Table of Contents

Welcome Message
- The UWI Open Campus Saint Lucia................. 1
- Sir Arthur Lewis Community College............... 2
- Monroe College........................................ 3

Conference Keynote Speaker.................................. 4

Conference Schedule............................................. 5 – 7

Plenary Speaker.................................................. 8

Presenter Bios................................................... 8 – 18

Participating Sponsors........................................... 19
Dear Delegates,

The University of the West Indies (UWI) has a mandate to educate and to share information with the public to promote research, which is part of its mission to develop and maintain the sustainability of its contributing territories. As one means of carrying out this mandate, the former UWI School of Continuing Studies (now The UWI Open Campus) established a series of multidisciplinary Country Conferences to be held in each of what were previously known as the “UWI-12” (UWI contributing countries outside of Trinidad, Barbados and Jamaica). The conference series and subsequent publications are designed to stimulate and highlight research on each country. Each conference provides an opportunity to share existing research and disseminate information about the host country.

This year marks the third UWI Country Conference to be held in Saint Lucia and this time, we are partnering with two other tertiary education providers: the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College (SALCC) and Monroe College, in a cooperative thrust to encourage research on Saint Lucia and provide exposure for such research. This conference is expected to create an environment for sharing and learning - a necessary step towards establishing the links which facilitate the management of indigenous knowledge for our own use-and to provide an avenue by which we can make a substantial contribution to global discourse. The theme “Collegial Information Sharing for Sustainable Development” emphasizes the importance of a collective approach to facilitating and empowering research as a critical tool in establishing vehicles for sustainable development. We are particularly honored to have as keynote speaker, Dr. Damian Greaves, who comes to us with a wealth of experience in public service, government, research and education; all areas which are tightly woven into the context of sustainable development.

On behalf of The UWI Open Campus, I welcome all participants to this conference, and to those who are visiting from overseas, I urge you to make yourselves at home on our beautiful island. Thank you for your active participation. We are also very grateful to our conference partners and sponsors, for helping to make this third Saint Lucia Conference a reality. I wish everyone a productive and enjoyable conference.

Dr. Veronica Simon
Head, The UWI Open Campus Saint Lucia
Inter-Collegial Sharing for Sustainable Development

For this year’s UWI Open Campus Country Conference, three esteemed institutions are collaborating: The UWI Open Campus Saint Lucia, Sir Arthur Lewis Community College and Monroe College. This conference is indeed symbolic as it helps make manifest the belief that much can be accomplished if we approach ventures collectively rather than competitively. The UWI Open Campus, Sir Arthur Lewis Community College and Monroe College are providers of tertiary education on island, and this country festival is really a manifestation of inter-collegial sharing.

Sir Arthur Lewis Community College is pleased to be a part of this important educational activity, as it joins forces to educate the Saint Lucian public on the wealth of research, related to Saint Lucia that has been explored. The country conference provides the avenue for researchers to share their findings with the Saint Lucian public, and for interesting dialogue and discussion to ensue.

Research is a critical component of the life of academia, and Sir Arthur Lewis Community College wishes to applaud the efforts of The UWI Open Campus, having solely organised previous Conferences. This conference makes it possible for the works of researchers to be examined and analysed, and not just left on the shelves of libraries or the offices of well-intentioned supervisors.

Let me express appreciation for the work of the organisers and planners and state that I hope this conference will indeed prove to be an interesting festival for the presentation, analysis and further exploration of given topics. I do hope that the presentations provide stimulus material for persons currently exploring areas for their own research and serve as springboards for the researchers to get their works published so they can be shared with the international community. May the Country Conference of 2016 prove without a doubt that our fair Helen has as much stimulus worthy of investigation/exploration as any other developed country.
Welcome Message
Monroe College

Dr. Alex Ephrem
Senior Vice President, Monroe College

Let me join our colleagues at The University of the West Indies (UWI) and Sir Arthur Lewis Community College in welcoming you to this year’s UWI Open Campus Saint Lucia Country Conference. Research has always been the cornerstone for academics/colleges and the communities they serve and this year’s theme “Collegial Information Sharing for Sustainable Development” highlights how important our educational institutions are in helping to secure a future for our students.

Since Monroe College established its Caribbean campus in Saint Lucia in 2007, it has sought to build strong links with local educational institutions at all levels. In addition, Monroe has been resilient in ensuring that the education provided at the Saint Lucia campus is relevant and addresses the needs of the labour force of Saint Lucia and the rest of the region. At Monroe College, we value research and continue to look for ways to encourage our students to undertake projects that enhance their classroom experience. The world of research is an exciting area which helps to ensure that not only our tertiary institutions, but our Caribbean countries - can transform the way they operate. It is imperative to discuss and use the evidence to develop policies and programmes that will encourage and stimulate growth in the country in a sustainable manner.

To the presenters, thank you for bringing your expertise, vision and knowledge to this conference; this will contribute to making this a stimulating experience for all.

Again, a warm welcome to all our delegates. Enjoy not only the conference experience by building academic linkages for future collaborations and camaraderie among delegates, but taste some of the truly wonderful hospitality that “simply beautiful” Saint. Lucia is known for all over the world.
**Conce** **fence Key Note Speaker**

**Biography**

**Damian Eisenhower Greaves (PhD)** is the Keynote Speaker for the 3rd Saint Lucia Country Conference 2016. He brings to the conference a wealth of experience and academic qualifications in the areas of Health Management and Policy, Public Health, Sociology and Education.

Currently an Associate Professor and Deputy Chair in the Department of Humanities & Social Sciences School of Arts & Sciences, St. George’s University, Dr Greaves also serves as Assistant Dean: Office of the Provost, St. George’s University with responsibility for Faculty Affairs and Educational Technology. Prior to this, Dr Greaves lectured at the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College (1987-1994) and also at The UWI School of Continuing Education from 1995-1997, on a part-time basis.


A prolific writer, Dr Greaves publications include: Comparative Health Systems: Global Perspectives, A Recipe for Change, Constitutional Reform in Saint Lucia, and Management/Leadership of Health Systems in Small Island Developing States of the English-Speaking Caribbean: A Critical Review. He is currently in the process of penning his latest work “Evidence-Based Decision Making: Barriers and Opportunities across Health Systems of the English –Speaking Caribbean.”
## Conference Schedule (Day 1)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Event</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Chair</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>8:00-8:45</td>
<td><strong>Registration</strong></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9:00 - 10:00</td>
<td><strong>Moderator: Mr Jerry George</strong>&lt;br&gt;Plenary Session&lt;br&gt;1952/1957 and 1992/1997: Peasant Revolts and Political Change In St. Lucia <em>(Pol)</em>&lt;br&gt;Joseph, Dr. Tennyson S D.</td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Mr Jerry George</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:00-10:20</td>
<td><strong>Break</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:20-11:00</td>
<td>Session 2&lt;br&gt;Chair: Mr John Robert Lee&lt;br&gt;The Unholy Trinity. Culture, Spirituality and Psychotherapy <em>(A&amp;C)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>Saltzman Gilliard, Ms. Nicole S.</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>John Robert Lee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:20-11:00</td>
<td>Session 2&lt;br&gt;Chair: Dr Kathy Depradine&lt;br&gt;Educational Innovation for Sustainable Development <em>(Ed)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>Best, Dr. Simon.</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Kathy Depradine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:00-11:40</td>
<td>Hubris as Force: The Politics of Pwen or the Pwen of Politics <em>(A&amp;C)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>Lucien, Mr. Vladimir</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Mr John Robert Lee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:00-11:40</td>
<td>Session 2&lt;br&gt;Chair: Dr Kathy Depradine&lt;br&gt;Developing Levelling, Collaborative Systems to Eliminate Curriculum Implementation Lassitude in Saint Lucian Context <em>(Ed)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>Simon, Dr. Veronica.</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Kathy Depradine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:40-12:20</td>
<td>An Investigation into Key Stakeholders’ Perception of the Prevalence of Human Trafficking *(HT)/Trafficking in Persons in St. Lucia and the Measures the Agencies are Implementing to Counteract this Problem <em>(So Sci)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>Terrance, Mr. Leonard</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Leonard Terrence</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:40-12:20</td>
<td>Session 2&lt;br&gt;Chair: Mr Leonard Terrence&lt;br&gt;An Investigation into the Factors for the Selection and Non-Selection Of Biology at a Particular Secondary School in St. Lucia <em>(Ed)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>In Baptiste, Mr. Leonard D L K; Griffith –In Baptiste, Ms. Leandra</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Mr Leonard Terrence</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:20-1:20</td>
<td><strong>Lunch Break</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:20-2:00</td>
<td>Session 3&lt;br&gt;Chair: Dr Simon Best&lt;br&gt;Dengue, Fever: Knowledge, Attitude, Practices in Saint Lucia <em>(A&amp;C)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>Alexander, Dr. Sonia</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Simon Best</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:20-2:00</td>
<td>Session 3&lt;br&gt;Chair: Dr Simon Best&lt;br&gt;An Assessment of the Public Mental Health Delivery System in Saint Lucia <em>(Hea)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>Edmund, Dr. Xysta</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Simon Best</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:00-2:40</td>
<td>Session 3&lt;br&gt;Chair: Mr Leonard Terrence&lt;br&gt;A Waste Full Mind, A Frugal Strategy: Increasing Agricultural Entrepreneurship and Productivity in CARICOM Countries <em>(Agri)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>St. Martin, Chaney C G</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Mr Leonard Terrence</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:00-2:40</td>
<td>Session 3&lt;br&gt;Chair: Mr Leonard Terrence&lt;br&gt;An Assessment of Behavioral Risk Factors in Saint Lucia <em>(So Sci)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>Leon, Mr. Phil; Chery, G; Atkins, L</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Mr Leonard Terrence</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:40-3:20</td>
<td>Session 3&lt;br&gt;Chair: Mr Leonard Terrence&lt;br&gt;Wasted Lives; Determining the Feasibility of Establishing a Test Case Resource Recovery Programme <em>(RRP)</em> in The Urban Poor Community of Faux-A-Chaud, Saint Lucia <em>(So Sci)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>John, Ms. Laurah</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Mr Leonard Terrence</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:40-3:20</td>
<td>Session 3&lt;br&gt;Chair: Mr Leonard Terrence&lt;br&gt;The Cyclically Adjusted Balance for Saint Lucia <em>(So Sci)</em>&lt;br&gt;<em>Mathurin-Andrew, Ms. Thervina; Kaidou-Jeffrey, Ms. Donna; Descartes, Mr. Tommy.</em></td>
<td>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</td>
<td>Mr Leonard Terrence</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Begonia Room (Room 2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Time</td>
<td>Session 4 Chair: Mr Clarence Henry</td>
<td>Session 4 Chair: Mr Sylvester Clauzel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>------</td>
<td>----------------------------------</td>
<td>---------------------------------------</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3:20-4:00</td>
<td>An Investigation of the Extent to which Cruise Tourism and its Activities has Threatened the Physical-Ecological Tourism Carrying Capacity Level in the Marine Environment (So Sci) <em>Ellis, Ms. Myrna C A</em></td>
<td>Determinants of Saint Lucian Unemployment (So Sci) <em>Leonce, Mr. Janai</em></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4:00-4:40</td>
<td>An Investigation of the Determinants of Tourism Demand to Saint Lucia (So Sci) <em>Hutchinson, Mr. Marvin Lionel</em></td>
<td>Are We Ready for E-learning? Factors Affecting E-Learning Adoption: Considerations for Developing Countries (Ed) <em>James-Springer, Dr. Cathy</em></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4:40</td>
<td>Dine Outs</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
# Conference Schedule (Day 2)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Bougainvillea Room (Room 1)</th>
<th>Begonia Room (Room 2)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| 9:00 –10:00   | **Moderator:** Dr. Cathy James-Springer  
**Full Panel Session**  
Beyond Talk: Crossing Language Boundaries (A&C)  
*Joseph, Dr. Kyneata; Esnard, Dr. Talia; Descartes, Dr. Christine; Evans, Dr. Sandra* |                                                                                        |
| 10:00-10:20   | **Break**                                                                                   |                                                                                        |
| 10:20-11:00   | **Session 2**  
Chair: Dr. Sonia Alexander  
Evidence–Based Management of Caribbean Health Systems: Barriers and Opportunities (Hea)  
*Greaves, Dr. Damian* | **Session 2**  
Chair: Dr. Anthony Felicien  
Vernacular Instruction and the Development of Literacy: An Alternative for Language Instruction in St. Lucia  
*Depradine, Dr. Kathy* |
| 11:00-11:40   | **Session 2**  
Chair: Dr. Anthony Felicien  
Sex Tourism and HIV/AIDS in St. Lucia: A Health Policy Perspective (Hea)  
*Theodore, Prof. Karl; Ali-Sibane, Ms. Haleema; Baptiste, C; La Foucade, A; McLean, R* | **Session 2**  
Chair: Dr. Anthony Felicien  
Creole Influence in the Writing of St. Lucian Students at the Common Entrance Exams(A&C)  
*Francis, Mr. Ronald* |
| 11:40-12:20   | **Session 2**  
Chair: Dr. Anthony Felicien  
Imposex in Marine Gastropod Molluscs in Saint Lucia. (Eco)  
*Daniel-Thomas, Ms, Bethia* | **Session 2**  
Chair: Dr. Anthony Felicien  
Supporting Children’s Transitions from Pre-Primary to Primary School: A Collaborative Approach (Ed)  
*Kinkead-Clark, Dr. Zoyah* |
| 12:20-1:20    | **Lunch Break**                                                                            |                                                                                        |
| 1:20-2:00     | **Session 3**  
Chair: Ms Sonia Severin  
Explaining the Housing Deficit in Saint Lucia (Soc)  
*Pierre-Louis, Ms. Rosemary.* | **Session 3**  
Chair: Dr Rosemarie Mathurin  
Intra-Sentential Code-Switching of English-French Creole Bilingual St. Lucians: Grammatical Licensing, Motivation and Perception(Ed)  
*Charles-Charlemagne, Mrs. Joel* |
| 2:00-2:40     | **Session 3**  
Chair: Ms Sonia Severin  
Exploring the Plight of Households Headed by Elderly Females: The Case of Relative Poverty In St. Lucia (So Sci)  
*Boochoon, Ms. Leandra And St. Bernard, Dr. Godfrey.* | **Session 3**  
Chair: Dr Rosemarie Mathurin  
The Contextual Needs Implementation Model (CNIM) for Improving Implementation of Science And Technology Curricula in St. Lucian Primary Schools (Ed)  
*Clifford, Dr. Catherine A* |
| 2:40-3:20     | **Session 3**  
Chair: Ms Sonia Severin  
Considering An Information Governance Programme?- Basic Considerations for Higher Education Institutions.(Ed)  
*Bryan, Mr. Emerson O S G* | **Session 3**  
Chair: Dr Rosemarie Mathurin  
A Critical Inquiry into the Status of Social Justice in Teacher Education in Saint Lucia  
*Edward, Dr. Marietta* |
| 3:20-4:00     | **Session 3**  
Chair: Ms Sonia Severin  
**Dine Outs** | **Session 3**  
Chair: Dr Rosemarie Mathurin  
Public Expenditure on Education: Is There a Correlation with Economic Growth? A Case Study of St. Lucia (Ed)  
*Henry, Mr. Clarence* |
| 4:00-4:40     | **Session 3**  
Chair: Ms Sonia Severin  
**Dine Outs** | **Session 3**  
Chair: Dr Rosemarie Mathurin  
Public Expenditure on Education: Is There a Correlation with Economic Growth? A Case Study of St. Lucia (Ed)  
*Henry, Mr. Clarence* |
Dr Tennyson S. D. Joseph attained his PhD from the University of Cambridge, and his MPhil and BA degrees from The University of the West Indies, Cave Hill. His MPhil was written on the political thought of CLR James and his PhD on the politics of decolonization under globalization in St. Lucia. Dr. Joseph’s teaching and research interests revolve around Caribbean Political Thought, Globalization and Anti-colonialism, Sovereignty and Decolonization and the post-1945 Political History of Saint Lucia. His publications include *At the Rainbow’s Edge: Collected Speeches of Kenny D. Anthony* (co-edited with Didacus Jules), *General Elections and Voting in the English-Speaking Caribbean 1992-2005* (co-authored with Cynthia Barrow-Giles), and *Decolonization in St. Lucia: Politics and Global Neo-Liberalism 1945-2010*, along with other journal articles and book chapters. He is also a weekly contributor in the Daily Nation Newspaper (Barbados), under the column captioned, “All Ah We Is One”.

Tennyson Joseph served briefly as the Administrative Attaché to the Prime Minister of St. Lucia (Kenny Anthony) between 2000 and 2003, and was an Opposition Senator in the Parliament of Saint Lucia for a brief period in 2007. He is currently Senior Lecturer in Political Science, and Head of the Department of Government, Sociology, Social Work and Psychology at the Cave Hill campus of The UWI.

Dr. Sonia Alexander is a proud alumni of The University of the West Indies. She holds a Ph.D. in Public Health and is a Master Certified Health Education Specialist (MCHES). As a Public Health expert, she has worked with the Ministries of Health in Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago and Saint Lucia. Dr. Alexander started her service in public health as a qualified School Dental Nurse. She later lectured at the Dental Nursing Schools in Jamaica and in Trinidad and Tobago and was a Research Fellow of The UWI, Mona Campus. Dr. Alexander retired from public service as the Director of the National AIDS Program of Saint Lucia and is now serving as Director of Academic Services, Monroe College. Dr. Alexander is also a Professor of Public Health with the college and has published papers in public health journals. She also practices as a Public Health Consultant and has worked on several local, regional and international projects.
FULL PANEL DISCUSSION

**Dr. Christine Descartes** is a lecturer in Psychology at The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus, Trinidad. Her research interests focus on psychosocial development among children and adolescents. Specifically, she is currently involved in regional research that centers on child and adolescent trauma and behavioural problems among youth.

**Dr. Sandra Evans** is Lecturer in Linguistics and Coordinator of the English Language and Literature with Education (ELLE) Programme at The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago. She specializes in forensic linguistics but is also interested in language policy and language rights in the Creole-speaking Caribbean.

**Dr. Talia Esnard** is an Assistant Professor in the Social Studies program at the Center for Education, University of Trinidad and Tobago, Valsayn Campus, Trinidad and Tobago. She has also been a recipient of the Taiwan Research Fellowship and most recently the CARICOM-Canada Leadership Scholarship. Her research interests include female entrepreneurship in the Caribbean, and women in academic and educational leadership.

**Dr. Terencia K Joseph** is Coordinator for the Department of History and Social Studies at the University of the Southern Caribbean, Trinidad. Her primary research emphasis is migration and labour history but recently, she has extended her interest to include the ecological and environmental histories of Saint Lucia.
**Presenter Bio Summaries**

**Mrs Bethia Daniel-Thomas** serves as the Science and Technology Officer within the Energy, Science and Technology Section of the Ministry of Sustainable Development, Energy, Science and Technology. She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree (Hons.) in Biology from Andrews University and a Master of Science Degree in the Science and Management of Tropical Biodiversity (Distinction) from The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Trinidad. Mrs. Thomas has also served as a Lecturer at The University of the Southern Caribbean, a CSEC Mathematics Examiner and a Secondary School Teacher. She enjoys travelling, public speaking, poetry and research.

**Dr. Catherine Clifford** is a lecturer at the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College, Division of Teacher Education and Educational Administration. She has a wealth of experience (thirty years) in the field of education, spanning primary, secondary and tertiary levels. Her areas of expertise and interest are Curriculum Studies, Education, Educational Research, and Science.

**Dr Cathy James-Springer** recently completed studies for a PhD in Instructional Design and Technology at Virginia Tech. Prior to this, she worked as a Chemistry Lecturer at the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College, where she currently works within the Office of Institutional Effectiveness. She has experience in science teaching, online instruction, faculty training, and in designing online, blended and flipped classrooms. With the emergence of new technological tools, she continues to be interested in how e-learning can enhance teaching and learning.

**Mr Davis Leonard Kevin Jn. Baptiste** is a Ph.M. student at the University of Newcastle in Australia. He is a St Lucian who moved to Australia and is passionate about Science Education. He has a Masters in Project Management, Bachelors in Education (Hons) and is qualified in Occupational Health and Safety and Pharmacology.
Mr. Clarence Henry is a St. Lucian economist and researcher. Mr. Henry is a holder of a Diploma in Teaching, a Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) Degree in Economics and Government and a Masters of Science (M.Sc.) Degree in Economic Development Policy from The University of the West Indies (UWI). A teacher by profession, Mr. Henry has taught at both the secondary and tertiary levels and is currently a Lecturer of Economics at the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College (SALCC).

In addition to his teaching at the SALCC, since 2008 Mr. Henry has been an E-Tutor for Caribbean Business Environment with The UWI Open Campus. Since 2009 Mr. Henry has also taught economic courses from the Economics Department of the UWI St. Augustine Campus to students registered in The UWI-SALCC Franchise programme. Mr. Henry’s research interest is in the area of regional integration and he has published a paper on this area in the UWI Journal, “The Caribbean Dialogue”. Mr. Henry is currently a PhD candidate at the Cave Hill Campus of The UWI.

Mr Emerson O. Bryan is Owner/Principal Consultant and Information Management Specialist of Bryan Consultancies Inc. based in Barbados. Emerson has a Master of Science degree in Information Management from the Robert Gordon University, United Kingdom, and has been a professional in the field of archives, records and information management with over 19 years of experience. He has also been for several years, a part-time Associate Consultant/Trainer with Lorsons Resources Limited, where he is the facilitator for several seminars including: Files & Correspondence Management, Introduction to Records Management: Getting Organized, and Records Management for Human Resource Management (RM4HRM).

Dr Godfrey St. Bernard is a Senior Fellow in the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago. He obtained his Ph. D in Social Demography from the University of Western Ontario in 1993. He has studied population dynamics across the Caribbean over the past thirty years, this being evident in his teaching, research undertakings and participation in a range of consultancy activities focusing on population dynamics within the Caribbean Sub-Region. His publications include one book and several refereed journal articles and chapters in books. He is the Co-ordinator of the M.Sc. in Development Statistics in the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies (SALISES), The UWI, St. Augustine.
Mrs Haleema Ali-Sisbane is a Researcher with the HEU, Centre for Health Economics, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine (UWI). Mrs. Ali-Sisbane has both a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Science Degree in Economics from The UWI. She has conducted research throughout the Caribbean for the past ten (10) years in a range of areas namely HIV/AIDS, Climate Change and Health, Sustainable Tourism Development, Children and Women, Costing of Health Services and Mental Health.

Mrs. Ali-Sisbane has also been involved in the design of survey instruments which aimed at capturing key health information at the individual and household levels. She is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Laws Degree with the University of London where her focus is to bridge the gap between policy and legislation in the region.

Mr Janai Leonce is the Deputy Chief Economist at the Research and Policy Unit at the Ministry of Finance and holds a BSc in Economics and a MSc in Finance and Investment. He has worked at the ECCB as an Economist and has lectured at the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College. In addition Mr Leonce enjoys hiking and learning photography.

Mrs Joel Charles-Charlemagne hails from Grace, Vieux Fort. She graduated from the University of Oxford in November 2015 with an MSC in Applied Linguistics & Second Language Acquisition. The hallmark of this achievement was topping the linguistics programme and attaining the prestigious award of Best Research 2015 in Linguistics at the Department of Education. She has been a teacher for 16 years, having worked in Saint Lucia, Turks & Caicos and England at the primary, secondary and tertiary levels. Currently, she is Vice Principal at the Soufriere Comprehensive Secondary School and an English online tutor with the EF International Language Centre.
**Presenter Bio Summaries**

**Dr Kathy Depradine** (PhD, Linguistics) has been a teacher for the past nineteen years. Nine of those years have been at the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College as a Lecturer of Communication Studies and Linguistics. Dr. Depradine is currently the Head of Department of the Communication Studies Department. Her research interest is Language instruction in Creole/Vernacular contexts.

**Professor Karl Theodore** is the Director of the HEU, Centre for Health Economics at The University of the West Indies. As a professor of economics at the Department of Economics on the St. Augustine Campus, he taught undergraduate courses in Public Sector Economics and Health Economics among other courses. At the graduate level he taught Microeconomic Theory and Advanced Health Economics. He has supervised research in these areas for many years.

His work on health throughout countries of the Caribbean continues to focus on upgrading the quality of health policy in these counties. He has led a multidisciplinary team of professionals in producing a number of technical reports for governments and international agencies and has also produced significant pieces of work on health policy as well as on the operations of the Social Security system in different countries of the Caribbean region.

**Ms Laurah John** is a purpose driven, creative rebel and sustainability change agent...or at the very least, tries to embody those traits through her work as the founder and CEO of a profit-for-purpose social enterprise, *juu kali Ltd*. Pronounced ju-wa kah-lee, this company seeks to re-think how we use and consume products, and re-define what is possible through re-use and recycling. LJ is also the co-founder and Managing Director of an e-commerce business, *GoodStuff*, focused on selling locally-made, authentic Saint Lucian products to the regional and international markets. Ms John is also a Social Development Practitioner / Consultant for the World Bank and Caribbean Local Economic Development project (CARILED). LJ was formerly employed with the Ministry of Social Transformation, Local Government and Community Empowerment as the Project Officer of Local Government Projects (2012-2013) and Project Coordinator for Social Safety Net Reform (2013-2015). She holds a Master’s in Urban Studies (social planning) from the Simon Fraser University in British Columbia, Canada.
Dr Marietta Edward is a former Deputy Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Education and Human Resource Development in St Lucia. Prior to this, she was the Deputy Chief Education Officer responsible for instruction. Her 36 years in education include secondary school teaching, serving as the curriculum specialist for language arts and serving as reading specialist for the Caribbean Centre of Excellence in Teacher Training Project. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, Linguistics and Education from UWI; a Master of Arts in Education (Curriculum Studies) from the University of Toronto, OISE and a Doctor of Education degree from the University of Sheffield. She currently serves as secretary to a CXC Committee set up to review the English A syllabus. Her main interests are in the teaching of literacy, vernacular education and teacher professional development.

Mr Marvin Hutchinson is an Economist at the Research and Policy unit of the Ministry of Finance with the responsibility to conduct research and data analysis on Tourism, Energy, Trade and Balance of Payments. A graduate of the University of the West Indies with a Masters in Financial and Business Economics.

As a Research Assistant at UWI, Ms Myrna Ellis is trained in mixed methods and earned a Distinction using this method in conducting research for her thesis, which examined carrying capacity in St. Lucia’s marine environment. She has co-authored two publications (2014, 2016) and presented at one conference (2016). In her spare time Ms. Ellis cycles, runs and engages her grandchildren.
**Ms Nicole Saltzman Gilliard** is currently in practice as an outpatient Psychotherapist where she works with children, adults and families. She specializes in presenting a holistic psychodynamic approach to working with anxiety, depression, trauma, ADD/ADHD, issues surrounding grief and loss, as well as severe and persistent mental illnesses. Her psychodynamic philosophy focuses on interpersonal dynamics, attachment theories and neuropsychoanalysis.

**Mr Phil Leon** is employed as a Biostatistician within the Ministry of Health, Wellness, Human Services and Gender Relations, Saint Lucia.

**Mr Ronald Francis** hails from Dennery, Saint Lucia. A graduate of The UWI, He holds a BA in Spanish and Linguistics (First Class Honors). He is currently pursuing an MPhil in Linguistics at The UWI, St Augustine campus, where he also works as a Research Assistant at the Office of the Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Education.

**Mrs Rosemary Pierre Louis** is an Economist at the Research and Policy Unit of the Ministry of Finance with a MSc. in Finance with a major in Economic Policy from the University of London and a BSc. in Economics and Management Studies from The University of West Indies.
**Presenter Bio Summaries**

**Dr. Simon Best**, a Saint Lucian, is a US-based part-time online lecturer of Business in the CUNY system. He is also a former part-time instructor of Saint Francis College, Brooklyn, New York; and a former Research Assistant and Research Fellow of SALISES (formerly ISER). A researcher with experience working with CARICAD, and an OLC-certified online teaching instructor, his research interests cover small business development, online learning, and internet marketing.

---

**Dr. Veronica Simon** has been an educator for 36 years. She is the Head of The UWI Open Campus site in Saint Lucia and is responsible for all of the Open Campus' activities in that island, including public service, outreach, research and continuing education programming. A curriculum specialist, Dr. Simon has designed learning materials for all age groups from primary to tertiary level. She has co-authored textbooks on Communication Studies and Language Arts and co-edited two anthologies of Caribbean writing for children.

---

**Mr Vladimir Lucien** is a writer, actor and critic from Saint. Lucia. His writing has been widely acclaimed. He has been awarded the first prize in the poetry category of the Small Axe prize 2013 and is the winner of the 2015 OCM Bocas Prize for his debut collection *Sounding Ground*, published by Peepal Tree Press in May, 2014. Some of Lucien’s poems have been translated into Dutch published in the literary journal, *Tortuca* with forthcoming translations in Italian in *El Ghibli* as well as in Mandarin. He is also the co-editor of the anthology, *Sent Lisi: Poems and Art of St. Lucia* which was published in November 2014 and the screenwriter of the documentary *The Merikins* which premiered at the Trinidad and Tobago Film Festival in 2013. From January to May 2016, Lucien served as writer-in-residence at The University of the West Indies (Mona Campus).

---

**Mrs Thervina Mathurin-Andrew** is a Fiscal Economist at the Research and Policy Unit of the Ministry of Finance. Mrs. Andrew holds a MSc. in Finance with a major in Economic Policy from the University of London and a BSc. in Economics and Management Studies from The University of West Indies.
Dr. Xysta Edmund is an action oriented and self-motivated professional with over 10 years experience in the field of health and social development including health system development and health service organization, health sector strategic and operational planning, policy development, programme and project development, implementation and monitoring and evaluation. Dr. Edmund holds a Certificate in Teacher Education and Educational Administration, a BSc. in Sociology, MSc. in Health Planning and Development and a Doctorate in Public Health. She has worked as an Assistant Lecturer in Sociology at the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College, Chief Health Planner and Ag. Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Health, Project Manager at Universal Health Coverage Project and as a National Professional, PAHO Office, Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean.

Dr. Zoyah Kinkead-Clark, is an early childhood specialist, at The University of the West Indies, Mona. She is keenly interested in how children are shaped by their experiences in the home and how educators build on these in the classroom. A kindergarten teacher for several years, her current research focus is aimed at exploring how early childhood children, particularly those from low resources regions, can be provided with greater opportunities to successfully meander the crucial first five years of life, especially in light of the significant challenges many of them may face.
Mr. Leonard Terrance currently serves as the Deputy Director of Corrections at the Bordelais Correctional Facility. He is the former Director of the Boys Training Centre, a position he held for six years.

Mr. Terrance has worked in the private sector as the Director of Security and Duty Manager at the Almond Resorts in St. Lucia and in the teaching service as a primary school teacher for sixteen years. He also serves as part-time Lecturer in the Continuation Education Department of Continuing Education of the Sir Arthur Lewis Community College.

Mr. Terrance possesses a Master’s Degree in Criminal Justice with a specialization in Child Protection and Juvenile Justice from NOVA South-Eastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He also holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice and an Associate in Applied Science Degree from Cameron University in Lawton Oklahoma.

A certified teacher, Mr. Terrance has received training in a number of areas including: Forensic Cognitive Graphic Interviewing of Maltreated Children (Oklahoma), Human Trafficking (Jamaica), and Capacity Building in Corrections and Probations Services (South Korea). He is currently completing a Certificate in Youth in Custody with Georgetown University.
The UWI Open Campus Saint Lucia, Sir Arthur Lewis Community College and Monroe College wish to acknowledge the generosity of the sponsors listed below. Your support has been integral to the success of this conference.