

# **UPDATE #4 / 1st November 2018**

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# **New General Manager**

On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, Ms. Vashti G. Guyadeen was appointed GM of the TTCSI. Over the next few weeks, Vashti will be meeting with members to develop projects and services to meet your needs. She can be reached directly at 687-2499 or via email at <a href="mailto:generalmanager@ttcsi.org">generalmanager@ttcsi.org</a>

# TTCSI ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

# FITCE Outcome

# FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND CULTURAL EXPO

17-18 October 2018-10-28

Greater Fort Lauderdale / Broward County Convention Center

TTCSI President Lara Quentrall-Thomas represented both the TTCSI and ExporTT at the recently held FITCE in Fort Lauderdale.

Highlights of the event include:

- 200+ booths hosted by companies offering a vast range of services and products including legal and immigration services, food and beverage, freight, logistics and shipping, real estate, telecommunications, education and training, consulting, publishing, clean energy, customs and border protection.
  - Countries represented included Jamaica, Belize, Bangladesh, Nigeria, DRC, Haiti, Bahamas, Gambia, Brazil, Martinique, Suriname, Colombia and Costa Rica.
- Chambers of Commerce in attendance from the UK, Jamaica, Sweden and Italy, South Florida, Global Trade Chamber and US Department of Commerce.







In addition to hosting a booth on Trinidad and Tobago, TTCSI participated in two panel discussions:

- 1. **Doing Business with the World Caribbean** featuring Trinidad and Tobago, Bahamas, Suriname and Jamaica
- 2. Harnessing International Trade Opportunities in Goods and Services for the Commonwealth and Beyond with Trinidad and Tobago, UK and Jamaica

### **ALES**

Caribbean Export Development Agency (CEDA) offered four sponsorship opportunities to four members of the TTCSI to attend the VIII Annual Convention of the Latin American Association of Exporters of Services (ALES) in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic during the period October 25-26. The four members were Ms. Jessica Yawching (T&T Animation Network), Ms. Dixie Rampersad-Pfister (Caribbean Institute of Certified Management Consultants TT Chapter), Mr. Andy Beharazar, (T&T Animation Network) and Mr. Nicholas Maxwell (T&T Animation Network)





ExporTT,
FIHAV Cuba
Press
Conference

The exporTT hosted a press conference on the launch of their pavilion at the 36<sup>th</sup> Havana International Trade Fair to be held in Havana, Cuba on October 29<sup>th</sup>- November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018. The press conference was attended by Ms. Syan Bhagwatsingh. At the press conference, the exporTT launched their participation pavilion which included testimonies from companies that already export to Cuba and a feature address from the Cuban Ambassador to Trinidad and Tobago, His Excellency Ambassador Guillermo Vasquez Moreno.

# Membership

Vashti Guyadeen will continue to meet with members over the new few weeks. If you would like for her to visit your office, please contact her at 687-2499.

# World Economic Survey (WES)

Vashti engaged the WES to include questions on the sercies sector into their quarterly questionnaire. They agreed to do this and has asked the TTCSI to invite its members to become participants of the survey.

# ifo World Economic Survey

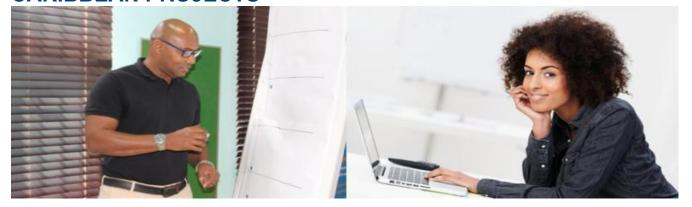
# Become a Member of the ifo WES Expert Group!

We invite economic experts to co-operate and to benefit from the fast information WES provides on economic trends worldwide. For more than 30 years the ifo World Economic Survey (WES) has polled economists in managerial or research functions in over 100 countries on recent macro-economic developments. As the quality of the survey entirely depends on the active participation and qualification of our participants, we invite leading economists to co-operate and to benefit from the fast information WES provides on economic trends worldwide. Completing the one-page questionnaire takes only about 10 to 15 minutes quarterly. As a WES Expert you benefit from timely, detailed and exclusive information on current economic developments in about 100 countries!

Members who are interested, can do so via the following link: <a href="https://www.cesifo-group.de/ifoHome/facts/Survey-Results/World-Economic-Survey/WES-Expert-Group.html">https://www.cesifo-group.de/ifoHome/facts/Survey-Results/World-Economic-Survey/WES-Expert-Group.html</a> or <a href="https://www.ifo.de/w/GzqHbcHT">www.ifo.de/w/GzqHbcHT</a>



# CONSULTANCY OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK ON COMPETE CARIBBEAN PROJECTS





Compete Caribbean is seeking a capacity building consultant to support the Customs and Excise Division of Grenada

To submit your application please click here

Additionally, we are looking for a legislative review consultant to support work being carried out to protect minority interest in Saint Lucia.

To submit your application please click here



The Compete Caribbean Partnership Facility and its donors IDB, CDB, DFID and the Government of Canada, are cosponsoring the Blue Tech Challenge, an initiative looking to support piloting and scaling of commercial models rooted in cutting-edge technologies, that contribute to the sustainable management of oceans and coastal resources (or marine ecosystems) as the basis for livelihoods, food security and economic development of the Caribbean region.

Proposals will be evaluated for their use of new technologies or solutions to foster the long-term sustainability of the ocean economy while demonstrating commercial viability.

Other IDB facilities supporting this challenge include, the Multilateral Investment Fund, Natural Capital Lab, and Sustainable Islands Platform.

http://convocatorias.iadb.org/bluetechchallenge/home



# **TTCSI RENTAL OPTIONS Sept 2018**

#### TTCSI - The Hub for Services

		TIER			
SERVICES	ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	
Mailing Address	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Storage of Files – one (1) filing cabinet to be provided by Member		Х	Х	Х	
Use of board room for monthly board meeting			Х	Х	
Office space – 1 desk and 2 chairs				Х	
PRICE PER MONTH	\$100	\$400	\$850	\$1,600	

#### **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