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### ***Sustainable Futures for the Caribbean***

International Conference

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Holiday Inn Resort

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## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

In celebrating the UWI's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies is pleased to issue this call for papers for its 19th Annual Conference with the theme:

### ***Sustainable Futures for the Caribbean: Critical Interventions and the 2030 Agenda***

In a global environment characterized by significant political, social, economic, technological and environmental turbulence, the Caribbean region which forms the backbone of American Archipelagic space, faces revolutionary times. Thus, as our global geopolitical environment is subject to pressures of dissolution, fragmentation and transformation in the post-Brexit and Trump era, regional and island economies are faced with radical new opportunities to either sink separately or swim together. Yet the current choice to "sink or swim" represents simultaneously a *déjà vu* moment given the prescience of the 1947 conference for the Closer Association of the British West Indian Colonies that was held in Montego Bay, Jamaica. The conference was attended by country and colonial representatives. One of the most important activities of the conference was the establishment of a committee to examine the political and economic need for closer association of the Caribbean territories and to make recommendations in the form of draft resolutions which were later approved by the conference. Are these historical concerns still salient in a shift to a global 2030 sustainable development agenda?

As history has taught us, attempts at political federation failed in large measure and were replaced by a push for functional and economic cooperation by independent and somewhat insular nation states. The 19th Annual SALISES Conference seeks then to re-examine the questions raised at that historic conference in Montego Bay, in the light of our current moment, and to revisit some of the issues (e.g. Caribbean fiscal problems, labour rights and structural inequality) discussed in that conference. Scholars, practitioners, policy makers and students alongside the general public, will also

seek to provide analyses of the multiple political challenges and prospects for sustainable social and economic growth by 2030 and beyond.

Papers are invited on the following sub-themes/topics:

1. Caribbean Regional Inequality, Structural Adjustment and a new Growth Agenda
2. Latin America and Caribbean integration: Strategies for Sustainable Development
3. Constitutional Reform and Local Governance for Democracy and Development
4. Gender, Sexuality, Class, Racial Power and the Politics of Inclusion/Exclusion
5. Caribbean Ecosystems: Social Growth, Environment and Financing for Development
6. Reparatory Justice, Criminal Justice, Labour Justice and Sustainable Development
7. Migration, Diaspora, Cultural Investment and Development
8. Global Governance and Public Policy for Sustainable Trade, Investment and Growth.
9. Educational Philosophy- Training, Teaching and Learning
10. Community and Social Enterprise Development as sustainable new growth models
11. The 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution- The Future of Work and Competitiveness
12. The Medical Cannabis Industry, Health and Development
13. Sustainable Cities, Tourism and the Green Economy
14. Poverty, Social Exclusion, Marginalization and the crises of Modern Power
15. Sport, Development and the 'spirit' of Caribbean people's 'to di world' agenda
16. Climate Change, SIDS and Sustainable Rural Futures for Health and Wealth
17. Child Development ,Youth Futures and Ageing Populations
18. Measuring the Sustainable Development goals, risks and well-being in the region
19. Language, Livability, The Arts, Creative Lives and the Future of Cultural Industries
20. The Internet of Things (IoT) for global problems – Climate Change, Education, Poverty & Terrorism
21. Globalization, Violence, Debt and Development

Proposals not exceeding 300 words for **special panels** are also invited. Special Panels should have a maximum of 4 persons.

**Abstracts of 200 words or less and full papers should be sent to [salisesconference2018@gmail.com](mailto:salisesconference2018@gmail.com) and include name, position and contact information.**

Deadline for submission of abstracts: **December 15, 2017**

Date for Notification of acceptance of abstract: **January 19, 2018**

Deadline for submission of full conference papers in WORD format: **March 26, 2018**

Deadline for submission of paper for consideration for publication is **August 30, 2018**

Registration Fees:  
**Early Bird (up to February 28, 2018)**

**THREE DAY REGISTRATION ONLY**

\*Overseas Participants: US\$250

\*Local Participants: US\$200

\*Students: US\$75

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**Conference website:** <http://www.uwi.edu/salises/SALISES19thAnnual-Conference.php>