

**CARIBBEAN URBAN FORUM 2017
DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY 17th MAY 2017**

7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION		
8:00 a.m.- 9:30 a.m	OPENING CEREMONY (Room A)		
9:30 a.m - 10:45 a.m.	<p align="center">Session 1 Session moderator: Dr. Sharmayne Saunders (The University of the West Indies, Open Campus)</p> <p align="center">Opportunities in Climate Change to address the Energy Needs of Communities and the Private Sector- Dr. Ulric Trotz and Ms. Sharon Lindo (Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre)</p>		
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	COFFEE BREAK		
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m	<p align="center">Room A Sub-theme: Green Economy Session 2a Session moderator: Marcus Mayr (UN-Habitat)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stemming the flow: Exploring youth entrepreneurship and LED in the Caribbean - Kizzann Lee Sam and Natalia Ramdoe (Caribbean Local Economic Development project) • Local Economic Development and the Local Government – The Case of the City of Belmopan. Ralston Frazer (Belmopan City Council) • Implementing the Smart Hospital Toolkit: Implications for Broader Policy Application for Sustainable Development and Climate Change Resilience in Belize - Douglas M. O. Westby (Ministry of Health, Belize) and Keisha Rodriguez (Belize Association of Planners) • 	<p align="center">Room B Cross-cutting Sub-theme: Session 2b Session moderator: Asad Mohammed (The University of the West Indies)</p> <p align="center">Caribbean Working Group on Implementation Plan for New Urban Agenda/HABITAT III (Closed meeting)</p>	<p align="center">Room C Sub-theme : Green Space Session 2c Session moderator: Sohel Rana (UN- Habitat)</p> <p align="center">A short course on public space assessment and planning.</p>
10:45 a.m. –	LUNCH		

12:00 p.m			
1:p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	<p style="text-align: center;">Room A Sub-theme: Green Energy Session 3a Session moderator: Dr. Perry Polar(Caribbean Network for Urban and Land Management)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The use of algae as a sustainable fuel and food source to supplement resources in the Caribbean region Mrs. Shari Benn-Ogeer, Dr Roger Deo and Dr David Janes (The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine) • Hydropower from Municipal Water Supply Reservoir - Asif Mohammed (The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine) • Feasibility of co-located offshore wind and wave energy generation - Tiffany White (The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine) • The challenges of Healthier and Popular Urban transport - Alfred Kwasi Opoku (Ghana Institute of Planners) 	<p style="text-align: center;">Room B Sub-theme: Green Space Session 3b Session moderator: Dr. Carol Archer (University of Technology, Jamaica)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reimagining Speightstown in the Context of Contemporary Spatial Classifications - Godfrey St. Bernard and Marsha Hinds-Layne (The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine) • The Impact and challenges of Increasing Densities and Heights within the Kingston metropolitan area (KMA) of Jamaica - Leonard Francis (National Environment and Planning Agency, Jamaica) • Synergies in the Urban Rehabilitation of Bridgetown - Sharon M. Griffith (Caribbean Development Bank) and Charles C. Holder (Holder Consulting Inc.) • Providing Solutions to Engineering Pitfalls In Hydraulically Sensitive Areas -Wilfredo Ernesto Guerrero (LeadingEdge Synergy Consulting) 	<p style="text-align: center;">Room C Sub-theme : Green Space Session 3c Session moderator: Sohel Rana (UN-Habitat)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A short course on public space assessment and planning (continued)</p>
2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	COFFEE BREAK		
3:00 p.m. - 5:00pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Room A Session 4a Hosted by Total Business Solutions Ltd.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Application of ESRI to urban planning and sustainable urban land management using Belize case studies.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Room B Session 4b Caribbean Planners Association Annual Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Room c Session 4c Hosted by the Belmopan City Council</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Finals/ Awards Ceremony Minecraft</p>
7:00 pm - 10:00 p.m.	WELCOME COCKTAILS AND CULTURAL NIGHT		
	END OF DAY 1		

DAY 2 – THURSDAY 18th MAY 2017

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<p>8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p align="center">Room A Sub-theme : Green Energy Session 5a</p> <p align="center">Session moderator: Eleanor Mohammed- (Canadian Institute of Planners)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Building in Trinidad and Tobago – Constraints and Opportunities: An exploratory approach – Dr. Samantha Chadee and Prof. Valerie Stoute (University of Trinidad and Tobago) • How the adoption of a green building certification program or rating system can improve the efficacy of the T&T planning system - Petal Joseph (i3 Green Consultants) • Institutional and Regulatory Co-ordination in the Implementation of Energy Efficient Lighting Standards: The Case of the Eastern Caribbean – Dr. Kalim Shah.(Indiana University) 	<p align="center">Room B Sub-theme : Green Space Session 5b</p> <p align="center">Session moderator: TBA Plenary Speaker</p> <p align="center">Gilberto Chona. Lead Specialist, Urban Economics (Inter-American Development Bank)</p> <p align="center">Inequality, Sprawl and Urban Sustainability in Caribbean Cities: Evidence from The IDB's Emerging and Sustainable Cities Program</p>	<p align="center">Room C Sub-theme: Green Space Session 5c</p> <p align="center">Session moderator: Dr. Kareem Usher (The Ohio State University)</p> <p align="center">Addressing Coastal Adaptation in the Caribbean: Perspectives from IDB Operations and Research</p>
<p>10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.</p>	<p>COFFEE BREAK</p>		
<p>10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</p>	<p align="center">Room A Sub-theme : Green Space Session 6a</p> <p align="center">Session moderator: Dr. Perry Polar(Caribbean Network for Urban and Land Management)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicinal Plants: The Blueprints of a New Urban Legacy - Alana Abdool (The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine) • Planning for Resilience: Using Agricultural Cooperatives to Address Food Security in 	<p align="center">Room B Sub-theme : Green Economy Session 6b</p> <p align="center">Session moderator: Carolyn Trench Sandiford (Belize Association of Planners)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The resource curse, Corporate Social Responsibility and the Host Community Dependency: Evidence from Trinidad and Tobago and Suriname for Guyana - Dr. Roger Hosein and Dr. Daren Conrad (The University of 	<p align="center">Room C Sub-theme : Green Space Session 6c</p> <p align="center">Session moderator: Dr. Cesar Boullion (Inter-American Development Bank)</p> <p align="center">Challenges to Low-Income Housing and Neighborhood</p>

	<p>Belize - Zachary Haigh (Vancouver Island University)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating and Securing Green Space through Cultural Strength: Belize a Case Study - Cynthia Ellis-Topsey 	<p>the West Indies, St. Augustine)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The production of cementitious materials from seawater to supplement building requirements in the Caribbean - Dr. Roger Deo (The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine) • A Study of the Georgetown Parking Meter Project and the Struggle to Transform the City into a Green and Sustainable Environment – Dr. Patrick E. Williams (University of Guyana) • The role of the Environment in Belize City Branding - Celishia Guy, Jasmin Swan, Louis Thompson and Shola Babb 	<p>Upgrading in the Caribbean”</p> <p>Panelist: Robin Rajack (IADB), Gilberto Chona (IADB), TBA (Belize Ministry of Housing and Urban Development), TBA (Jamaica); TBA (Guyana or Suriname).</p>
<p>12:00 p.m. – 1:00p.m.</p>	<p>LUNCH</p>		
<p>1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Session 7 Experiential tours - Departing from the Radisson Fort George Hotel</p> <p><i>Experiencing the Waterfront and Historic Downtown Belize City:</i> a look at the opportunities and challenges for a revitalized downtown district. <i>Examining the Concept of a Metro Belize City:</i> a look at the spatial growth patterns and expansion of Belize City and surrounding communities, including planning and environmental issues, potential economic activity, squatter type settlements and challenges to mobility. <i>Embracing the Water City:</i> a look at the potential for development and risks to Haulover Creek, the Belize River and the city’s coastline, including flooding and preserving the marine ecology.</p>		
<p>6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Room A Session 8 Mayor’s Forum Hosts: Mayor Darrell Bradley (Belize City Council)</p> <p>Panelists: Mayor Donovan Mitchell (Manchester Parish Council), Jamaica), Mayor Edwin Escobar (Villa Nueva City, Guatemala), Chairman Terry Rondon (Sangre Grande Regional Corporation, Trinidad & Tobago), Mayor Khalid Belisle (Belmopan City Council, Belize), President Yoland Jno Jules (CALGA), and Dr. Bishnu Ragoonath (The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine).</p>		
	<p>END OF DAY 2</p>		

DAY 3 – FRIDAY 19th MAY 2017			
8:15 a.m.- 9:45 a.m	Sub-theme: Green Space Session 9 Session moderator: TBA Cities and Climate Change in the Caribbean Panelists: Keith Nicholas (Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre) and Marcus Mayr (UN-Habitat).		
9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	COFFEE BREAK		
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m	Room A Sub-theme: Green Space Session 10a Session moderator: Kizzann Le Sam (Caribbean Local Economic Development project) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lessons and Practices in Comprehensive Community Renewal - Abigail Moriah • Local initiatives towards local economic development in Suriname - Negretha Amiembra (Ministry of Regional Development, Suriname) • Our Voices, Our Outcomes: The Case of the Implementation of Phase II of the UN-Habitat Participatory Slum Upgrading Programme in Jamaica - Doreen M. Prendergast (Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation, Jamaica) • The Difference Green Space Can Make: Exploring an Urban Parks System for Belize City - Connecting Families with Greenspace for Justice and Resiliency - Kareem M. Usher (The Ohio State University) and Keisha Rodriguez (Belize Association of Planners) 	Room B Sub-theme: Green Economy Session 10b Session moderator: Leonard Francis (National Environment and Planning Association, Jamaica) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Land Use Policy and Physical Development Plan for the Commonwealth of Dominica - Rory Baksh (Dillon Consulting), Annie Edwards Dominica (Physical Planning Division, Dominica), Michel Frojmovic (Acacia Consulting & Research) • Community Benefits Agreements as a policy tool for community development and its application to Ambergris Caye, Belize: A guiding framework - Eric J. Sanchez (Vancouver Island University) • Sustainable Barranco: A 'Bottom Up' Village Revival Master Plan - Kenneth Williams (Vancouver Island University) • The Green Economy and Housing – Practical, Pragmatic or Pitiful? - Dereck Alleyne (Urban Development Commission, Trinidad and Tobago) and Raymond Lorde (National 	Room C Sub-theme: Green Space – Session 10c Session moderator: <p style="text-align: center;">Belmopan Urban Development – Towards a sustainable garden city.</p> <p>Panelists: Marcus Mayr (UN-Habitat), Rogier Van Den Berg (UN-Habitat) and Mayor Khalid Belisle (Belmopan City Council, Belize).</p>

		Housing Corporation, Trinidad and Tobago)	
11:30 p.m – 12:30 p.m.	LUNCH		
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<p style="text-align: center;">Room A Sub-theme: Green Space Session 11a Session moderator: Carolyn Trench Saniford (Belize Association of Planners)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adapting to Climate Change: Potential Lessons for the Caribbean - Dr. Gary Davidson and Ms. Beate Bowron Emergent Risks from Rapid industrialization in the Caribbean - Dr Roger Deo (The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine) Promoting Climate Change Resilient Strategies for Poor Urban Communities in Guyana: A Case Study of Tiger Bay - Patrick Williams and Linda Bholah-Johnson (University of Guyana) Assessing Alternative Resiliency Strategies in Under-resourced Coastal Communities in Belize Impacted by Climate Change and Vulnerable to Environmental Risk - James Kostaras, Elda Solloso and Maren Larsen (Institute for International Urban Development) 	<p style="text-align: center;">Room B Sub-theme: Green Space Session 11b Session moderator: TBA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding the process of waterfront development in Belize; perspectives from the coast - Devan Cronshaw (Vancouver Island University) Sustainable Local Water Governance: the right connections - Darwin Horning (University of Northern British Columbia) and Marlie Temple (Belize Department of Rural Development) Enhancing Coastal Resilience in the Grenville Bay Area (Grenada) with the use of nature-based solutions – AWE’s Case Study - Nealla Frederick and Vera Agostini (The Nature Conservancy) 	<p style="text-align: center;">Room C Sub-theme: Green Space Session 11c Session moderator: TBA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Community participation for safe, accessible and inclusive public spaces: UN-Habitat’s Experience.</p>
2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	COFFEE BREAK		
2:15 p.m. - 3:45pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Room A Sub-theme: Green Space Session 12a Session moderator: Kareem Usher (The Ohio State University)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Room B Sub-theme: Green Space Session 12b Session moderator: Dr. Carol Archer (University of Technology, Jamaica)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Room C Sub-theme: Green Space Session 12c Session moderator: TBA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Living Streets - Steve Kemp and

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ecological Space In Urban Communities- Kingston As An Ecological Space - Leonard Francis, Toni- Ann Reid and Winston Quest (National Environment and Planning Agency, Jamaica) • Blue-Green Networks as a spatial development strategy - the case of Belmopan, Belize - Marcus Mayr, Chandra Rouse, Rogier van den Berg (UN-Habitat) • Urban Green Spaces: Use them or lose them? - Carren Williams (Belize Association of Planners) • Urban Watersheds in Belize-Challenges and Solutions using Mount Pleasant Creek as an example - Dr. Ed Boles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Placemaking and conflict in inner-urban community: the case of Tivoli Gardens, Kingston Jamaica - Earl Bailey (University of Technology, Jamaica) • How Policy Mobilities Immobilize Planning in Haiti? - Sophonie M. Joseph (Columbia University) • Empowering local government for a Sustainable Caribbean: A CALL TO ACTION – Alderman Anthony Roberts (Caribbean Association Local Government Authorities) 	<p>Charlotte Kemp (OpenPlan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Really</i> Involving Stakeholders in Conservation Planning: Case studies of stakeholders' feedback in conservation planning.- Sonide Simon (Simon Consulting) • Adaptive Strategies for Caribbean Community-based Planning - Carianne Johnson (University of Salford) • Creating Complete Communities: Drawing the connection between ideas and actions in Belize - Shirley L. Humes (Vancouver Island University)
3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<p>Sub-theme: Cross-cutting theme Session 13 Presentation on Working Group on Habitat III</p> <p>Panelists: Asad Mohammed (CNULM)</p>		
2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	<p>Session 14 Meeting of the Central American Association of Municipal Councils (CAMCAYA) (Closed meeting)</p>		
7:00 pm - 9:00 p.m.	<p>CLOSING CEREMONY</p>		
	<p>END OF DAY 3</p>		
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