

ACTT Engages Registered and Accredited Institutions at Annual Business Meetings 2021

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The Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago (ACTT) hosted its 2nd online Annual Business Meetings for registered and accredited institutions on April 14 and 15, 2021, respectively. As part of its efforts to support institutions during the pandemic and the resulting period of change, ACTT held this forum to provide its institutions with the opportunity to consider new proposals, discuss changes being made or proposed and engage stakeholders in the sharing of ideas, best practices and experiences.

Members of staff shared pertinent information with institution representatives. Topics included Programme Approval: Open, Distance and Online Learning Evidence Requirements; Statement of Recognition and Equivalence Assessment; EDF Strategic Initiative; Substantive Change; and Micro-credential Recognition and Approval.

This year's ABM saw the introduction of a panel discussion on both days; the topic of which focussed on how Post-Secondary and Tertiary Education (PSTE) institutions could become entrepreneurial during a crisis. These panel discussions were facilitated by leaders and senior representatives from both registered and accredited institutions:

- Ann-Marina White, Executive Director, SITAL College of Tertiary Education Ltd (Moderator, Day 1)
- Dr Dawn-Marie DeFour-Gill, Campus Registrar, The University of the West Indies
- Keith McDonald, Executive Chairman, School of Higher Education Limited
- Mariano Browne, Chief Executive Officer, Arthur Lok Jack Global School of Business
- Nathan Langaigue, Assistant General Manager, Training Division, MIC Institute of Technology
- Dr Nigel Fulchan, Director, SAM Caribbean Ltd
- Prof. Prakash Persad, President, The University of Trinidad and Tobago (Moderator, Day 2)
- Dr Prakash Ramoutar, Vice President Financial Administration, University of the Southern Caribbean
- Ravi Ragoonath, Executive Director, CTS College of Business and Computer Science Ltd
- Dr Robin Maraj, Executive Director, SBCS Global Learning Centre

- Prof. Ulrich Rauch, Professor in Practice, The Learning Centre, The University of Trinidad and Tobago

It is anticipated that the learnings acquired from ACTT's Annual Business Meetings would be applied to stimulate growth and development of institutions. The strategies highlighted by the various spokespersons may be used to enhance the operations of institutions. ACTT remains committed to the development and sustainability of its PSTE institutions in advancing the higher education sector during these challenging times.

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