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Innovation Policy Forum

Growing the Caribbean Innovation Economy

A symposium organized in cooperation with the CARICOM Science, Technology and Innovation Committee, the Organization of American States, and the Inter-American Development Bank

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

AGENDA

- 9:00 AM **Welcome**
David Hart, *Co-Chair, Innovation Policy Forum*
- 9:10 AM **Keynote: The Grande Anse Initiative and its Objectives**
The Rt. Hon. Keith Mitchell, *Prime Minister of Grenada*
- 9:30 AM **Panel I: S&T Opportunities for the Caribbean**
Moderator: David Hart, *Co-Chair, Innovation Policy Forum*
- 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*
- 10:30 AM **Coffee Break**

10:45 AM	<u>Panel II: New Dynamics in Innovation</u> Moderator: Kathleen Kingscott, <i>IBM</i> Sparking the Entrepreneurial Impulse Ingrid Riley, <i>Start-Up Jamaica</i> Leveraging the Caribbean Diaspora Cardinal Warde, <i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i> Broadband as a Tool for Innovation Ignacio de Leon, <i>Inter-American Development Bank</i> Delivering Accelerator Services Online Charles Maynard, <i>ACI Avantor Commercial Incubators</i>
12:00 Noon	Lunch
1:30 PM	<u>Luncheon Keynote: Driving Innovation and Competitiveness in the Caribbean</u> H. E. Dr. Neil Parsan, <i>Organization of American States</i>
1:50 PM	<u>Panel III: Cooperation on Research and Development</u> Moderator: E. William Colglazier, <i>AAAS</i> Meeting the Caribbean's Resilience Challenge José Holguín-Veras, <i>Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute</i> The Islands Energy Program Leslie Labruto, <i>Clinton Climate Initiative</i> Securing Innovation through Trade and IP Cesar Parga, <i>Organization of American States</i>
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*

4:15 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, *Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology*

5:30 PM

Adjourn to Reception in the West Court