

# International Climate Change Conference in the Caribbean, and GCCA+ Regional Stakeholder meeting for the Caribbean region

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The Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC) and the European Union, within the framework of the Global Climate Change Alliance plus (GCCA+) initiative, in cooperation with the Caribbean Development Bank, and UNDP Japan Caribbean Climate Change Partnership (UNDP-JCCCP) gladly announce their joint international climate change conference for the Caribbean region taking place in Port-Of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, from 9 to 12 October 2017.

The CCCCC coordinates the Caribbean region's response to climate change, through effective solutions and projects, and informs climate change-related policy and guidelines. The Global Climate Change Plus (GCCA+) is a flagship initiative of European Union. Managed by the European Commission's Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DEVCO), the GCCA+ initiative aims at fostering dialogue and cooperation on climate change among the European Union (EU) and developing countries most vulnerable to climate change and to help ensuring that these countries increase their resilience to climate change. The GCCA+ has been active in the Caribbean region since 2008.

This conference will address the role that climate information (from global, regional and local models) has in shaping and implementing climate policy and programmes in the Caribbean region. The various sessions will discuss the crucial nexus of science-policy to build the required capacity and climate programmes for climate resilience in the Caribbean region. It aims at informing programmes on the basis of science-based climate information, highlighting how theories translate into research and how these research findings are used to formulate actions and policies that are critical to building resilience in the Caribbean region. The sessions will also look at how the experience from the Caribbean could be transferable to other regions.

In particular, a range of technical and management experiences from hands-on applications of climate information in the Caribbean region will be presented, fostering interaction and knowledge sharing among natural scientists, social scientists, policy makers and development partners. In addition, this conference will encourage exchanges and partnerships among a variety of stakeholders (including from other regions' Small Island Developing States (SIDS)) involved in global, regional and national climate programmes, as well as climate negotiations. This is particularly important for soliciting feedback necessary to refine the region's research focus as well as for developing programmes and projects suitable to the region's needs and that for example could be funded by the Green Climate Fund (GCF) and other international donors. Access to climate financing will also feature at this conference as potential sources of climate financing and the nuisances associated with accessing those funds will be highlighted, as well as modalities to overcome some of these challenges will be discussed. It will draw on the experiences of regional institutions such as the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) and the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC) and from the EU-GCCA+ initiative and the GCF.

The International Climate Change Conference for the Caribbean region will seek to:

- build consensus and synergies between scientific analysis and policy formulation and implementation;
- expose primary stakeholders within the Caribbean region to the various tools available to integrate climate variability and change into national planning and policies;
- build capacity with regards to climate financing and implementation;
- create linkages and a network of researchers, programme/project developers, donors and policy makers;
- raise awareness on the roles of Caribbean scientists, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) process in general and the opportunities for local/regional scientists during the development of the Sixth Assessment Report (AR6);
- give visibility to scientific documentation generated in the Caribbean region with the intention to be incorporated into the IPCC reports; and
- overall, raise public awareness about climate change related research studies carried out in the region, climate change financing and sustainable development, as well as charting the way forward.

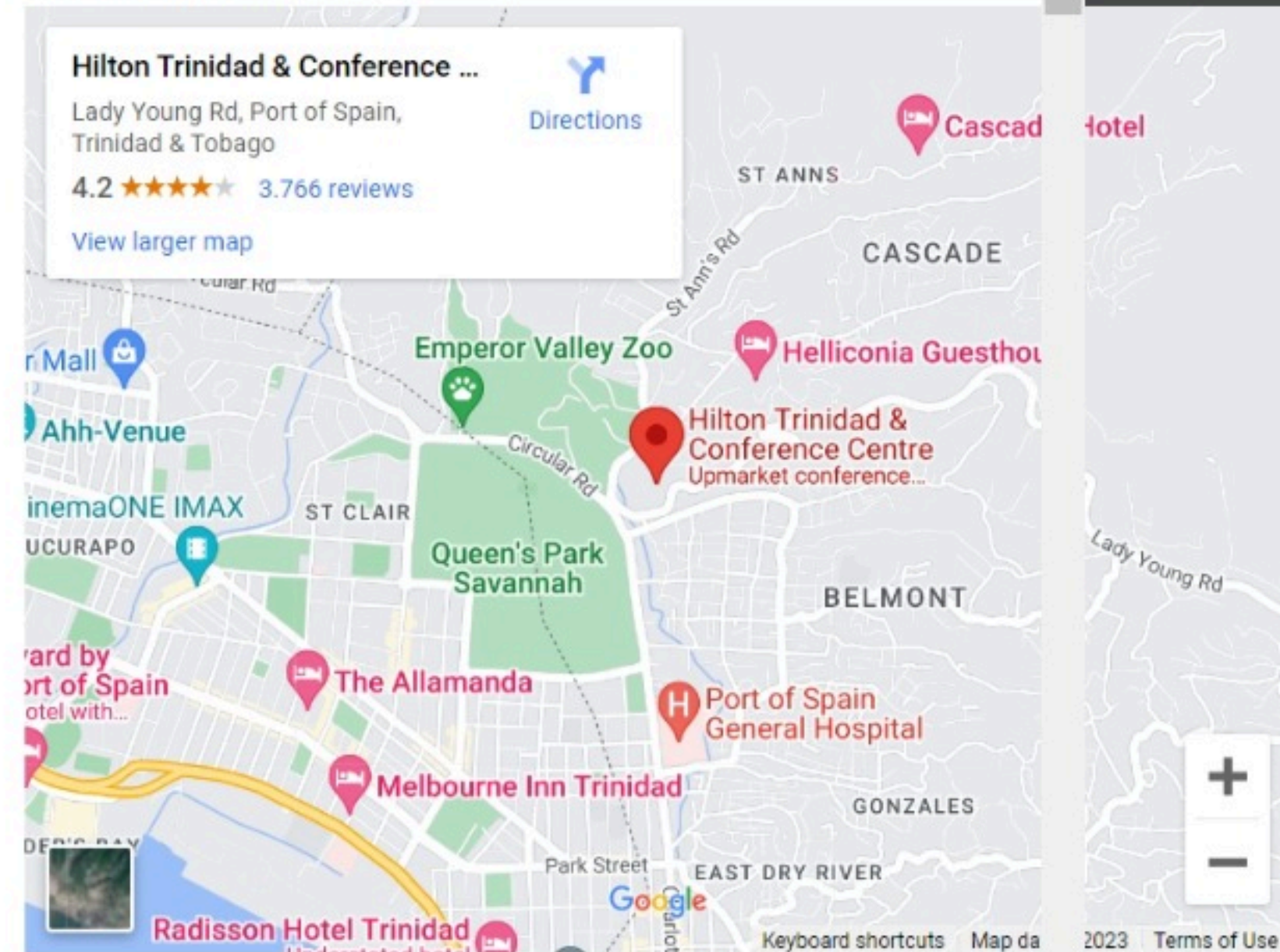
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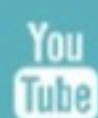


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