

OOCUR 2017 Conference Theme : Balancing the Interests -Lessons from Caribbean Regulators

Venue: Magdalena Grand, Tobago

Tuesday 7th November, 2017

3:00 pm- 6:00 pm

Check- In & Early Registration

3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

OOCUR Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday 8th November, 2017 (Day 1)

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration

Official Opening Ceremony

Master of Ceremonies: David Geddes, Executive Director OOCUR

National Anthem: Pan Solo

Prayer:

Welcome Remarks: Mr. Ansord Hewitt, Chairman of OOCUR

Opening Remarks : Dr. Hyacinth Guy, Chairman, RIC, Trinidad and Tobago

Host Country Address: Mr. Clarence Jacob, Secretary, Division of Infrastructure & Public Utilities, THA

Entertainment : East Indian Dance

Feature Address: The Honourable Robert Le Hunte, Minister of Public Utilities

Entertainment : Tobago Cultural Dance

Vote of Thanks: Glenn Khan, Executive Director, IRC, Dominica

10:45 am - 11:10 am

Coffee Break & Networking Session

11:10 am - 12:00 noon

Keynote Speaker: Professor Sanford Berg - **"Three Lessons for Improving Infrastructure Performance"**

12:15noon-1:15pm

Lunch

1:15pm - 2:55 pm

Session 1: Utility Regulation Policy

Moderator

Name	Organisation
Dr. James Lee Young	RIC, Trinidad and Tobago

1:15 pm -1:35 pm

Presenters	Name	Organisation	Paper
1	Dr. Marsha Atherley-Ikechi	Fair Trading Commission, Barbados	Managing the Water/Energy Nexus: Regulatory Imperatives

1:35 pm - 1:55 pm

2	Araceli Castenada	PURC, Florida	When Regulators lead: resolving your toughest challenges
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1:55 am - 2:15 pm

3	Mr. Tom Welch	US AID, CARCEP	Value of National/regional information Sharing and Policy Development
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2:15 pm- 2:35pm

4	Ms. Beatriz Estrada Moreno	Energy Regulatory Commission, Mexico	Energy Regulation - World Energy Forum
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2:35pm-2:55pm

Questions and Answers

3:00 pm- 4:50pm

Panel Discussion - Legal & Regulatory

Moderator

Name	Organisation
Mr. Stephen Bereaux	URCA, Bahamas

Topics include:
 Legislative Reform, Corporate Governance, Legal Challenges to Regulatory Decisions, Introducing Licenses where PPAs/WPAs exist & Competition Law

Panelists include:
 Ms. Cheryl Lewis (OUR, Jamaica); Ms. Nievia Ramsundar (TATT, T&T); Ms. Elizabeth Butler (CARCEP, Jamaica); Ms. Nadia John (RIC, T&T); Mr. Bevan Narinesingh (FTC, T&T)

4:30pm- 4:50pm

Questions and Answers

4:50pm-5:00pm

Wrap Up & Announcements - by Master of Ceremonies

6:00pm-9:00pm

Cocktail Reception

Thursday 9th November, 2017 (Day 2)

8:15am - 3:00 pm

Registration

8:15am-8:30am

Welcome to Day 2 & Recap - Master of Ceremonies

8:30 am- 10:30 am

Session 2: Renewable Energy

Moderator

Name

Organisation

Mr. Ansord Hewitt

OUR, Jamaica

Presenters

Name

Organisation

Paper

8:30 am- 8:50am

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Dr. Thackwray Driver

Energy Chamber Trinidad and Tobago

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in a Hydrocarbon Economy

8:50am -9:10am

2

Mr. Winston Robotham

OUR, Jamaica

Energy storage: Right Balance, Right Price

9:10 am - 9:30 am

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Mr. Connel Mottley

RIC, Trinidad

Towards fulfilling International Environmental Obligations - An EE/EC Strategy for T&T

9:30 am - 9:50am

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Ms. Anita Hankey

Ministry of Energy , T&T

Renewable Energy - The Way Forward

9:50am - 10:10am

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Mr. Tom Welch

US AID, CARCEP

Regulatory Issues concerning Electric Vehicles

10:10am - 10:30am

Questions and Answers

10:30 am - 10:50am

Coffee Break & Networking Session

10:50 am - 12:35 pm

Panel discussion & Presentation - Mini grids

	Moderator	Name	Organisation
		Mr. Kenva Williams	TCI Telecoms Commission, Turks & Caicos
11:00 am -11:30 am	1	Ms. Emily Chessin	NARUC
11:30 am - 12:00noon	2	Ms. Whitney Muse	NARUC
12:05pm-12:25pm	3	Dr. Xavier Lemaire	University College, London
12:25noon- 12:45pm	Questions and Answers		

12:45pm-1:55pm	Lunch		
1:55pm - 4:00pm	Session 3: Telecoms/ICT		
	Moderator	Name	Organisation
		Ms. Sandra Sealey	FTC, Barbados
1:55pm-2:15pm	1	Ms. Kathleen Reviere-Smith	Northend Advisory Services, Bahamas
2:15pm-2:35pm	2	Ms. Dela Britton	PUC, Guyana
2:35pm-2:55pm	3	Ms. Nakesha Allen	OUR, Jamaica
2:55pm-3:15pm	4	Ms. Trevonne Clarke	TATT, T&T
3:15pm - 3:35pm	5	Ms. Alana Motilal	TATT, T&T
3:40pm-4:00pm	Questions and Answers		

4:00pm-4:15pm **Wrap Up & Announcements - by Master of Ceremonies**

4:30pm-5:30pm **OOCUR Annual General Meeting**

7:30pm-10:30pm **Conference Dinner**

Friday 10th November 2017 (Day 3)

7:00am-8:00am

OOCUR Executive Committee Meeting

8:45-9:00am
9:00am- 10:30 am

Welcome to Day 3 & Recap - Master of Ceremonies

Session 4: Water/Wastewater

Moderator	Name	Organisation
	Ms. Dela Britton	PUC, Guyana

9:00am- 9:20am
9:20am -9:50 am
9:50 am - 10:10 am
10:10am - 10:30am
10:30am- 11:00am

Presenters	Name	Organisation	Paper
1	Mr. Derrick Phillips/Mr. Victor Rodriguez	RIC, T&T	The Challenges of Implementing Quality of Service Standards for Water and Wastewater in T&T
2	Ms. Fiona Scantlebury	FTC, Barbados	The Challenge of Regulating a previously self-regulating, publicly owned Water Utility
3	Ms. Arianne Phillip	RIC, T&T	Promoting the Implementation of a Water Safety Plan in T&T
Questions and Answers			

Coffee Break & Networking Session

11:00am -11:20am

T&TEC presentation - The Impact of Regulation on the Utility: Recommendations for the Future

11:25am - 1:05 pm
11:25 am -11:45 am
11:45 am - 12:05pm

Session 5: Regulation and Social Policy

Moderator	Name	Organisation
	Mr. Glenn Khan	IRC, Dominica

Presenters	Name	Organisation	Paper
1	Ms. Leah Goddard-Pierre	RIC, Trinidad	Utility Service Affordability - Role of the Regulator and Effectiveness of Measures Implemented
2	Mr. Hayden Romano	EMA, Trinidad	National Environmental Policy; not only about the Environment

12:05 am - 12:25 pm	3	Ms. Nehanda Nkrumah	RIC, Trinidad	The Evolution of Corporate Social Responsibility in Utilities
12:25 am - 12:45 pm	4	Mr. Tom Welch	US AID, CARCEP	Regulatory Tools for Planning and Recovering from Disasters
12:45 pm- 1:05pm	Questions and Answers			
1:05 pm-1:20pm	Closing Session & Adjournment - Ansord Hewitt			
1:20-1:30pm	Announcements for Tours and other Housekeeping - Driselle Ramjohn			
1:30pm- 2:30pm	Closing Luncheon			
3:00 - 6:00pm	Tobago Island Tours			