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# **International Conference on Security, Intelligence and Defence in The Caribbean**



**Date: June 12&13, 2023**

**Location: The University of the Southern Caribbean  
Social Science Auditorium, Maracas, St Joseph,  
Trinidad and Tobago**

**This International Conference will be focusing on three main themes – SECURITY, INTELLIGENCE and DEFENSE and is expected to make specific recommendations for the Caribbean region**

### **Aims and Objectives**

- This International Research Conference is dedicated to bringing together a significant number of diverse scholarly events for presentation during a two-day period. Events will run over the full span of time during the conference depending on the number and length of the presentations. With its high quality, it provides an exceptional value for students, academics and industry researchers.
- It aims to bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and research scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results on all aspects of Security, Defense and Intelligence Studies. It also provides a premier interdisciplinary platform for researchers, practitioners and educators to present and discuss the most recent innovations, trends, and concerns as well as practical challenges encountered and solutions adopted in these fields.
- Trinidad and Tobago is the Lead Head of Security in the quasi cabinet of CARICOM and as such seeks to inform and enlighten others about the main security, intelligence and defense issues facing the region so as a unified body, the region can protect and safeguard its people and its resources.

## **MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONFERENCE:**

### **7 MAJOR THEMES:**

1. **The Crime Challenge. (Including review of Regional Crime Symposium) \***
2. **Gangs, Violence and Crime\***
3. **Reintegration and Rehabilitation of FTFs, Women and Children\***
4. **Radicalization, De-radicalization and CVE**
5. **Illegal Migration and Border Management**
6. **Elements of Transnational Crime-illegal drugs, illegal weapons and human trafficking**
7. **Examination of Regional Security Institutions including CARICOM IMPACS, RSS and JRCC)\***

# TENTATIVE PROGRAM

## DAY 1: PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Monday, June 12, 2023

TIME	SESSION A	TOPIC
8:00 am-9:30 am	Registration	
9:30 am - 10:00am	Opening Ceremony Prayer-Pastor Lloyd Jacott National Anthem President-Dr Colwick Wilson (Greetings and Welcome)-10 mins. <b>Opening Remarks (TBD)</b>	
10:00-10:45	KEYNOTE Speaker –Professor Muqtedar Khan <b>Chair: Dr. Len Archer</b>	<b>Drones to Artificial Intelligence (AI). New Defense Technologies For Intelligence And Security</b>
10:45-11:00		Break
	<b>SESSION B</b>	
11:00-1:00pm	<b>ORAL PRESENTATION SESSIONS</b> <i>(a) Elements of Transnational Crime-illegal drugs, illegal weapons and human trafficking.</i> <i>(b) Illegal Migration and Border Management.</i> <i>(c) Examination of Regional Security Institutions including CARICOM IMPACS, RSS and JRCC)</i>  1.Professor Celina Realuyo <b>(online)</b>	<b>Emerging threats/transnational organized crime.</b> <b>(30 mins)</b>

	<p>2. Mr. Stephon Ramkissoon</p> <p>4. Ms. Alana Wheeler</p> <p>5. Prof. . Oluyemi Mashama</p> <p><b>Q &amp;A</b></p> <p><b>Chair: Mr. Keron Ganpat</b></p>	<p><b>Utilizing Intelligence To Counter Security Challenges In The 21<sup>st</sup> Century</b></p> <p><b>“Putting Human Traffickers Out of Business – A Practitioner’s Perspective”</b></p> <p><b>Human Trafficking in Trinidad and Tobago. Fact or Fiction?</b></p>
1:00:pm-2:00pm		LUNCH
	<b>SESSION C</b>	
2:00pm-4:00pm	<p><b>ORAL PRESENTATION SESSIONS. (d) The Crime Challenge. (Including review of Regional Crime Symposium) (e) Gangs, Violence and Crime</b></p> <p><b>1 Dr.Sherwin “Chuck” Wexler</b></p> <p>2. .Dr. Randy Seepersad (online)</p> <p>3.Mr.Garvin Heerah (Regional Strategic Security Expert)</p> <p>4..Dr. Kerry Sumesar Rai</p>	<p><b>Policing and Crime (45 mins)</b></p> <p><b>The inconsistent effect of COVID on crime in the Caribbean.</b></p> <p><b>Fixing Crime Going Forward</b></p> <p><b>The Police Service Commission and the Dissatisfaction with the Levels of Crime in the Society</b></p>

	<p>5. Dr. Andre Clarke, Chief of Operations, Regional Intelligence Fusion Centre. (IMPACS)</p> <p>6. Mr. Callixtus Joseph, Regional Crime and Security Strategy Coordinator. (IMPACS)</p> <p>7. Ms. Chantelle Cummings (UTT)</p> <p>8. Mr Roger Harripersad</p> <p><b>Q &amp; A</b></p> <p>Chair: <b>Pastor Clive Dottin</b></p>	<p><b>Regional Security Issues</b></p> <p><b>Regional Security Issues</b></p> <p><b>"Adolescents' Perspectives on Social Media Risks and Responsibilities"</b></p> <p><b>The Symbiosis of Improving One's Community to Improve All Communities</b></p>
	<b>SESSION D</b>	
4:00pm-4:30	<p><b>(f) Women/Children's security in Trinidad and Tobago.</b></p> <p>1. Mr. Hanif Benjamin</p> <p>2. Ms. Glenda Gonzales</p>	<p><b>Children and Security "</b></p> <p><b>Female homicide co-victims and justice in Trinidad and Tobago."</b></p>

<p><b>4:30-6:00pm</b></p>	<p>PANEL DISCUSSION:  <b>(g)Reintegration and Rehabilitation of FTFs, Women and Children</b></p> <p>1. Mr. Keron Dave Ganpat  2..Ms. Nafeesa Mohammed  3.Ms. Raheema Khan  4.Imam Sheraz Ali  5..Mr. Stevenson Byng</p>	<p><b>Perspectives on the Reintegration and Rehabilitation of FTFs, Women and Children</b></p>
	<p><b>Q &amp;A</b></p>	
	<p><b>Chair: Commander Garvin Heerah</b></p>	

**DAY TWO: PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

**TUESDAY JUNE 13, 2023**

TIME	SESSION	TOPIC
	SESSION E	
9:00 am-10:00am	REGISTRATION	
10:00am-10:45am	<p>SPECIAL PRESENTATION  Ambassador Manorma Soeknandan  (Former Deputy Secretary General of CARICOM)  <b>Chair: Dr. Susan Chand</b></p>	<p><b>Functional Cooperation Within the Crime and Security Framework</b></p>
10:45am-11:00am	BREAK	
	SESSION F	

<p>11:00am - 12noon</p>	<p><b>Special Presentations</b></p> <p>1. Professor Fabiana Perera (Perry Center confirmed ONLINE)</p> <p>2. Ms. Casandra Seetahal</p>	<p>Topics from the “Strategic and Political Implications of UNSCR 1325: Women, Peace, and Security (WPS) as it relates to Latin America and the Caribbean” (30mins)</p> <p>Presentation by the Anti-Terrorism Unit (ATU) on the application of Targeted Financial Sanctions for TF. (30mins)</p>
<p>12:00-1:00PM</p>	<p><b>(g) ORAL PRESENTATIONS ON ISSUES OF DEFENSE: THE CARIBBEAN IN THE GLOBAL CONTEXT (Maritime Security)</b></p> <p>SESSION :SPEAKERS include:</p> <p>Mr. Carlton Alfonso (TTDF)</p> <p>Mr. Michael Adams (TTDF)</p> <p><b>Q &amp; A</b></p> <p>Chair: Dr. Edward Clarke</p>	<p>The Imperatives of a Caribbean Defence Force. : A Critical Evaluation.</p> <p>Regional Security: Exploring the Contemporary Collective Security Role of CARICOM</p>
<p>1:00pm-2:00 pm</p>	<p>LUNCH</p>	
	<p>SESSION G</p>	
<p>2:00-2:30</p> <p>2:30pm-4:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Special Presentation</b></p> <p>Dr. Raghunath Mahabir</p> <p><b>(h) ORAL PRESENTATIONS ON ISSUES OF</b></p>	<p>Caribbean Insecurity In a Time of Global Fragmentation (30 mins)</p>

	<p><b>Radicalization, De-radicalization and CVE</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Sensei Marva Logan</li><li>2. Mr Hafeez Khan (FISCAL)</li></ol> <p><b>Q &amp;A</b></p> <p><b>Chair: Prof. Oluyemi Mashama</b></p>	<p><b>Understanding Radicalization, Violence and Crime in Trinidad and Tobago.</b></p>
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