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### **The UWI Open Campus and Caribbean Institute of Certified Management Consultants (CICMC) Sign MOU**

**The UWI Open Campus, Barbados W.I., August 14, 2018** – The University of the West Indies (UWI) Open Campus and The Caribbean Institute of Certified Management Consultants (CICMC), signed a formal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Tuesday, August 14, 2018. The agreement which was signed by the Pro Vice-Chancellor and Principal of The UWI Open Campus, Dr. Luz Longsworth and President of the CICMC, Mr. Donald Demeritte provides collaboration in areas such as: regional capacity building utilising the skills of Management Consultants to assist with specialised projects and joint ventures, organizational development initiatives, public education workshops and webinars and technical assistance, where practicable in harnessing the experience and resources of both organizations.

In her remarks about the partnership with the Caribbean Institute of Certified Management Consultants (CICMC). Dr. Luz Longsworth, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the Open Campus, stated, "The University of the West Indies Open Campus is committed to its partnership with The Caribbean Institute of Certified Management Consultants. This MOU reflects The UWI's Triple A Strategy (2017-2022) Revitalizing Caribbean Development which is conceived within the continuing context of sustained public service and persistent institutional excellence and endurance. The UWI's aim to propel the people of the region along a progressive and prosperous path is both the University's intention and its mission. The UWI Open Campus is committed to capacity development of the Caribbean and, in partnership with CICMC, to advancing The UWI's vision for regional viability in economic development relevance and sustainability. We are pleased and excited about the potential of pooling our institutional capacity development in this Open Campus CICMC partnership."

Mr. Donald Demeritte, CICMC President, remarked, "The Caribbean Institute of Certified Management Consultants believes that, through this partnership with The UWI Open Campus, we have the opportunity to educate our members on management consulting skills that will not only make them better professionals and citizens of the Caribbean, but will ultimately contribute to the overall development in the field of Management Consultancy." Mr. Demeritte added, "We are excited about the partnership with The UWI Open Campus. Our executive and members welcome the benefits from this fruitful partnership."

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**Photo captions:**



Dr. Luz Longworth, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Principal of The UWI Open Campus and Mr. Donald Demeritte, President, CICMC (The Bahamas) sealing the agreement with a hand shake after the signing ceremony.



Dr. Luz Longworth, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Principal of The UWI Open Campus and Mr. Donald Demeritte, President, CICMC - The Bahamas (centre) – sharing lens with other members of the CICMC from (l-r) Ms Juliette Feliciano - Administrator, CICMC Secretariat (Barbados), Mrs. Norma Shorey-Bryan - President, CICMC (Barbados) Chapter and Mr. Olson Robertson, Regional Director, CICMC (Barbados) after the signing ceremony.

## **About CICMC**

The Caribbean Institution of Certified Management Consultants (CICMC) is the official representative body for Certified Management Consultants. The CICMC was established in 2007, as a non-profit organisation to regulate the practice of management consultancy, to advocate for the profession and to advance the effectiveness of management consulting practices and processes in the region. Since its inception and with the institutional support of the Caribbean Export Development Agency and other regional stakeholders, CICMC has expanded its influence throughout the CARIFORUM region and is now regarded as a champion of advocacy, network support, capacity development and education for regional consulting professionals.

The CICMC facilitates members' certification in management consulting, i.e. Certified Management Consultant (CMC) along with other ongoing education courses and is affiliated with the International Council of Certified Management Consultants network globally.

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## **About The UWI**

For the past 70 years The University of the West Indies (The UWI) has provided service and leadership to the Caribbean region. In 2018, The UWI celebrates its evolution from 1948 as a university college in Jamaica with 33 medical students to an internationally respected regional university with near 50,000 students. Today, The UWI is the largest, most longstanding higher education provider in the Commonwealth Caribbean, with four campuses in Barbados, Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, and an Open Campus. The UWI has faculty and students from more than 40 countries and collaborative links with 160 universities globally; it offers undergraduate and postgraduate degree options in Food & Agriculture, Engineering, Humanities & Education, Law, Medical Sciences, Science & Technology, Social Sciences and Sport. Its seven priority focal areas are linked closely to the priorities identified by CARICOM and take into account such over-arching areas of concern to the region as environmental issues, health and wellness, gender equity and the critical importance of innovation. The UWI has been a pivotal force in every aspect of Caribbean development; residing at the centre of all efforts to improve the well-being of our people. As the regional institution commemorates its 70th anniversary milestone, it will celebrate its students, faculty, administrators, alumni, governments, and partners in the public and private sector. The anniversary commemoration will focus on reflection as well as projection for the future with an emphasis on social justice and the economic transformation of the region. Website: [www.uwi.edu](http://www.uwi.edu) and [www.uwi.edu/70](http://www.uwi.edu/70). *(Please note that the proper name of the university is The University of the West Indies, inclusive of the "The", hence The UWI.)*