



SHOCK-RESPONSIVE SOCIAL PROTECTION IN THE CARIBBEAN

Regional Symposium | Providenciales, Turks & Caicos Islands – 27 June 2019

Towards a Safer, more Resilient, and Sustainable Caribbean: strengthening the linkages between Disaster Risk Management & Social Protection to protect lives and livelihoods and assist crisis-affected people with greater efficiency, efficacy and equity.

THURSDAY 27 JUNE 2019

Venue: The Shore Club – The Ballroom

TIME

08:00-08:30

REGISTRATION

08:30-09:00

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Speakers

- **Honourable Deputy Premier Sean R. Astwood**, Turks & Caicos Islands Minister of Infrastructure Housing Planning & Development
- **Mr Ronald Jackson**, Executive Director, Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency
- **Mr Regis Chapman**, Head of WFP Barbados Office for Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Caribbean

09:00-09:15

INTRODUCTION & EXPLANATION OF THE SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS

Masters of Ceremony

- **Ms Juliette Maughan**, Programme Policy Officer, World Food Programme
- **Ms Yasmin Swidan**, Programme Policy Officer, World Food Programme

09:15-10:00

INFO SESSION I

Shock-Responsive Social Protection in the Caribbean: Concepts and Approaches

What roles can social protection play in preparing for, responding to and mitigating emergencies? This session will explore key concepts, approaches and preliminary findings of the WFP-led regional study on Shock-Responsive Social Protection in the Caribbean.

Presenters

- **Ms Francesca Ciardi**, Programme Policy Officer, World Food Programme
- **Mr Rodolfo Beazley**, Senior Researcher, Oxford Policy Management





10:00-11:00

PANEL DISCUSSION I

Linking Disaster Risk Management and Social Protection in the Caribbean: Challenges, Opportunities and Best Practices

Moderated by

- **Ms Elizabeth Riley**, Deputy Executive Director, Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency

Panellists

- **Ms Judith Alpuche**, Chief Executive Officer, Belize Ministry of Human Development, Social Transformation and Poverty Alleviation
- **Dr Evangeline Inniss-Springer**, Deputy Director, British Virgin Islands Department of Disaster Management
- **Dr Virginia I. Clerveaux**, Director, Turks and Caicos Islands Department of Disaster Management and Emergencies
- **Mr Isaac Anthony**, Chief Executive Officer, Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility SPC

11:00-11:30

COFFEE BREAK

11:30-12:30

PANEL DISCUSSION II

Regional Examples on the Use of Social Protection for Emergency Preparedness and Response

Moderated by

- **Mr Regis Chapman**, Head of WFP Barbados Office for Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Caribbean

Panellists

- **Ms Petrona Davies**, Permanent Secretary, British Virgin Islands Ministry of Health and Social Development
- **Ms Velda Octave-Joseph**, Permanent Secretary, St Lucia Ministry of Equity, Social Justice, Empowerment, Youth Development, Sports and Local Government
- **Mrs Colette Robert-Risden**, Permanent Secretary, Jamaica Ministry of Labour and Social Security
- **Mr Edwin José Gómez Martínez**, Economist, Dominican Republic Single System for the Identification of Beneficiaries (SIUBEN), Social Policy Cabinet

12:30-13:30

LUNCH BREAK

13:30-14:30

INFO SESSION II

Getting Prepared: investment areas for a shock-ready social protection

In a marketplace-style set-up, this session will dive into the four areas for social protection system and programme preparedness:





Presenters

- **Data Management & Targeting:** Mr Rodolfo Beazley, Senior Researcher, Oxford Policy Management
- **Delivery Mechanisms:** Ms Giorgia Testolin, Head of Programme, WFP Regional Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean
- **Coordination:** Mr Ronald Jackson, Executive Director, Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency
- **Financing:** Mr Nicholas Grainger, Programme Associate, World Food Programme

14:30-15:00

COFFEE BREAK

15:00-16:30

TOWARDS MORE RESPONSIVE SOCIAL PROTECTION IN THE CARIBBEAN: PRIORITIES & THE WAY FORWARD

Building on previous sessions, participants will share their perspectives on gaps and opportunities to strengthen the linkages between disaster risk management and social protection, and identify priorities moving forward for Shock-Responsive Social Protection in the Caribbean.

16:30-17:00

KEY TAKEAWAYS & COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

This session will highlight key takeaways from the symposium and identify next steps for the establishment of a Community of Practice on Shock-Responsive Social Protection in the Caribbean.

17:00-17:15

CLOSING REMARKS

Speakers

- **Mr Ronald Jackson**, Executive Director, Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency
- **Mr Regis Chapman**, Head of WFP Barbados Office for Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Caribbean

18:30-21:30

OPENING CEREMONY AND COCKTAIL RECEPTION: 9TH Meeting of the Council of CDEMA & WFP Regional Symposium on Shock-Responsive Social Protection in the Caribbean

Location:

Shore Club

Dress Code:

Formal

With the Honourable Minister Ralph Higgs with responsibility for Disaster Management in Turks and Caicos Islands

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