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WELCOME TO TTDRM2026

It is with great pride that I welcome you to the 2nd edition of the Trinidad and Tobago Disaster Risk Management Conference & Expo to be held at the Hyatt Regency Trinidad, June 1st to 3rd 2026. Under the theme of "Resilience 360: Bridging Knowledge and Action", the conference will continue to be a platform for stakeholder collaboration through engagement driven by the desire to share knowledge and create the bridge to sustainable action.

The theme "Resilience 360: Bridging Knowledge and Action", underscores the urgency of building national resilience in a world where single or isolated events or hazards caused by climate shocks threaten small island states and their economic existence. We are advocating for the rethinking of Disaster Risk Reduction and Management through the lens of systemic risk. Instead of focusing solely on isolated events or hazards, this perspective emphasizes understanding the interconnected and cascading nature of risks within complex systems. Systemic risk considers how vulnerabilities in one area—such as infrastructure, environment, or social systems—can trigger broader consequences across multiple domains. By way of example, cities impacted by annual flooding are crippled further when there is a need for evacuation and there is ineffective planning for emergency egress as well as inadequate planning that fails to incorporate the vulnerable as well as persons living with disabilities. It is therefore critical that urban planning is integrated with emergency management.

It is time to switch the focus from managing disasters to managing risk. Advocating for the integration of systemic risk analysis into disaster risk reduction and management strategies supports building national resilience and sustainable development. Underpinning this with a regulatory framework that ensures all stakeholders are held accountable to sustainable actions in their respective spaces, further supports our national resilience imperative. While our regulatory framework is taking shape, however, there is a urgent need to understand what this looks like, such that knowledge informs required actions, allowing our approach to comprehensive disaster risk management to be cohesive and assures effective use of limited resources of people, time and assets.

TTTDRM2026 Conference & Expo has been carefully designed to facilitate meaningful discussions on why it works when urban planning is integrated with emergency management and how private sector has a shared responsibility of keeping lives and property safe. The status of our DRR regulatory framework will be visited and we will seek updates on government legislation geared to building national resilience. Country level preparedness is critical to our sustainability and we will explore national adaptation planning that addresses our vulnerabilities such as food security in a 1.5 degree hotter environment. Disastrous events will occur and we must be able to manage these events, and so through our learning labs, we will expose attendees to tools for managing disasters such as formal incident command systems. As we did in TTDRM2024 where we learned from the Oil Spill in Tobago, we will learn from the passage of Hurricane Flora that devastated Tobago in 1963. The next generation is rightly quite passionate about our sustainability and we will hear form them on why we must care enough to act now.

To our Endorsing Agencies, Sponsors and Exhibitors, we appreciate your presence and support, demonstrating your commitment to building national resilience and a sustainable island state.

I look forward to welcoming all in June 2026.





THE VALUE PROPOSITION

The **value proposition** of **TTDRM** is to:

- · Strengthen disaster risk governance
- · Promote Stakeholder collaboration by working across silos
- · Advocate for a "whole of society approach"
- Demonstrate Technological advancements in DRR
- Effect culture change

ABOUT TTDRM2024

150 Attendees

29
Speakers (local and international)

Sponsors (local and international)

Endorsing agencies (ODPM, TEMA, MORD&LG and AMCHAM)

Conference content was designed and structured to be highly interactive through numerous panel discussions, to resonate with all sectors of society, taking high level national conversations on disaster risk to exploring the impact of disasters on the private sector, building resilient cities and positioning the voices of persons living with disabilities. Attendees were also given the opportunity to participate in focused Learning Labs that allowed for learning and development in Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems, Business Continuity Planning and Understanding NGOs and CBOs Capacity.

TTDRM2024 secured key endorsements from ODPM, TEMA, Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government and ACHAM TT affirmed the vision for creating this platform. With those endorsements, TTDRM further secured feature and keynote speakers by our then Government Ministers, the Honourable Pennelope Beckles-Robinson, Minister of Planning and Development, the Honourable Faris Al Rawi, Minister of Rural Development & Local Government, as well as Mr. Ronald Jackson, Head of Disaster Risk Reduction, Recovery and Resilience, United Nations Development Programme, and Mr. Richardo Aiken, Community Development Specialist, Caribbean Development Bank.

TTDRM2024 closed with delegates wanting to hear more on government policy that underpin national resilience, as well as the status of city evacuation planning and effectively catering for the vulnerable communities and persons living with disabilities in disaster risk reduction and management. TTDRM proved to be an effective pathway for multi-stakeholder collaboration in support of the achievement of national resilience. Reflections on TTDRM2024 showed a gap in addressing the support SMEs' require given their role in supporting national resilience as this subset of the private sector represents a significant aspect of the national business landscape. SMEs require support to ensure that business continuity planning and disaster risk reduction and management is integral to its operating agenda, as the lack of which could have significant impacts on the resilience of the communities in which they operate and who they in turn support, to assure sustainable livlihoods.

TTDRM2026 will continue the dialogue on these issues.





THE VALUE PROPOSITION



Feedback from TTDRM2024 participants...

"Conference was absolutely fantastic in the way it brought together public and private sector which was needed"

> Katherine Badloo-Doerga, Ag. Director Drainage Ministry of Works and Transport

"The conference content was more than hoped for and actually hit the hammer on the nail, and highlighted unexpected topics that could now be factored into disaster management plans"

Wendell Prince, HSE Manager Tobago Regional Health Authority

"Very informative conference with lots of information. With all the information received, what is next, with all of the collections of persons to be able to coordinate the harmonious working of all entities and not everyone in silos. Looking forward to more workshops and interaction among participants at next conference"

> Paula La Foucade, HR 2 Training Officer Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries

It was clear from the engagements between the Delegates, Panelists and Speakers, that there was much knowledge in the room on the issues and the barriers to national resilience It was also clear that actions were being pursued by various agencies and organisations. These multi-stakeholder engagements and collaborations must continue to ensure accountability for progress

The case studies presented proved that lessons learned from major disasters emphasise the need of capacity development to reducing disaster risk. TTDRM is aligned with UNDRR, United Nations Office of Disaster Risk Reduction:

"It's time to break the cycle of disaster > response > dependency > repeat. This means switching the focus from managing disasters to managing risk. An essential step along this journey is acknowledging the fact that there is no such thing as a natural disaster. There are natural hazards that cannot be prevented, such as earthquakes, floods, droughts, and cyclones. But we can curb their destructive power—in other words, stop them turning into major disasters—through careful and coordinated planning that is designed to reduce people's exposure and vulnerability to harm."

TTDRM2026 will continue to be that platform for capacity development.



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Resilience 360: Bridging Knowledge and Action



Objectives of TTDRM2026 include:

- To advocate for the integration of systemic risk analysis into disaster risk reduction strategies that support building national resilience and sustainable development;
- To build awareness of regulatory framework and government policy that support DRRM, Disaster Risk Reduction and Management, and the response required by public and private sectors:
- To create the forum for weighing the benefits of strategic risk analysis, policy and planning together with the impact and cost of response and recovery;
- To build awareness of the impact of disaster and climate related threats on the private sector with an emphasis on small and medium enterprise;
- To strengthen partnerships and stakeholder collaboration by creating opportunities for cross sectoral dialogue, sharing information and aligning strategies

Delegates:

TTDRM2026 will target 300 participants in person, being professionals in private sector and public sector, across all industries, business chambers, NGOs and citizens including:

- Emergency Management
- Government Agencies
- ESG (Environment, Social and Governance) Professionals
- SME Business Owners
- HSSE Management
- * Risk Management
- Facilities Management
- Health sector
- Infrastructure and Utility Management
- Media and Communication
- Environment and Climate Change
- · Agriculture and Farming
- Technologies and Innovation as it relates to disaster management
- International Aid and Development Organisations
- Law Enforcement and Security
- Researchers













What is coming in TTDRM2026

- Rethinking Disaster Risk Management Through the Lens of Systemic Risk
 - Systemic risk considers how vulnerabilities in one area—such as infrastructure, environment, or social systems—can trigger broader consequences across multiple domains. Advocating for integrating systemic risk analysis into disaster risk reduction strategies to support building national resilience and sustainable development
 - Vulnerability of the SME sector to global shocks and hazards, such as supply chain disruptions, power outages, cyberattacks, the effects of climate change and other potential shocks; SMEs account for roughly 85 per cent of all businesses in TT, contributing at least 30 per cent to the nation's GDP, advocating for SME business resilience
- Examining national adaptation planning strategies to manage climate change risks
 - Addressing our vulnerabilities in agriculture and food security and next generation farming
 - Re-thinking how we protecting our infrastructure using sustainable solutions
- Building Resilience: Addressing Underinsurance in the Caribbean through strategic Reinsurance
 - Highlighting the contemporary issue of underinsurance and how smart reinsurance solutions can help people, businesses, and economies recover from disasters

- From Risk Analysis to Action: Turning Assessments into Emergency Plans
 - Awareness of formal Incident Command Systems to manage/respond to national large scale events such as incidents that may cripple our airports and ports in turn crippling our economy
- Examining effectiveness of urban planning when integrated with emergency management
 - Addressing the practices of urban planning and it's impact on community and city evacuations and the environment while creating a voice for private sector urban planners
- Connecting the dots on town and country planning
 - Building awareness of the regulatory framework for town and country planning and the next phase of regulations, insights for private sector
- Incorporating the needs of vulnerable communities and persons living with disabilities, to ensure effective design and integration with emergency management planning
- * Role of Media in building national DRR capability
- Sustainability and the Next Generation
- Examining the role of the Health Sector in disaster risk management, including involvement in shelter activation, and planning for major incident support
- Bridging the Gap Between Data and Community Resilience
 - Utilising data to inform data driven decisions for planning, responding and recovering from disasters





Sponsorship and Exhibition Opportunities

TTDRM2026 offers value adding opportunities for showcasing products and services that all play a part in building national resilience.

*	Branding at conference venue
*	Logo Placements in press

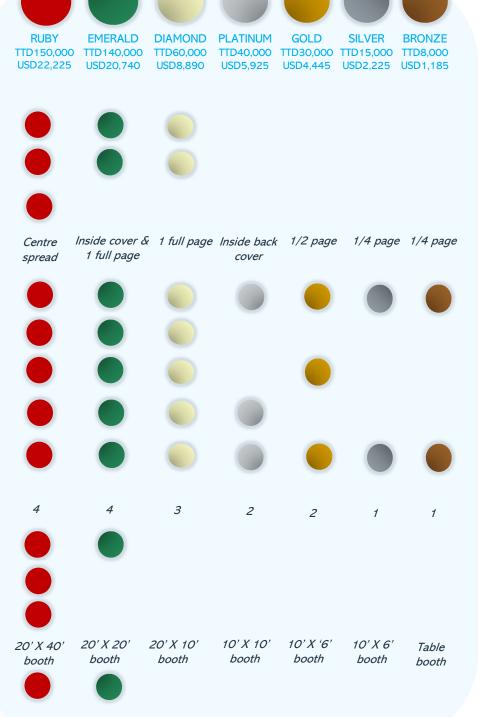
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Opening Keynote address

- ❖ Placement in TTDRM2026 E-
- Verbal recognition at event
- Sponsor's promo video

Book

- Dedicated social media post
- Dedicated promotional email blast to TTDRM attendees
- Distribution of promotional materials
- Conference tickets
- Programme participation
- Product presentation
- Host of networking event
- Booth Space
- Post event report







3 Day Event at Hyatt Regency Trinidad

Registration:

	Early Bird Rate	Standard Rate	
	(until Oct. 31, 2025)	(after Oct. 31, 2025)	
1 Day	TTD 2250 / USD 333	TTD 2500 / USD 370	
2 Days	TTD 4050 / USD 600	TTD 4500 / USD 667	
3 Days	TTD 5850 / USD 867	TTD 6500 / USD 963	
PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO 12.5% VAT			

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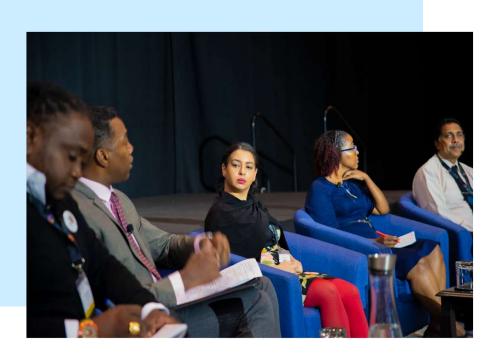
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What is coming:

- Dynamic Plenary sessions and Keynotes by Industry Leaders and subject matter experts
- ❖ Agenda sessions in a range of formats to encourage broad participation
- Expo showcasing products and services from our conference hosts, session Sponsors organizers, others in the business of Disaster Risk Reduction and Management, **Emergency** Management and Financial services
- Stakeholder engagement opportunities
- Networking opportunities





