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Innovation Policy Forum

Growing the Caribbean Innovation Economy

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September 15, 2016

The Lecture Room
National Academy of Sciences
2101 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC



- 9:00 AM **Welcome**
David Hart, *Co-Chair, Innovation Policy Forum*
- 9:05 AM **Partnering to Meet Global Challenges**
Bruce Darling, *National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine*
- 9:20 AM **Keynote: The Grande Anse Initiative and its Objectives**
The Rt. Hon. Keith Mitchell, *Prime Minister of Grenada*
- 9:45 AM **Panel I: S&T Opportunities for the Caribbean**
Moderator: David Hart, *George Mason University*
- Science and Innovation Cooperation for Development**
Vaughan Turekian, *Department of State*
- Innovating in the Caribbean: Challenges and Opportunities**
Arnoldo Ventura, *Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology*
- Universities as Drivers of Knowledge-based Development**
Luz Longworth, *University of the West Indies*
- 10: 45 AM **Coffee Break**

- 11:00 AM **Panel II: New Dynamics in Innovation**
Moderator: Kathleen Kingscott, *IBM*
- Sparkling the Entrepreneurial Impulse**
Ingrid Riley, *Start-Up Jamaica*
- Leveraging the Caribbean Diaspora**
Cardinal Warde, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*
- Broadband as a tool for Innovation**
Ignacio de Leon, *Inter-American Development Bank*
- 12:15 PM **Lunch**
- 1:45 PM **Panel III: Cooperation on Research and Development**
Moderator: E. William Colglazier, *AAAS*
- Meeting the Caribbean's Resilience Challenge**
Jose Holguin-Veras, *Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*
- The Islands Energy Program**
Leslie Labruto, *Clinton Climate Initiative*
- Securing Innovation through Trade and IP**
Cesar Parga, *Organization of American States*
- 3:00 PM **Coffee Break**
- 3:15 PM **Panel IV: Fostering Innovation Ecosystems**
Moderator: Maryann Feldman, *National Science Foundation*
- Elements of Innovation Ecosystems: Lessons for the Caribbean**
Jean-Louis Racine, *World Bank*
- Growing an Innovation Ecosystem in the U.S. Virgin Islands**
Gillian Marcelle, *University of the Virgin Islands Research & Technology Park*
- Financing Green Ecosystems for Innovation**
Doug Lawrence, *5 Stone Green Capital*

4: 30 PM

Panel V: Moving the Agenda Forward

Moderator: The Rt. Hon. Keith Mitchell, *Prime Minister of Grenada*

Innovation Benchmarks, Assessments, and Learning

Sandra Wint, *Independent Consultant*

Perspectives from the On-Line Generation

Ingrid Riley, *Start-Up Jamaica*

Next Steps for Grande Anse

Arnoldo Ventura, *University of the West Indies*

5:30 PM

Adjourn to Reception in the West Court