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COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN BUSINESS MEDIA WORKSHOP June 3-5, 2009 CROWNE PLAZA Port of Spain, TRINIDAD

PROPOSED AGENDA

DAY 1

Wednesday 3, June 2009

San Fernando Room

AM 9:00 – 9:10	1	Welcome	Dennis McComie Spokesperson for the National Secretariat for the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting 2009	
9:10 – 9:15	2	Introduction	Lennox Grant, Facilitator	
9:15 – 9:25	3	Greeting from the Commonwealth Secretariat	Manoah Esipisu Deputy Director, Communications and Public Affairs Division	
9:25 – 9:35	4	Commonwealth initiatives on Financial Crisis	Cheryl Bruce, Economic Advisor, Commonwealth Secretariat	
9:35 – 9:55	5	Feature Address	Senator, the Honourable Mariano Browne Minister of Trade and Industry	
9:55 – 10:15	6	COFFEE BREAK		



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	7	PLENARY 1	<i>Global Economic Crisis and its impact on Caribbean Development</i>	
10:15 – 10:30	8	The Caribbean’s Position in the International Financial Crisis	Sir Ronald Sanders Consultant	
10:30 – 10:45	9	Surviving the Global Financial	Mr. Ewart Williams Governor, Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago	
10:45 – 12:00	11		Discussion Questions and Answers	Patrick Cozier Facilitator
PM 12:01 - 1:00	12	LUNCH		
1:00 – 1:15	13	International Financial Crisis - International Focus	Professor Anya Stiglitz, Columbia University, New York	
1:15 -1:45	14		Discussion Questions and Answers	Tony Fraser Facilitator
1:45 – 1:50	15	WORKING COFFEE BREAK		
1:50 – 2:05	16	Caribbean Perspective	Dave Seerattan Caribbean Centre for Money and Finance	
2:05 -2:35	17		Discussion Questions and Answers	Tony Fraser Facilitator
2:35 – 2:50	18	Caribbean Perspective	Denis Pantin, Head of Department of Economics, UWI, St Augustine	
2:50 – 3:20	19		Discussion Questions and Answers	Tony Fraser Facilitator
3:20 -3:30	20		Wrap up	Lennox Grant Facilitator
			END OF DAY 1	



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DAY 2
Thursday June 4, 2009
Teak Room

AM 8:00 – 8:10	1	Introduction	Manoah Esipisu, Chairman	
	2	PLENARY 2	<i>CSME, EPA and their role and impact within the global turmoil</i>	Patrick Cozier Facilitator
8:10 – 8:25	3	Global Trade	Dr. Hamid Rashid Senior Policy Advisor UNDP Bureau of Development Policy	
8:25 – 8:40	4	Caribbean Perspective	Dr. Anthony Gonsalves Trade Specialist	
8:40 – 9:40	5		DISCUSSION Questions and Answers	
9:40 – 10:05	6	EPA and Caricom trade	Norris Herbert Director , Ministry of Trade and Industry	
10:05 - 10:35	7		DISCUSSION Questions and Answers	
10:35 – 10:50	8	COFFEE BREAK		
10.50 to 11:00	9	FIELD TRIP	-Assemble in the Lobby -Board the Bus	Lennox Grant



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				Facilitator
11:00 – 12:10	10		Departure from Crowne Plaza to Pt Lisas Industrial Estate	
PM 12:10 – 1:10	11	LUNCH		
1:10 – 1:25	12	Greetings	- Lennox Grant Facilitator - Jeannette Elias, Corporate Communications Manager The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago -Manoah Esipisu Deputy Director, Communications Commonwealth Secretariat	
1:25 – 1:45	12	Energy Presentation	Ms. Jeannette Elias, Corporate Communications Manager The National Gas Company	
1:45 – 2:00	11	State of the Energy Sector in Trinidad and Tobago. Prospects for the future	South Trinidad Chamber of Industry and Commerce	
2:00 – 3:00	12		DISCUSSION	Lennox Grant Facilitator
3 :00 – 3 :45	13	Site visit to Pt Lisas Industrial Estate	Ms. Jeannette Elias, Corporate Communications Manager The National Gas Company	
3:45 – 4:00	14		DISCUSSION	Tony Fraser Facilitator
4 :00 – 4 :10	15	Vote of Thanks	Manoah Esipisu Commonwealth Secretariat	



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DAY 3

Friday June 5, 2009

Teak Room

AM 9:00 – 9:05	1	Introduction	Manoah Esipisu	
	2	PLENARY 3	CSME – Caribbean Integration Challenge	
9:05 – 9:20	3	Caribbean Integration	Jon Golding Consultant	
9:20 -10:10	4		DISCUSSION Questions and Answers	Patrick Cozier Facilitator
10:10 – 10:20	5	COFFEE BREAK		
10:20 – 10:35	6	Monetary Policy Aspect	Central Bank of TT	
10:35 - 10:50	6		DISCUSSION Questions and Answers	Patrick Cozier Facilitator
10:25 – 10:40	7	Corporate Financing/Financial Reports	Christine Sahadeo Senior Lecture, University of the West Indies, St Augustine, Trinidad	
10:40 - 11:45	8		DISCUSSION Questions and Answers	Patrick Cozier Facilitator
11:45 - 12.45	9		LUNCH	



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12:45 - 1:00	10	Introduction to CHOGM 2009	Sharifa Ali-Abdullah Senior Coordinator, National Secretariat for the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting 2009, Office of the Prime Minister, GoRTT	
1:00 – 1:15	11	Meet the Media - CHOGM	Felipe Noguera Communications Coordinator National Secretariat, VSOA & CHOGM	
1:15 – 2:45	12	Reporting on International Events	Manoah Esipisu Felipe Noguera Tony Fraser Lennox Grant	
2 :45 – 3 :00	13	Wrap Up	DISCUSSION Questions and Answers	Tony Fraser Lennox Grant Facilitators
3 :00 – 3 10	14	Closing Remarks	Manoah Esipisu Deputy Director, Communications and Public Affairs Division	
3:10 - 3:45	15	COFFEE		
3 :30 – 4 :00	16		END OF WORKSHOP Travel arrangements	Adelle Roopchand Facilitator



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