



## CCRIF SPC Launches Strategic Plan 2018 - 2021

CCRIF SPC (formerly the Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility) has made public its new Strategic Plan which covers the period 2018 – 2021. This current strategic plan will be implemented as CCRIF enters its second decade of operations and also will be implemented during a period in which CARICOM has declared its bold ambition to make the Caribbean the first climate-resilient zone in the world. Through this Plan, CCRIF will play its part in helping our region realize this stated ambition.

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## CCRIF CEO Participates in IMF, IDB, World Bank "Building Resilience to Disasters and Climate Change" High-Level Conference



CCRIF CEO, Isaac Anthony participated in the IMF, IDB, World Bank "Building Resilience to Disasters and Climate Change" High-Level Conference held at the IMF Headquarters in Washington DC on November 26, 2018. The Conference brought together key stakeholders, including senior policymakers, and public, private, and multilateral development partners, to explore incentives to shift the focus of policies towards building resilience and innovative disaster risk financing policies and instruments that would help in this regard. CCRIF CEO, Isaac Anthony, presented in

the session titled "*Financial Solutions for Disaster Risk Management*". In his presentation, he provided insights into the importance of disaster risk insurance as a means of financial protection for countries vulnerable to tropical cyclones, earthquakes and excess rainfall. He highlighted the role of CCRIF in the Caribbean region and the work of the Facility in providing access to quick liquidity after

a natural disaster as a means of addressing immediate post-disaster needs and also in contributing to the debt and fiscal sustainability objectives of countries.

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## CCRIF COO Participates in EU and the Americas Conference - "An Inclusive and Encompassing Relationship"

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CCRIF COO, Gillian Golah participated in the EU and the Americas Conference held November 15 - 16, 2018 in Miami under the theme *"An Inclusive and Encompassing Relationship"*.

The European Union and leading stakeholders from throughout South Florida, Latin America and the Caribbean held discussions on cooperative approaches and shared challenges from disaster recovery and resiliency to democracy, human rights and trade.

Ms Golah presented on Panel 1 - Disaster Prevention, preparedness and response as a new paradigm under the impact of Climate Change. Her presentation addressed areas such as: Importance of CCRIF to disaster risk management, CCRIF payouts and use of payouts by countries, scaling up of CCRIF and CCRIF's support to Haiti.



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## CCRIF Delivers Training to Officials in Turks and Caicos Islands on "Understanding Ex-Ante Disaster Risk Financing and CCRIF Parametric Insurance Policies"

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Over a two-day period, November 11 and 12, 2018, CCRIF provided training to officials of the Turks and Caicos islands on "Understanding Ex-Ante Disaster Financing, CCRIF Parametric Policies and the Relationship with Fiscal and Economic Policy". The course

includes 3 modules as follows: Ex-Ante and Ex-Post Risk Financing; CCRIF's Products and Services; and an Overview of the country's CCRIF Country Risk Profiles and Policies with CCRIF. Participants also were provided with a comprehensive training manual.

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**CCRIF delivered training to the Government of Belize on November 29 & 30, 2018 - Opening Remarks**



## Meet the CCRIF Executive Management Team



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## Spotlight on the CCRIF Regional Internship Programme 2018

This year, CCRIF placed 19 interns in 16 national and regional organizations across the Caribbean. This programme, launched in 2015, is designed to provide opportunities for students who have specialized in the areas of disaster risk management, environmental management, actuarial science, geography, climate studies and other similar areas to be assigned to national and regional organizations where their educational experience can be enhanced through practical work assignments.

## Benefits for Interns: Young Caribbean Professionals and Students

- Promote academic, career and/or personal development
- Provide experiential learning thereby ensuring that interns gain vital skills and experience that they will be able to use throughout their professional career
- Expose interns to the work being undertaken in the region in the areas of disaster risk management, climate change and risk transfer

## Benefits for National and Regional Organizations

- Provide temporary employees with special and new/cutting-edge skills and knowledge
- Assist with the organizations' work towards achieving their targets

In October CCRIF Vice-Chairperson, Desirée Cherebin and CEO Isaac Anthony, met with CCRIF Intern Peta-Gay Harris from Jamaica who was assigned to the Caribbean Disaster and Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA). (See photo to the right). Ms. Harris assisted CDEMA with creating baseline maps for each of the 18 CDEMA Participating States and assisted the team during Hurricane Isaac and Tropical Storm Kirk with the development of situation awareness maps and pre-impact data analysis.

Since 2015, CCRIF has placed 85 interns in 18 regional organizations and 9 national disaster or meteorology agencies.

CCRIF has invested over US\$250,000 over the 3 years in this programme.

### Snapshot of the work undertaken by interns

### Intern Placements at Host Organizations (2015-2018)



## CCRIF Support to the University of the West Indies under its Technical Assistance Programme

CCRIF SPC and the University of the West Indies have long collaborated on capacity development initiatives, starting with offering scholarships to six students at the University in 2010.

This report describes CCRIF's TA Programme and highlights its benefits to the University of the West Indies.

[See Report](#)

Brief: CCRIF Support  
to the  
University  
of the West Indies  
2010 – 2018

Revised  
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## CCRIF SPC Christmas Message

# Season's Greetings

The CCRIF SPC Board,  
Management and Team  
wish you a Merry Christmas and  
the very best for 2019.

We look toward to our  
collaboration with you in the  
new year as we work with you,  
our members to optimize your  
disaster risk management and  
climate change adaptation  
practices to support long-term  
sustainable development.



### Some Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Host	Location
December 4 & 5	CCRIF Training Programme, "Understanding Ex-Ante Disaster Financing, CCRIF Parametric Policies and the Relationship with Fiscal and Economic Policy"	CCRIF, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development	Cayman Islands
December 10 & 11	CCRIF Training Programme, "Understanding Ex-Ante Disaster Financing, CCRIF Parametric Policies and the Relationship with Fiscal and Economic Policy"	CCRIF, Ministry of Finance	Dominica
December 13 & 14	Disaster and Loss Assessment (DaLA) Methodology Training	UN ECLAC, CCRIF	Turks and Caicos Islands

**All Upcoming Events**

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