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Twentieth meeting of the Monitoring Committee of the
Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee
Virtual Meeting, 5 November 2021

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

(Trinidad and Tobago time)

9.00 – 9.30 a.m. **Opening of the meeting**

Statement by Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)

Statement by the Hon. Christian Guillermet-Fernández, Deputy Minister for Multilateral Affairs in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Costa Rica, country that holds the Presidency of ECLAC

Statement by the Hon. Camillo Gonsalves, Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Information Technology, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Chair of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee

Adoption of the agenda (agenda item 1)

Procedural matters and organization of work

9.30 – 10.20 a.m. **Accelerating recovery and strengthening economic resilience in the Caribbean**
(agenda item 2)

Presentation of the Conference Paper: *Reckoning with COVID-19: Pursuing a people-centred recovery and more resilient future for the Caribbean*
Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary, ECLAC (30 minutes)

Perspectives by Dr. the Hon. Ashni Singh, Minister of Finance,
Cooperative Republic of Guyana (20 minutes)

10.20 – 11.30 a.m. **Supporting recovery through regional solidarity and integration** (agenda item 3)

Perspectives by the Hon. Christian Guillermet-Fernández, Deputy Minister for Multilateral Affairs in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of Costa Rica, country that holds the Presidency of ECLAC (20 minutes)

Plenary Discussion (50 minutes)

11.30 – 12.00 p.m. **Safeguarding the health of the Caribbean** (agenda item 4)

Presentation of the outcome of the Seminar on Non-Communicable Diseases by Dr Joy St John, Executive Director, Caribbean Public Health Agency (30 minutes)

12.00 p.m. – 1.00 p.m. Continuation of Plenary Discussion on agenda items 2, 3, and 4

1.00 – 2.00 p.m.

Recess

2.00 – 3.15 p.m.

Report on the Implementation of the 2020 programme of work for the Caribbean (agenda item 5)

Presentation by Diane Quarless, Director, ECLAC subregional headquarters for the Caribbean (45 minutes)

Discussion (30 minutes)

3.15 - 3.30 p.m.

Other matters (agenda item 6)

3.30 – 3.45 p.m.

Date and venue of the twenty-ninth session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (agenda item 7)

3.45 – 4.00 p.m.

Conclusions and recommendations (agenda item 8)

Closing remarks:

Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary, ECLAC

Hon. Camillo Gonsalves, Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Information Technology, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Chair of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee