

Hilton Rose Hall Resort and Spa, Montego Bay, Jamaica

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GS2.2022 Theme: Adaptability and resilience – Technological transformation driving change and sustainability in communities and cities

GS2.2022 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE (Subject to Change)

Pre-Conference 1 Thursday July 12

10:00 a.m. Conference Launch Virtual

Main Address: **Mr. Omar Sweeney**
Managing Director, Jamaica Social Investment Fund
Creating a nexus between the lived experiences and best practices for development of cities and urban renewal

Remarks: **Mr. Richard Vernon**
Deputy Mayor, Montego Bay, Jamaica
Montego Bay driving the new urban agenda

Miss Joan Dennis
Senior Project Manager, National Housing Trust
Housing and capacity building in the urban spaces

Mr. Anthony Drummonds
Section Lead, Technological Transformation GS2.2022
Digital technology and the future of resilient cities

Event sponsored by The University of the West Indies, Mona

Pre-Conference 2 Thursday October 6

6:00 p.m. Technical Session and Media Engagement Faculty of Medical Sciences (Mona, Kgn)

Greening City Kingston for Walkability and Resilience

Feature: **Mr. Jhordan Channer and Ms. Dorraine Duncan**
Island City Lab
Walk Good. Stitching Kingston Together

For sponsors, media, city planners, and conference participants

Event co-sponsored by Jamaica Broilers

FULL CONFERENCE	November 16 – 18	HILTON ROSEHALL
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Day One	Wednesday	November 16
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8:30	Conference Registration (Secretariat)	Negril
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9:00 a.m.	Special Students Workshops (Invitation-only)	Cornwall-Mount Zion
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Student

Sponsors: Jamaica Social Investment Fund
National Water Commission
Grace Kennedy Foundation
Port Authority of Jamaica

Workshop 1: Exploring new frontiers for coastal sustainability
Ms. Shanna-Lee Thomas (Chief Scientific Officer),
Ms. Jhenesaa Rankine (Intern), and Ms. Trudy-Ann Campbell
(Outreach/Project Officer)
UWI Discovery Bay Marine Laboratory

Presentation: Jamaica National Group
Mr. Omar Wright (JN Foundation)
Mrs. Kimberly Gardner (MRO, JN Group)

11:15	Break
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Workshop 2: Techno Innovations – Surviving and Conquering the Digital Space
Mr. Anthony Drummonds
Department of Computing, UWI Mona-WJC

1:00	Lunch and Informational Engagement	Dining Room
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This special workshop is sponsored by the Jamaica National (Jn) Group and Jamaica Bauxite & Mining Limited. The students are drawn from across the parishes of St James, St. Ann, and Kingston and St. Andrew and are sponsored by the Port Authority of Jamaica, Grace Kennedy Foundation, National Water Commission, and Jamaica Social Investment Fund.

3:00	End of Special Students Workshop
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Arrivals and Registration (Secretariat)	Negril
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6:00 p.m.	Opening Ceremony	Ballroom
	<p>Guest Speaker: Her Excellency, Judith Slater <i>British High Commissioner to Jamaica</i></p> <p>Professor Dale Webber <i>PVC and Principal</i> <i>The University of the West Indies, Mona</i></p> <p>His Worship, Councillor Leeroy Williams <i>Mayor of Montego Bay</i></p> <p>Mr Tariq Alli <i>IDB Representative Jamaica</i> <i>General Manager of the Country Department Caribbean</i></p> <p>Miss Joan Dennis <i>Senior Project Manager, National Housing Trust</i></p> <p>Performance: Shaundre Cowan</p> <p>Reception</p>	

8:00 P.M. END OF DAY ONE

Day Two Thursday November 17 Ballroom

9:00 A.M. PLENARY 1: ADAPTABILITY AND RESILIENCE – THE GS2 AGENDA IN EDUCATION

	<p>Moderator: Miss Sandra Stubbs <i>Librarian, UWI Mona WJC Branch Library</i></p> <p>Keynote: Transforming Green, SMART and Safe – The case of UWI Mona Professor Dale Webber <i>PVC and Principal</i> <i>The University of the West Indies, Mona</i></p>	
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9:45	<p>Panel 1: Digital Transformation and Sustainability of Caribbean Educational Institutions in a post-Covid-19 world</p> <p>What new enabling policies, programmes, and projects on digital transformation are emerging in the post Covid-19 world to ensure sustainability of safe, healthy and wholesome educational systems and social spaces across our communities and cities?</p> <p>1. Building sustainable libraries – Challenges and opportunities for the Caribbean <i>Mrs. Jessica Lewis- Marshall and Mrs. Bernadette Worrell-Johnson, UWI Mona Library</i></p>	
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2. Building climate resilient Caribbean cities through enhanced urban planning knowledge
Dr. Garfield Young, University of Technology, Jamaica
3. City Adapt – Building Climate Resilience of Urban Systems through Ecosystem-based Adaptation in Latin America and the Caribbean
Shanice Bedward-Grant, UNEP Office for Latin America and the Caribbean

11:15	Break	Rose Hall
11:30	Public Lecture: <i>Managing the social being and the deficit of socialization in a post Covid-19 environment (Streaming Live)</i>	
	Feature:	Let's connect – Schools, towns and cities: Isolation, anti-social behaviors and the dilemma of building communicative public spaces Dr. Patrick Prendergast <i>Campus Director, UWI Mona Western Jamaica Campus</i>
12:30	Lunch	Dining Room

2:00 P.M. PLENARY 2: TECHNOLOGY DRIVING THE FUTURE OF CITIES – DIGITAL AND GREEN

Moderator: Mr. Anthony Drummonds
Instructor, Department of Computing, UWI Mona WJC

International Forum: Building capacity for transformation in public services and decision-making

His Excellency Masaya Fujiwara
Ambassador of Japan to Jamaica
Japan's Urban Development Experience

Mr. Carlos Pascual Garcia
Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Spain
Sustainability in Spanish Cities: A Green Approach

Ms. Laura Hildebrandt
SIDS Digital Transformation Specialist, UNDP Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Multi-Country Office
The future of cities is digital

Mr. Jevon Henry
Economics Lecturer, University of the West Indies, Mona
The impact of Phishing on Smart City Development: Can Behavioral Economics Provide an Explanation?

Reflecting on the increasing demand for smart city technology systems and solutions, increasing urbanization, and the ubiquity of smart technology to the life and livelihood of individual citizens. How do leaders and managers of city development across the Caribbean apply new technologies to accelerate progress towards overall health and well-being?

3:30 P.M. CONCURRENT SESSIONS (Green. Safe. Smart) Rose Hall/Hanover/Cornwall

Physical and technological infrastructure in city planning and sustainable development

What road and utility network is needed for the modern urban space? Has the global trend towards SMART city designations left the Caribbean in an untenable and disadvantageous position? What is the impact of industry expansion and development on the life of cities and communities across the Caribbean region?

Section 1: Go Green (Environmental Sustainability) Rose Hall

1. Investigation of Risk to Sustainable Development in the Caribbean - A Comparative Analysis with Correlation and Convolutional Neural Network
Dr. Shaheerah Jordan and Jean Brice Tetka, University of East London (Virtual)
2. Assessing the Impact of Tourism on the Implementation of Renewable Energy in Caribbean Cities
Dr. John Shelton, Northern Illinois University
3. Sand, sea, waterfronts and wasteland – Building Urban Parks as Centers of Environmental and Social Resilience in Montego Bay and Portmore
Ronald Brown and Shyrl Wilson, Urban Development Corporation
4. Sustainable Urban Greening- A roadmap towards implementation and maintenance
Lajoy Edghill, Sean Jarrette, and Shunelle Nevers, Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation

Facilitator: Mrs. Doreen Prendergast

Section 2: Go Safe (Safety, Security and Inclusivity) Hanover

5. Redefining community engagement and inclusivity in the modernization of urban spaces
Abigail Edwards, Urban Development Corporation
6. Institutional design for sustainable urbanization: The state of play in the Caribbean
Prof. Eris Schoburgh, Stephanie McDonald, and David Salmon, UWI Mona (Virtual)

7. City Adapt - A thrust towards the institutionalization of Urban EbA in the Jamaican landscape
Danielle Kitson, UNEP Office for Latin America and the Caribbean

Facilitator: Miss Joan Dennis

Section 3:	Go Smart (Technological Transformation)	Cornwall
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8. Digital transformation as a tool for creating sustainable cities
Shantae Porteous, UNDP Indonesia
9. Walkability – The greatest and most necessary transportation innovation for sustainable island cities
Jhordan Channer, Island City Lab
10. “Werk wi a Werk” - Informality and technology adoption in microenterprises in underserved communities in Jamaica
Mona Sue-Ho, Jamaica Social Investment Fund

Facilitator: Dr. Garfield Young

5:00 P.M. Break

7:00 P.M.	OPEN SESSION	Public Forum (Virtual)	Rose Hall
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Amplifying Youth Voice and Action – Youth-led initiatives as social transformation and empowerment pathways to sustainable cities and communities

Ms. Davoreen Gaynor
Mr. Nicholas James

This 90-minute public forum examines the nexus between youth empowerment and social transformation initiatives and the overall sustainability of inclusive, safe, and productive cities and communities.

Facilitated by the United Nations Development Programme
Jamaica, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, The Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos Islands

END OF DAY TWO

Day Three	Friday	November 18
9:00 A.M.	PLENARY 3:	BUILDING RESILIENCE – LOCAL GOVERNANCE, SAFETY, SECURITY AND INCLUSIVITY
	Moderator:	Mr. Omar Simpson <i>Western Regional Manager, UDC</i>
	Keynote:	Building capacity for transformation – Big projects linking urban and rural cities and communities Hon. Homer Davis, MP <i>Minister of State, Office of the Prime Minister, Western Jamaica</i> The social and economic nexus between urban and rural development and the implications for infrastructure and technological transformation of cities and communities
9:45 A.M.	Panel 3:	The place of community in defining social, economic, environmental, and institutional resilience Cities are only as strong as their weakest link. Social inclusiveness and a multidimensional, multi-sectoral, people centered engagement are key to the promotion of safe, secure, just, resilient and sustainable cities and communities. To what extent are the people involved in the development planning of their cities and communities and what are the implications for inclusion? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “In sickness or in health”: Community policing and citizen engagement during the Covid 19 pandemic <i>Noel Daley, Jamaica Social Investment Fund (JSIF)</i> 2. A digital citizen science approach towards a green and livable Caribbean city <i>Lisa Best, Tropenbos, Suriname</i> 3. Managing Displacement for National Development <i>Dainty-Ann Barrett-Smith, JSIF and Shunelle Nevers, MEGJC</i> 4. Auditing Violence in Vulnerable Communities – Norwood and Denham Town as Pilots <i>Jamaro Marville, UNDP</i>
12:30	Lunch	Dining Room

2:00 p.m. CLOSING SESSION: City Planning and Partnerships for Sustainable Development

Moderator: **Ms. Dione Chambers**
Manager, National Spatial Strategy
National Environment Planning Agency

Panelists: Building Partnerships for Research and Development
Mr. Richard Vernon
Deputy Mayor, City of Montego Bay

Localizing the SDGs in the Municipal Corporation
Mr. Trevion Manning
Chief Planner, St James Municipal Corporation

Ms. Marlet Wellington
Director of Planning, Trelawny Municipal Corporation

Inclusive and Participatory Planning in Informal Settlement
Ms. Anna Wahlen
Architect and Urban Planner
Participatory Slum Upgrading Programme, UN-Habitat

Ms. Kerstin Sommer
Programme Manager
Participatory Slum Upgrading Programme, UN-Habitat

3:15

FUTURE SCOPING - GS2.2024
Dr. Patrick Prendergast
Caribbean Sustainable Cities Conference Planning Committee

3:30

END OF CONFERENCE

