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**6TH BIENNIAL
JAMAICA DIASPORA
CONFERENCE 2015**

13-18 JUNE | MONTEGO BAY

“Jamaica and the Diaspora: Linking for Growth and Prosperity”

18 JUNE | Diaspora Day of Service across the island

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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The Conference, convened by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, is the global forum that connects Jamaicans and persons on Jamaican descent from all over the world with Jamaicans in the home country every two years. The event seeks to strengthen existing linkages and networks, and to build alliances for Jamaica's development and standing in the world.

Efforts to rebrand and refocus the 2013 staging, delivered huge dividends. Over 1500 persons attended which featured a fully subscribed *Marketplace*, the fast tracked one-stop-shop Government At Your Service, over 200 Business to Business meetings, targeted discussions, nightly special events, a Golf tournament, and an enriching Diaspora Day of Service.

For Conference 2015 we expect 2000 participants to again take full advantage of these special features coupled with targeted dialogue about business venture partnerships, engaging plenary and concurrent sessions, and an unparalleled schedule of live entertainment, cultural and other special events, and Jamaican culinary delights.

ON YOUR MARKS!

The 6th Biennial Jamaica Diaspora Conference 2015 under the theme "*Jamaica and the Diaspora: Linking for Growth and Prosperity*" from 13 - 18 June in Montego Bay, promises to be an exhilarating, focused and not to be missed event!

For Conference 2015, we remain committed to Jamaica's vision of a mutually beneficial alliance with Jamaicans abroad, placing equal focus on **Social Investment**, *highlighting the focal areas of Health, Education and Community development and ways to expand your contributions and involvement as individuals and organized groups*, and **Business Investment**. *to explore specific opportunities to expand your business interests in Jamaica through increased trade and investment.*

For Conference 2015, key emphasis is being placed on engaging young people of Jamaican descent in an effort to nurture their involvement in Jamaica's affairs and make possible, tangible connections with other young Jamaicans.

This 6th Biennial Conference remains focused on Business, Trade and Investment, Philanthropy, Social Investment, Diaspora Diplomacy and Youth Engagement.

Conference 2015 will be thrilling, Enterprising, Educational, and Energising! Join Us!

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★ REGISTER BY MARCH 31ST FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A GIFT BASKET FROM ONE OF OUR MAJOR PARTNERS! ★

REGISTER NOW FOR THE CONFERENCE

Three (3) Registration Options:

1. Register and Pay Online at www.jamaicandiaspora.gov.jm
2. You can also download and fax your completed form to the Secretariat at (876) 929 6733 and also pay *offline*.
3. You can also scan and email your completed form to info@jamaicandiaspora.gov.jm and also pay *offline*.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

EARLY REGISTRATION FEES APPLY UNTIL THURSDAY 21 ST MAY, 2015				
CURRENCY	UNITED STATES DOLLARS	POUND STERLING	CANADIAN DOLLARS	JAMAICAN DOLLARS
CONFERENCE DAILY RATE	US\$75	GBP£50	CDN\$75	JA\$7,500
FULL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION	US\$145	GBP£100	CDN\$145	JA\$15,000
LATE REGISTRATION FEES APPLY AS OF FRIDAY 22 ND MAY, 2015				
CURRENCY	UNITED STATES DOLLARS	POUND STERLING	CANADIAN DOLLARS	JAMAICAN DOLLARS
CONFERENCE DAILY RATE	US\$90	GBP£60	CDN\$90	JA\$9,000
FULL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION	US\$180	GBP£120	CDN \$180	JA\$20,000

PLEASE NOTE
THE REGISTRATION FEE
IS **NON-REFUNDABLE**.

Paying Registration Fees:

Registration is complete when fees are paid. You may:

- Pay with your credit card online at the Payment portal **OR**
- Pay via a Bank Draft or a Direct Deposit to the Conference A/C

For Draft and Deposit instructions, contact the Conference Secretariat at (876) 926 4220 to 8 EXT 3347 and 3350 / info@jamaicandiaspora.gov.jm. Please note that a copy of your completed registration form - that was emailed or faxed - is to be delivered with the draft payment. Please deliver draft and copy of completed form to the Secretariat c/o The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, 21 Dominica Drive, Kgn 5, Jamaica - Attention Conference Secretariat..

Conference Registration Fee Inclusions:

- Daily Shuttle between the Hilton Hotel and the MBCC. *Please note Airport transfers are not included.*
- Daily Coffee Breaks & Lunch
- Nightly Hospitality and Special Events
- Conference Tote for full three day registrations **only**. *Does not apply to onsite upgrades.*
- Conference Folder if registered for less than three days.

**U.K. ATTENDEES CAN CONTACT THE JAMAICAN HIGH
COMMISSION IN LONDON FOR OTHER SPECIAL
REGISTRATION OPTIONS**

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- Email the Secretariat: info@jamaicandiaspora.gov.jm
- You can Register and pay via credit card online via the conference website or download the registration form from the website and pay offline via bank draft or direct deposit.
- To find out more about the **Day of Service** visit the website.
- For **Marketplace** inquiries email us - info@jamaicandiaspora.gov.jm

CONFERENCE VENUE AND OFFICIAL HOST HOTEL

The Conference programme, *MarketPlace* Exposition and Government at Your Service (fast tracked services) will be presented at the state of the art facilities of Jamaica's **Montego Bay Convention Centre**, (MBCC). Located less than two (2) minutes from the Official Host Hotel, the MBCC's ocean front location and breathtaking, views offers one of the most beautiful settings in the world, combining cutting edge design with superior meeting capabilities.

The Hilton Rose Hall Resort and Spa is the Official Host Hotel for the conference. Very Special room rates are being offered by our Hotel Partner to all Conference attendees:

- **US\$162 before taxes** | Single occupancy EP Plan | **Breakfast only** (Total US\$207)
- **US\$177 before taxes** | Double occupancy EP Plan | **Breakfast only.** (Total US\$226)
- Children 12 & under Free Extra person/child 13+ - \$29 per day before taxes.

Deadlines and Reservation Options

Please note that the Group Reservation Cut Off Date is *Friday May 15, 2015* so book early.

You may make your reservations by phone or online:

- **By Phone | Call the Reservations Department directly: | 1.866.799.3656 OR 1.866.799.3670**

Please be sure to identify yourself as part of the Biennial Jamaica Diaspora Conference Group and state the special group code **ZZMBJD** to receive the Group Rate(s).

- **Book Online/Web-Based Reservations :** Go to the Hotel's convenient web reservation page for the conference: http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/M/MBJRHHF-ZZMBJD-20150608/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG
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AIRLINE PARTNERSHIPS TO DATE

Official Airline Partner Caribbean Airlines is offering a 10% discount to all participants travelling from these locations:

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|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| * Toronto | * New York |
| * Fort Lauderdale | * London (overnight in Port of Spain) |
| * Trinidad | * Barbados |
| * St Lucia | * Bahamas |

Discount Period:

Applies to the period of Wednesday, 10th - Saturday, 21st June, 2015 - 3 days before and 3 days after the conference. Discount will be on G type fares and higher in Economy and C type fares and higher in Business Class. Tickets are in high demand. N.B. **Any changes made after ticketing will incur a penalty.**

Making Your Bookings and Conference Code:

The following Conference Group code must be stated to the Reservations Agent when making your bookings - **JABDC2015**.

All bookings are to be made via phone through Caribbean Airlines' ticketing/reservations Dept.

The discount does not apply when booking online. The contact numbers are as follows:

- USA + Canada - 1.800.523.5585
- Caribbean - 1.800.744.2225.

OTHER PARTNERSHIPS TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON.

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PROGRAMME 2015 SNAPSHOT

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The **Marketplace** presents a singular and affordable opportunity to showcase products, services, and to explore business opportunities in a targeted setting. Maximize the one-stop **Government At Your Service** for a range of convenient and fast tracked services to the Diaspora, only at the conference. Jamaicans around the globe are invited to converge in Jamaica for the **Diaspora Day of Service**, to share your skills, time and resources in community projects of your *own development and choosing*, anywhere in Jamaica. Whether business, personal or a philanthropic interest in Jamaica, **Join Us** - and play a role in the positive change you want to see.

DAILY SCHEDULE

SAT 13 JUNE	Diaspora Church Services	Various locations
	Pre - Conference Registration	Hilton Rose Hall
	Diaspora Golf Tournament - Practice Sessions	Cinnamon Hill
SUN 14 JUNE	Diaspora Church Services	Various locations
	Diaspora Advisory Board Meeting	Hilton Rose Hall
	Pre - Conference Registration	Hilton Rose Hall
	Jamaican American Chamber of Commerce Diaspora Golf Tournament	Cinnamon Hill
	Opening Ceremony and Prime Minister's Reception	Hilton Rose Hall
MON 15 JUNE	Conference Programme, <i>MarketPlace</i> , <i>Marketplace Live!</i> , Tours, Fast tracked Services	MBCC
	Nightly Hospitality and Special Events, Diaspora MoBay Night Out hosted by the Mayor	Various locations
	Special Diaspora Meetings	Hilton Rose Hall
TUE 16 JUNE	Conference Programme, <i>MarketPlace</i> , <i>Marketplace Live!</i> , Tours, Fast tracked Services	MBCC
	Governor - General's Diaspora Achievement Awards & Luncheon	MBCC
	Nightly Hospitality and Special Events	Various locations
WED 17 JUNE	Conference Programme, <i>MarketPlace</i> , <i>Marketplace Live !</i> , Fast tracked Services	MBCC
	Las Lick Pon di Beach - Closing Party	Hilton Rose Hall
THU 18 JUNE	Diaspora Day of Service	Projects island-wide

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade is pleased to announce
some of the key partnerships forged to date with this Global engagement effort:

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