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KNOWLEDGE FAIR

# Knowledge into Action against Gender-Based Violence

“Empowering Voices, Ending Gender-Based Violence”

## LOGISTICS AND AGENDA



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## Agenda

### **The Knowledge Fair: Empowering Voices, Ending Gender-Based Violence**

**Bridgetown, Barbados. November 5-8, 2023**

**Hilton Resort Barbados**

#### **Introduction**

The Knowledge Fair "Empowering Voices, Ending Gender-Based Violence", led by UNDP in the framework of the Spotlight Initiative Caribbean Regional Programme, is an innovative gathering that aims to tackle Gender-Based Violence (GBV) in the Caribbean. Set in Bridgetown, Barbados, from November 6th to 8th, 2023, this knowledge fair brings together a diverse community of stakeholders committed to addressing GBV and Family Violence (FV). The fair, organized under the auspices of the Spotlight Initiative Caribbean Regional Programme, seeks to foster cooperation, partnerships, and knowledge exchange among governments, civil society, academia, and grassroots communities. Through dynamic discussions, artistic expressions, and interactive sessions, the knowledge fair provides a platform for showcasing successful initiatives, celebrating actors, and promoting cultural and behavioral change. The fair will pave the way for transformative and sustainable progress towards a Caribbean free from GBV and FV.

The knowledge fair seeks to celebrate the efforts of diverse actors who have contributed to addressing GBV and FV in the Caribbean. The fair's themes and criteria, collaboratively developed with Recipient UN Organizations (RUNOs) prioritize innovation, coordination, intersectionality, cultural relevance, sustainability, and replicability. A "Coalition of the Willing," comprising UN Regional Agencies, UN Country Offices, the Spotlight Regional Programme, the Civil Society Regional Reference Group and regional allies -RUNOs, Civil Society Reference Groups, Regional institutions and CSOs working on GBV, Implementing Partners, Academia working on Gender Studies, among others-, will curate the program, ensuring a diverse and impactful selection of proposals. The knowledge fair will provide a transformative space for sharing knowledge, fostering networks, and amplifying collective efforts to addressing GBV and FV and empower Caribbean voices for lasting change.

#### **Specific Objectives**

**NAME:** The Fair seeks to recognize the actors who have contributed to addressing GBV and FV, particularly those who have been part of the Spotlight Programme and other impactful initiatives.

Through inspirational presentations, success stories, and interactive sessions, the fair will highlight the efforts and dedication of individuals and organizations, inspiring others to join the cause.

**CONNECT:** The Fair aims to promote the creation and consolidation of networks and communities of practice dedicated to addressing GBV and FV. These networks will act as a catalyst for continued progress and strengthen the collective impact of efforts in addressing GBV and FV.

**NOURISH:** The Fair focuses on disseminating knowledge, cultural products, services, and practices that address GBV and FV. The knowledge fair will feature a range of workshops, seminars, and exhibitions that showcase innovative approaches, evidence-based interventions, and artistic expressions aimed at promoting gender equality and GBV prevention. Through the dissemination of valuable resources, the fair aims to nourish the collective knowledge base and inspire new initiatives.

**AMPLIFY:** The Fair focuses on promoting knowledge exchange and partnerships to adapt, replicate, or scale up impactful work. By actively promoting cross-learning, the fair seeks to amplify the impact of effective interventions, enabling participants to adapt successful approaches to their specific contexts.

### **Thematic Areas**

The themes for the Knowledge Fair have been curated by an Advisory Group, ensuring that the fair's content reflects the most pressing issues and cutting-edge developments in addressing GBV and FV. The selected themes will guide the focus of the fair and align with the four key pillars<sup>1</sup> of the Spotlight Regional Programme, emphasizing its commitment to addressing GBV root causes.

First Day Sunday, November 5, 2023	
Time	Session
5:30- 6:00	<b>Arrival of participants</b>
<b>Welcome Reception of the Knowledge Fair “Empowering Voices, Ending Gender-Based Violence”</b>	
6:00 - 7:00 pm	<p><b>Purpose:</b> Set a welcoming tone and highlight the significance of the event in addressing gender-based violence and promoting knowledge exchange. The reception marks the beginning of the Knowledge Fair. This session brings together all participants.</p> <p><b>Welcome remarks</b> Allyson Leacock, Master of Ceremonies.</p>
7:00 - 8:00 pm	<b>Cultural event and cocktail</b>

Second Day Monday, November 6, 2023	
Time	Session
<b>Session 1: Official opening and presentation of the Agenda of the Knowledge Fair</b>	
8.30 a 9.15 <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1&2	<p><b>Opening Knowledge Fair</b></p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Representatives of the Spotlight Initiative Regional Programme and institutions in the Caribbean will deliver a brief speech highlighting the expected results and expectations for the success of the Knowledge Fair.</p> <p><b>Official opening:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Didier Trebucq</b>, UN Resident Coordinator, Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean.</li> <li>- <b>Dr. Alexis Armstrong</b>, DBA – Deputy Secretary-General, CARICOM Secretariat.</li> <li>- <b>Dr Florian Lueticken</b>, Team Leader for the Partnership for Governance, Security and Human Development at the EU Delegation to Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean States.</li> <li>- <b>William Warner</b>, Director, Bureau Gender Affairs, Barbados (TBC).</li> </ul> <p><b>UN Agencies remarks:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>José Cruz-Osorio</b>, Manager of the Regional Hub for Latin America and the Caribbean, UNDP.</li> <li>- <b>Tonni Ann Brodber</b>, Representative, Multi-Country Office in the Caribbean, UN Women.</li> <li>- <b>Pieter Bult</b>, Representative, Office for the Eastern Caribbean Area, UNICEF.</li> <li>- <b>De-Jane Gibbons</b>, Liaison Officer, Barbados &amp; OECS, UNFPA.</li> </ul>

	<b>Moderation:</b> Allyson Leacock, Master of Ceremonies.
9.15 a 9.30 <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1&2	<p><b>Spaces and Times of the Knowledge Fair</b></p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> This session sets the stage for meaningful engagement and knowledge exchange throughout the event. The session will present the diverse spaces and times allocated for interactive discussions, workshops, exhibitions, and networking opportunities so that participants can make the most of their experience and actively contribute to the KF success.</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> Sebastian Essayag, Gender Policy Specialist, UNDP</p>
<b>Session 2: NAME The Moment Plenary</b>	
9:30 - 10:15 <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1&2	<p><b>Keynote Speakers – "Shaping the New Paradigm"</b></p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> The plenary session aims to introduce participants to the evolving paradigm in addressing gender-based violence (GBV) to inspire perspectives and critical thinking among attendees. The keynote speaker will take the stage to delve into the emerging approaches to GBV prevention and response.</p> <p><b>Keynote speaker:</b> Ashley Lashley, Executive Director of Ashley Lashley Foundation</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> Allyson Leacock, Master of Ceremonies.</p>
<b>Session 3: NAME. Spotlight Programme Dialogue: Charting Progress</b>	
10:15 - 11:15 <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1&2	<p><b>Purpose:</b> Provide a comprehensive overview of the Spotlight Initiative Regional Programme accomplishments, challenges, and future directions in the Caribbean. They will reflect on the achievements, lessons learned, and the ongoing journey to address GBV in the Caribbean region.</p> <p><b>Panel Davos:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Terrydale Ince</b>, Organizational Development Consultant &amp; Change. Project Management Practitioner. CEDAW, Gender and Human Rights Advocate. CEDAW Committee of Trinidad and Tobago (CCoTT), Member of the Civil Society Regional Reference Group of the Spotlight Caribbean Regional Programme.</li> <li>- <b>Professor Diana Fox</b>, Director, Institute for Gender and Development Studies, Regional Coordinating Office. Univeristy of West Indies (UWI).</li> <li>- <b>Luz Patricia Mejía Guerrero</b>, Technical Secretary of the MESECVI, OAS.</li> <li>- <b>Melanie Barnes</b>, Spotlight Initiative Programme Officer, UNICEF, Belize.</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderation:</b> Heran Ayele, Capacity Development and Knowledge Management Specialist, Spotlight Secretariat.</p>
11:15 -11:30	Coffee Break

<p>11:15-12:15  <u>Meeting room:</u>  The Grille</p>	<p><b>Spotlight Initiative Regional Steering Committee Meeting (closed)</b></p>
<p><b>Session 4: NAME The issues.</b> State of the Art by Thematic Areas.</p>	
<p>11:30 – 13:00</p>	<p><b>Breakout rooms</b></p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Provide participants with a comprehensive overview of the status of gender-based violence (GBV) prevention and response within the Caribbean context. It aims to highlight key developments, successful initiatives, and emerging trends in four thematic areas: data and innovation, prevention, state response and sanction, and cultural change.</p> <p>During this session, experts from various UN agencies will lead discussions on the latest advancements and challenges within each thematic area. Participants will have the opportunity to delve into the specifics of GBV-related work</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> Master of Ceremonies</p> <p><b>Technical Coordinator:</b> Octavio Aguirre, consultant, UNDP</p>

<p><b>Working Group 1:</b> Data and Innovation GBV</p> <p><b>Meeting room:</b> NEEDHAM 3</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> <i>Isiuwa Iyohen, MCO Caribbean Deputy Representative, UN Women</i></p> <p><b>UN Women</b> Presentation of experiences (Spotlight Initiative).</p> <p><b>Antigua and Barbuda</b> <i>Reducing violence against women and girls through education and coalition-building.</i></p> <p><b>Jamaica</b> <i>Unpacking GBV for Trans and GNC Jamaicans</i></p> <p><b>Multicountry</b> <i>Caribbean United against GBV</i></p>	<p><b>Working Group 2:</b> Prevention GBV</p> <p><b>Meeting room:</b> NEEDHAM 1,2</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> <i>Aurora Noguera-ramkissoon, Liaison Officer, Trinidad and Tobago - UNFPA</i></p> <p><b>Suriname</b> <i>Bureau of Gender Affairs, Suriname</i></p> <p><b>Belize</b> <i>"SafeSteps: Empowering Educators for Child Protection"</i></p> <p><b>Guyana</b> <i>A Chance to Blossom (restoring hope after sexual abuse)</i></p> <p><b>Guyana</b> <i>iMatter.gy App</i></p> <p><b>Jamaica</b> <i>Advocacy and Awareness for Gender Responsive Legislation to End VAWG and Family Violence</i></p> <p><b>Trinidad &amp; Tobago</b> <i>Choices and Consequences: Creative, Healthy, Opportunity, Inhale, Cheerful, Explore,</i></p>	<p><b>Working Group 3:</b> State response and reparation GBV</p> <p><b>Meeting room:</b> PENINSULA 1</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> <i>Jairo Acuña, Governance Cluster, UNDP Ana Stefanovic, Technical Coordinator Spotlight Caribbean Regional Programme UNDP</i></p> <p><b>Grenada</b> <i>Grenada National Spotlight Initiative</i></p> <p><b>Bahamas</b> <i>The Domestic Violence Task Force Unit</i></p> <p><b>Belize</b> <i>Engaging Faith-based Communities in Addressing GBV: Promising Practices and Lessons Learnt</i></p> <p><b>Dominica</b> <i>Lifeline safe hosts network</i></p> <p><b>Jamaica</b> <i>Domestic Violence Train the Trainer and POP-UP Clinics</i></p> <p><b>Saint Vincent and the Grenadines</b> <i>Referral Pathways</i></p>	<p><b>Working Group 4:</b> Cultural Change GBV</p> <p><b>Meeting room:</b> PENINSULA 3</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> <i>Tricia Basdeo-Gobin, Spotlight Caribbean Programme, UNICEF</i></p> <p><b>Grenada</b> <i>Unveiling Hope: The Grenada Spotlight Initiative Story</i></p> <p><b>Haiti</b> <i>Towards legal and political reform on VAWG</i></p> <p><b>Jamaica</b> <i>S(HE)Speaks: Male Participation in Reducing Gender based violence.</i></p> <p><b>Suriname</b> <i>Indigenous communities against violence</i></p>
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		<i>Safe</i>	<i>for Gender Base Violence</i>  <b><i>Trinidad &amp; Tobago</i></b> <i>Technology</i> <i>Facilitated Gender Based Violence- call it what it is!</i>  <i>Redefining Public Spaces: 'Green Bench Talk' Tackles Environmental and Social Challenges.</i>	
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13:00 - 14:30	Lunch <u>Meeting room:</u> Peninsula Terrace			
<b>Session 5: NAME Knowledge Marketplace</b>				
14:30 - 16:00	<b>Knowledge Marketplace</b>			
<u>Meeting room:</u>	<b>Purpose:</b> Create a dynamic and interactive platform for participants to explore, share, and select valuable experiences, knowledge products and services related to gender-based violence (GBV) prevention and response.			
NEEDHAM 1, 2 & 3	The session will be organized into rounds, allowing each Initiative representative to showcase their offerings. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about various successful practices, knowledge products and services. They can engage with others, ask questions, and express their interest in specific products or initiatives.			
PENINSULA 2	<b>Moderation:</b> Allyson Leacock, Master of Ceremonies			
<b>Session 6: CONNECT THE KNOWLEDGE: Workshops to Build Connections</b>				
	<b>Workshops to Build Connections</b>			
	<b>Purpose:</b> Serve as a platform for participants to consolidate and formalize the connections, networks, projects, and alliances they have identified during their engagement with the Knowledge Marketplace. Through these workshops, participants will collectively define the next steps and actions needed to advance their collaborative initiatives, thereby fostering national and regional connections that contribute to addressing gender-based violence (GBV) effectively.			
	<b>Moderation:</b> Master of Ceremonies			
16:00 - 17:30	<b>Coordinator:</b> Ana Stefanovic, Technical Coordinator, Regional Programme, UNDP			
	<b>Working Group 1:</b> Data and Innovation GBV  <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 3  <b>Facilitator:</b> <i>Isiuwa Iyahan, MCO Caribbean Deputy Representative, UN Women</i>	<b>Working Group 2:</b> Prevention GBV <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1,2  <b>Facilitator:</b> <i>Adler Bynoe, Guyana – UNFPA Government of Guyana (TBC)</i>	<b>Working Group 3:</b> Response and reparation GBV  <u>Meeting room:</u> PENÍNSULA 1  <b>Facilitator:</b> <i>Noha Saad UNDP</i>	<b>Working Group 4:</b> Cultural Change GBV  <u>Meeting room:</u> PENÍNSULA 2  <b>Facilitator:</b> <i>Elisabeth Robert and Tricia Basdeo-Gobin, Gender Consultants, UNICEF</i>
17:30 a 18:00	<b>Closing of the First Day: Building Together Action through Knowledge</b> <b>Sebastian Essayag, Gender Specialist, UNDP RBLAC Representative of Working Groups</b>			

**Third Day**  
**Tuesday, November 7, 2023**

Time	Session
<b>Session 1: Morning Overview</b>	
8:30- 8:45  <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1,2	<p><b>Re-cap:</b> Consolidate the key takeaways, identify emerging themes, and set the stage for productive collaborations moving forward. Brief overview of the highlights and significant moments from the previous day, reinforcing the value of the collective learning experience.</p> <p><b>Presentation:</b> Master of Ceremonies in dialogue with Government representative and CSO representatives (Yvonne Barrow and Terrydale Ince, Civil Society Reference Group)</p>
<b>Session 2: Keynote Speaker “The use of specialized justice and police processes to address GBV in select Caribbean countries”</b>	
8:45 - 9:15  <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1,2	<p><b>Purpose:</b> Deepen participants' understanding of the challenges and opportunities related to ensuring equitable access to justice for survivors of GBV. The speaker will deliver a presentation, shedding light on the complexities of the justice system, legal frameworks, and the various barriers that hinder access to justice for survivors. The presentation will also highlight successful approaches, innovations, and best practices in enhancing access to justice.</p> <p><b>Keynote Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diana Shaw, Executive Director, The Child Development Foundation</li> <li>- John Coombs, Judicial Counsel, Caribbean Court of Justice, CCJ</li> </ul> <p><b>Commentator:</b> Berdi Berdiyev, Deputy Resident Representative, UNDP Suriname</p>
<b>Session 3: NOURISH Breaking Frontiers: An Interregional Dialogue</b>	
9:15 -11:00	<p><b>Breaking Frontiers: An Interregional Dialogue</b></p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Bridge experiences from the Caribbean with those from other regions, creating a dynamic space for mutual learning and exploration of common challenges.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This session consists of a series of parallel thematic discussions, each focused on a specific aspect of GBV prevention, response, or related areas. These discussions are moderated by RUNOs, who introduce the experiences and frame the context for each thematic area.</li> <li>- <b>Interregional Experiences Presentation:</b> In each thematic discussion, experiences from regions outside the Caribbean are presented.</li> <li>- <b>Caribbean Experiences Comment and Discuss:</b> After the interregional presentations, participants from the Caribbean region engage in thoughtful commentary and discussion. They draw connections between the presented experiences and the unique context of the Caribbean.</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderation:</b> Allyson Leacock, Master of Ceremonies</p>

**Technical Coordinator:** Sebastian Essayag, Gender Policy Specialist, UNDP and Ana Stefanovic, Technical Coordinator, Regional Programme, UNDP

**Working Group 1:**  
Data and Innovation  
GBV

Meeting room:  
NEEDHAM 3

**Moderation:**  
UN Women (TBC)

Interregional  
Experiences  
Presentation

**Multicountry**  
*Gender and  
Corruption in Latin  
America and the  
Caribbean*

**Colombia**  
*Gender-Based  
Violence Alert System*

**Central America and  
the Dominican  
Republic**  
*InfoSegura Regional  
Project*

**Malawi**  
*The Unified Sexual  
and Gender Based  
Violence (SGBV) Data  
Observatory Hub*

**Working Group 2:**  
Prevention GBV

Meeting room:  
GARRISON 1

**Moderation:**  
*Titian-Rose  
Whittle, GBVIE  
Sub-Sector  
Coordinator –  
UNFPA*

Interregional  
Experiences  
Presentation

**Honduras**  
*Youth Outreach*

**Cuba**  
*Inclusive, equitable  
and friendly  
services: Breaking  
down human rights  
and gender-  
related barriers at  
the first level of  
health care*

**Kenya**  
*The GBV Fight,  
Nairobi Chapter*

**Working Group 3:**  
Response and  
reparation GBV

Meeting room:  
PENINSULA 1

**Moderation:**  
*Rita Sciarra  
Guillermina Martin  
UNDP*

Interregional  
Experiences  
Presentation

**Ecuador**  
*Women's Court  
Against Impunity  
for Patriarchal  
Violence Against  
Women and Girls*

**Argentina**  
*Resilient Women*

**South Africa**  
*Time for Change -  
Working At The  
Intersection of  
Food Security,  
GBVF, Human  
Trafficking &  
Sexual Exploitation*

**Nigeria**  
*Preventing and  
Responding to  
Violence Against  
Women and Girls*

**Working Group 4:**  
Cultural Change  
GBV

Meeting room:  
PENINSULA 2

**Moderation:**  
*Denise  
Stuckenbruck,  
Regional Gender  
Advisor UNICEF  
LACRO*

Interregional  
Experiences  
Presentation

**Costa Rica**  
*Green Jobs are  
Decent and safe  
jobs*

**Colombia**  
*Between leadership  
and sports: young  
Colombian women  
as agent of change*

**Argentina**  
*Strengthening of  
state capacity in  
masculinities*

**South Africa**  
*Mentor Brothers:  
Champions of  
Change*

				<i>and Gender-Based Violence in Conflict Affected IDPs camps, School and Host communities in Northeast Nigeria</i>		
11:15 - 11:30	Coffee Break					
<b>Session 4: Nourish the Future: Emerging Issues</b>						
	<p>The "Nourish the Future: Emerging Issues" sessions are designed to explore and highlight advancements and emerging challenges that transcend conventional boundaries. These sessions provide a platform for UN agencies to present innovative and forward-looking developments within the realm of gender-based violence (GBV) prevention and response. Participants will gain insight into evolving issues that demand creative solutions, fostering a forward-thinking approach to addressing GBV in the Caribbean. The goal is to nourish a fertile ground for future actions by shedding light on emerging issues that challenge traditional silos, encouraging attendees to think beyond established boundaries, and inspiring innovative strategies and collaborations.</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> Master of Ceremonies</p> <p><b>Technical Coordinator:</b> Sebastian Essayag, Gender Policy Specialist, UNDP</p>					
11.30 13:00	<p><b>UN Women</b> Experience Supporting organizations whose work have a direct impact on those at-risk or affected by family violence (Small Grants Program)</p> <p><i>Facilitator: Akilah Dorris, UN Women</i></p> <p><u>Meeting room:</u> GARRISON 1</p>	<p><b>UNFPA</b> Experience Implementation of the Essential Services Package in the Region</p> <p><i>Facilitator: Adler Bynoe, Liaison Officer, Guyana – UNFP</i></p> <p><u>Meeting room:</u> GARRISON 2</p>	<p><b>UNICEF</b> Experience Intergenerational Dialogue on Child Marriage and Early Unions in the Caribbean.</p> <p><i>Facilitator: Denise Stuckenbruck, Regional Gender Advisor UNICEF LACRO</i></p> <p><u>Meeting room:</u> GARRISON 3</p>	<p><b>UNDP</b> Family Violence among LGBTI Youth</p> <p><i>Facilitators: Karin Santi, Ana Stefanovic, Sebastian Essayag</i></p> <p><u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 3</p>	<p><b>UNDP</b> Experience Male Engagement and Masculinities in the Caribbean.</p> <p><i>Facilitators: Alicia Mondesire &amp; John Coombs</i></p> <p><u>Meeting room:</u> PENINSULA 1</p>	<p><b>UNDP</b> /CDEMA GBV and Disaster Risk Reduction</p> <p><i>Facilitators: Andria Grosvenor &amp; Noha Saad</i></p> <p><u>Meeting room:</u> PENINSULA 2</p>
13:00-	Lunch					

14:30	
<b>Session 5: Nourish the Future: Mapping Next Steps</b>	
14:30 a 16:00  <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1,2,3	<p>Serve as a forum for participants to share the findings, insights, and actions generated during the previous sessions. Its purpose is to ensure that the collective knowledge and ideas generated are gathered, synthesized, and made accessible to all Knowledge Fair participants. This session is a structured reflection and synthesis of the next steps.</p> <p><b>Facilitators:</b> Octavio Aguirre (UNDP) in collaboration with RUNOs</p>
<b>Session 6: Commitment for Action a Technical Agenda for the Future</b>	
16:00 - 17:00  <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1,2,3	<p><b>Purpose:</b> Facilitate a constructive discussion about the opportunities and commitments that lie ahead in the collective effort to address Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and promote gender equality. Each stakeholder group will have the opportunity to share their perspectives, insights, and commitments for future actions.</p> <p>This session serves as a platform for dialogue, collaboration, and commitment-setting among the various stakeholders invested in addressing GBV and advancing gender equality within the Caribbean region.</p> <p><b>Facilitators:</b> Octavio Aguirre (UNDP) in collaboration with RUNOs</p>
<b>Fourth Day</b> <b>Wednesday, November 8, 2023</b>	
<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>
<b>Session 1: Keynote Speaker</b>	
8:30 a 9:45  <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1,2,3	<p><b>Keynote Speaker Alicia Mondesire</b></p> <p><b>"Gender-based Violence in the Caribbean: Lessons learned and creating an environment for change."</b></p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> Allyson Leacock, Master of Ceremonies</p>
<b>Session 2: AMPLYIFYING: Building a Roadmap to Eradicate GBV and Family Violence in the Caribbean</b>	
9:45 - 11:00  <u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1,2,3	<p>In this culminating plenary speakers, policymakers, and advocates from the Caribbean region will reflect on the knowledge shared throughout the Knowledge Fair, identify emerging trends, and discuss the critical actions needed to address FV comprehensively. Participants will explore how to translate insights from the fair into concrete political agendas, policies, and initiatives that can effect lasting change.</p> <p><b>Moderation:</b> Guillermina Martin (UNDP) and Tonni Brodber (UN Women) (TBC)</p>

### Session 3: Closing Reflections and remarks

<p>11:00- 12:00</p> <p><u>Meeting room:</u> NEEDHAM 1,2,3</p>	<p><b>Closing Reflections and remarks</b></p> <p>This marks the conclusion of the Knowledge Fair, providing an opportunity for organizers, participants, and stakeholders to share final thoughts, insights, and reflections. Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to Caribbean and Regional/Global Initiatives on GVB and FV.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Didier Trebucq</b>, UN Resident Coordinator, Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean.</li><li>- <b>Dr. Alexis Armstrong</b>, DBA – Deputy Secretary-General, CARICOM Secretariat.</li><li>- <b>Dr Florian Luetticken</b>, Team Leader for the Partnership for Governance, Security and Human Development at the EU Delegation to Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean States.</li><li>- <b>Stephanie Ziebell</b>, Deputy Resident Representative, Barbados and Eastern Caribbean, UNDP.</li><li>- <b>Dr Quacy Grant</b>, Civil Society Regional Reference Group.</li><li>- <b>Senator Shantal Munro-Knight</b> (Ph.D.), Minister in the Prime Minister’s Office, Government of Barbados (TBC)</li></ul>
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# **KNOWLEDGE FAIR**

## **“Empowering Voices, Ending Gender-Based Violence”**

# **LOGISTIC NOTE**

**Bridgetown, Barbados**  
**05-08 November 2023**



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# Welcome

The **Regional Hub for Latin American and the Caribbean for the United Nations Development Programme** and The **United Nations Development Programme Multi-Country Office in Barbados** are pleased to welcome you to the “**Knowledge Fair: “Empowering Voices, Ending Gender-Based Violence”**” a space to share experiences and good practices.

The **event/venue** will take place from **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>, November 2023** at the **Hilton Resort in Barbados** in Bridgetown/Barbados. All the activities will take place at the same hotel.

The **accommodation** will take place at the **Accra Beach and Spa Resort in Barbados**.

There will be an **evening cocktail reception on the 5<sup>th</sup> of November from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm** to launch the Knowledge Fair **at the Hilton Resort Barbados**.

The language of the Knowledge Fair will be English.

The expected dress code during the meeting is business casual attire. Cocktail attire for the welcoming event is recommended.

Participants are expected to attend all sessions, and use breakfasts, lunches, or coffee breaks to interact and exchange with participants and resource persons. Bilateral and special meetings shall be organized during breakfast, lunch, or coffee breaks.

This Logistic Note will serve as a guide for organizing your trip and stay in Barbados and contains practical information on the venue of the meeting and accommodation, among others.

**We wish you a pleasant stay!**

**Safe Travels!**





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## VENUE OF THE MEETING:

The **Knowledge Fair: "Empowering Voices, Ending Gender-Based Violence" event/venue** will be held at the [Hilton Resort Barbados](#). Please find the hotel information: Address: Needham's Point St Michael, Bridgetown BB11000, Barbados. Phone: + 1 246 426-0200

## ACCOMMODATION:

Participants are expected to stay at the [Accra Beach Hotel and Spa in Barbados](#). Please find the hotel information: Address: Barbados BB15139, West Indies. Phone: +1 (246) 435-8920.

The driving distance between the Accra Beach Hotel and the Hilton Resort Hotel is approximately 15 min.

Kindly note that TRANSPORTATION **from the accommodation and the venue** will be provided (back and forth).

**Each UN Agency will be responsible for the transportation from the accommodation and the venue of their participants.**

## HOW TO ARRIVE TO THE HOTEL:

Most international airlines fly to Barbados through [the Grantley Adams International Airport \(BGI\)](#).

Airport – Hotel - Airport: The hotel is located 20 – 30 minutes from Grantley Adams International Airport. It offers easy access to the city and the beach.

Approximate one-way taxi fare between the Grantley Adams International Airport and the Accra Beach Hotel and Spa Barbados is USD\$35. There is also a taxi app known as [PickUp Barbados](#) (similar to Uber).

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION:

<b>Language</b>	The official language is English.
<b>Weather</b>	Barbados' climate is warm and humid throughout the year. The average temperature is between 21° to 31° C. From June to December is a wet season, with sudden rain and thunderstorms expected.
<b>Time zone</b>	GMT- 4
<b>Country code</b>	Country code is +1 246. Telephone communications with the rest of the world are good.



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<b>Currency</b>	The Barbados Dollar (BBD) is the national currency, (2 BBD = 1 USD\$). Credit cards are accepted.
<b>Tipping in restaurants</b>	10% to 15% of the bill is the <u>suggested</u> amount.
<b>Voltage</b>	115 Volts, 50 Hertz. US Plug (A y B).
<b>Clothing</b>	Using light clothing outdoors is recommended. For meetings and workshops, where the air conditioning is usually strong, it is good to bring a light jacket or shawl.
<b>Security</b>	Currently Barbados is at SECURITY LEVEL 1; however, Security Clearance is required to travel to Barbados.
<b>Health and Vaccines</b>	Sanitary conditions in Barbados are good. Medical and hospitals services are good but quite expensive. The same applies to the medicines. <b>Yellow Fever vaccine is required. You should travel with a vaccination card.</b>
<b>Driving License</b>	You need a Barbados driving license to drive in Barbados. You can buy one from a car hire company or online from the <a href="#">Barbados Revenue Authority</a> .

## SECURITY CLEARANCE AND VISA:

**Travel Advisory:** Barbados is currently in “Security Level 1”. However, please always bear in mind the following recommendations:

- Do not wear jewelry when you are planning to go outside the hotel, especially when you are going to crowded, dark and/or lonely places.
- Leave your passport, air ticket and other valuables in your hotel room, in the safe- deposit box. Carry only the necessary cash, credit card and ID card.
- Please always take care of your carry-on luggage, especially your personal laptop.
- Use only secure transport applications.

**Visa Requirements:** Each participant is responsible for making sure they have their visa arrangements in order to travel to Barbados. For those travelling with national passport, please refer to the local consulate regarding travel requirements to Barbados.

## HOSPITALS IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

<p><b><u>Bayview Hospital</u></b> St Paul’s Avenue Bridgetown St. Michael, BB14019, Barbados Tel: +1 246-436-5446 24 hrs.</p>	<p><b><u>Queen Elizabeth Hospital</u></b> Martindales Rd, Bridgetown, Barbado Tel: +1 246-36-6450 24 hrs.</p>
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### COVID-19 PROTOCOLS:

There are no testing requirements in Barbados; however, all travelers should review Barbados's entry requirements regarding COVID 19 Protocols when pre check in.

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