall also increase foreign direct investment, as potential investors would have access to previously unavailable data thus lowering their risk through informed investment decisions.

As early as the 1st week in August, the organization contracted to collect data for the registry, the Arthur Lok Jack Global School of Business will be contacting some members to complete the survey. Your cooperation in completing this survey in a timely and accurate manner is imperative for the success of this project. **Help us to help you.** The information collected shall remain confidential, and will greatly assist in planning better targeted initiatives to increase services exports.

The link to the survey is **bit.ly/ttcsisurvey**



NATIONAL SERVICES FORUM



NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome three (3) new members to the TTCSI family:

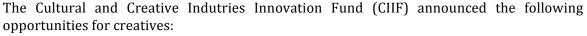
- ⇒ Caribbean Association of Event Management Professionals
- ⇒ Animae Caribe
- ⇒ The Greater San Fernando Area Chamber of Commerce



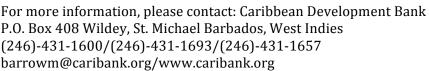


TTCSI OPPORTUNITIES

CIIF



- 1. Subscribe to the CIIF Consultant Directory-Deadline 1st August, 2019
- 2. Register for the CIIF Database
- 3. Salzburg Global Seminar's Forum for Young Cultural Innovators is scheduled for 22-27th October, 2019 and the deadline to register is 30th August, 2019

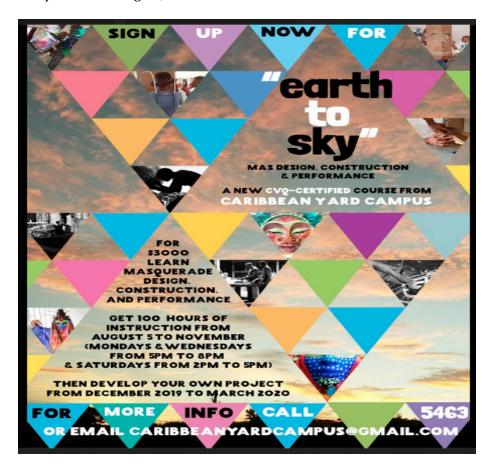


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Caribbean Yard Campus, an affiliate of the Lloyd Best Institute announced itself as the first training centre in Mas Design, Production and Performance. They are the National Training Agency-NTA for Caribbean Vocational Qualification-CVQ certification approved. Registration opens on 5th August, 2019. Please contact 663-5463 for more details.

Earth to Sky







TTCSI is offering "Services Go Global" for ENERGY SERVICES in August. This highly interactive training programme has been developed to provide firms with a roadmap for exporting services.

Please see the flyer below for more details and contact information.

Services Go Global







Carifesta XIV

The Caribbean Festival of Arts (Carifesta) promotes regional integration of culture, and Carifesta XIV promises to be a grand event displaying a wide variety of talent and skills. For more information check the following links: journeycarifesta2019@gmail.com/ https://www.facebook.com/carifesta/







National Standards On Cloud Computing

Share your views/comments on the proposed draft of the Voluntary National Standards for Cloud Computing. The closing date for comments is $23^{\rm rd}$ August, 2019

Contact: TTBS' Standards Information Centre
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662-3132 Ext 2047







GEF SGP Call for Project Concepts





GRANTS

The Global Environment Facility (GEF) Small Grants Programme (SGP) provides Civil Society Organisations with technical and financial support via grant funding on projects in the following areas:

- Biodiversity Conservation
- Climate-Smart Agriculture
- Climate change mitigation
- Chemicals and Waste management

Deadline to submit concept templates: 31st August, 2019

Request or submit project concept forms to: sgpmonitoring@gmail.com

Send your applications to: Dr. Sharda Mahabir National Coordinator, GEF Small Grants Programme United Nations Development Programme

UN House, 3A Chancery Lane, Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago

sgpmoniyoring@gmail.com/sharda.mahabir@undp.org/(1-868) 623-7056 ext 254



Membership Outreach



TTCSI's Chief Executive Officer, Ms. Vashti Guyadeen shall continue to meet with members upon request. If you would like her to visit your team, please call 687-2499 or email her at ceo@ttcsi.org.

August Adventures in Trinidad

The Trinidad and Tobago Incoming Tour Operations Association announces a calendar of local tours during the month of August – perfect for the family!

For more information, contact: 772-1899/772-1902/322-9480/324-4478 https://www.facebook.com/Trinidad-and-Tobago-Incoming-Tour-Operators-Association-110987565583040

experiencetrini@gmail.com







Commonwealth Foundation Updates

The Commonwealth Foundation has the following updates:

- Publication showcasing their projects
- Podcast focused on Accountability during diversification
- Blog post on Rebuilding Multimedia Space
- Post on their Short Story Winner
- Job Opportunity for a Deputy Director-General
- Story post

For more information: https://mailchi.mp/87032f6cec9b/june-2019-newsletter?e=2266c3b088





TTCSI - The Hub for Services



TERMS

- 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