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Workshop to accelerate SDG implementation
in the Caribbean

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Thursday 18 May

08:00 – 08:30

Registration

08:30 – 09:00

Opening of the workshop

- Welcome remarks by Diane Quarless, Director, ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean
- Purpose and structure of workshop by Abdullahi Abdulkadri, Coordinator, Statistics and Social Development Unit, ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean

09:00 – 09:30

Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs): Building blocks for SDG reporting

- Diane Quarless, Director, ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean

09:30 – 10:30

Discussion

10:30 – 10:45

Coffee break

10:45 – 11:30

Formalizing institutional arrangements to mainstream the SDGs and other relevant development platforms in national development processes

- Abdullahi Abdulkadri, Coordinator, Statistics and Social Development Unit, ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean

11:30 – 12:30

Discussion

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch

13:30 – 15:30

Formalizing institutional arrangements to mainstream the SDGs and other relevant development platforms in national development processes

- **Breakout session to examine the challenges of national development processes**

Facilitator: Dillon Alleyne, Deputy Director, ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean



15:30 – 15:45

Coffee break

15:45 – 16:45

The data challenge for evidence-based policy planning and SDG implementation

- **The data gap in the Caribbean**

Abdullahi Abdulkadri, Coordinator, Statistics and Social Development Unit, ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean

- **Addressing the data gap through innovation in statistical capacity building**

Michael Witter, Senior Fellow, Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies, The University of the West Indies, Mona Campus

16:45 – 17:30

Discussion

17:30 – 18:00

Closure of symposium

- **ECLAC support for SDG implementation in the Caribbean**

- **Conclusions**

Diane Quarless, Director, ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean