Research Review Seminar 2025 "NAVIGATING THE TRIPLE D'S: IMPLICATIONS OF DE-GLOBALISATION, DECARBONISATION AND DIGITALISATION FOR THE CARIBBEAN REGION"



CALL FOR PAPERS RESEARCH REVIEW SEMINAR 2025

"Navigating the Triple D's: Implications of De-globalisation, Decarbonisation and Digitalisation FOR THE Caribbean Region"

The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago cordially invites submissions for the 2025 Research Review Seminar on "Navigating the Triple D's: Implications of De-globalisation, Decarbonisation and Digitalisation for the Caribbean Region." This Seminar will take place during **September 3-5, 2025**.

The Seminar is being held against the backdrop of an increasingly multi-polar world marked by an intensification of geo-economic fragmentation both in the physical and digital space. At the same time, a number of potentially transformational transitions are occurring on several fronts. In the Caribbean, while transition risk has slowed somewhat, the vulnerability to climate change is becoming much more acute. As a result, climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies are continuing and need to step-up notwithstanding the withdrawal of key players from major global climate initiatives. Regional digitalisation efforts have also accelerated across the private and public sectors, with artificial intelligence adoption gaining a foothold, aiding structural transformation. However, region's technological and technical deficit needs to be adequately address for rapid economic transformation. Finally, legacy issues related to high public debt and demographic trends (population ageing coupled with the outward migration of skilled labour) will no doubt stoke fiscal unsustainability if left unduly unattended.

The confluence of these transitional factors calls for an amplification of research efforts since the nature and outcomes of their interactions with conventional economic and financial constructs are somewhat ambiguous. In this regard, the Seminar seeks to inspire discourse among regional academics and policymakers to confront these challenges head-on. More importantly, the Seminar strives to couple the development of Caribbean-specific approaches with actionable initiatives that can be adopted to catapult the region towards transformative economic and financial sustainability.

SEMINAR FORMAT

The Seminar extends over three (3) days from September 3-5, 2025. Each accepted paper will be assigned a discussant to provide quality feedback to presenters as well as to a lively collegial sitting. Doctoral and Masters students are particularly encouraged to submit papers, as there will be a session dedicated to showcasing their work. A cash prize for the best student paper would be awarded.

TOPICS

We welcome research submissions on topics related to the Seminar's theme, "Navigating the Triple D's: Implications of De-globalisation, Decarbonisation and Digitalisation for the Caribbean Region".

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Submissions closely related to the topics of the Seminar and those incorporating policy recommendations will be given acceptance priority. However, research papers that tackle broader macroeconomic and financial topics are also welcome. We are interested in both qualitative and quantitative studies that employ relevant methods of analysis and the presentation of research findings.

The programme's sub-themes are as follows:

- 1. De-globalisation, Decarbonisation and Digitalisation: Implications for Monetary and Fiscal Policies in the Caribbean.
- 2. Leveraging Artificial Intelligence for Growth and Productivity.
- 3. Inflation in an Era of Global Economic Re-alignments.
- 4. Climate Change and Green Financing: Mechanisms for Public-Private Cooperation.
- 5. Trade Policy, the Global Re-alignment and Regional Economies
- 6. Promoting the Digital Economy
- 7. Modernising the Regional Financial System (Fast payments, Cybersecurity, and Crossborder payments).

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please submit abstracts to the seminar secretariat at RRSecretariat@central-bank.org.tt by July 11, 2025. Authors would be informed of acceptance by July 21, 2025. Completed research papers and the name of the presenter(s) should be sent to the above-mentioned email address by August 22, 2025.

CONFERENCE LOGISTICS

The 2025 Seminar will be hosted in a hybrid format, with Microsoft Teams as the platform for participants joining virtually. For in-person participants, the Central Bank will provide airport pick-up and drop off as well as transportation services between the official hotel and the venue on the days of the Seminar and for planned social activities. Lunch will also be provided on a daily basis. Upon acknowledgement of paper acceptance, participants will receive notification to register via the conference portal. A user guide to navigating the registration process and conference portal will be provided.

For any further inquiries, please contact the seminar secretariat at 868-621-2288 Ext. 4905 or RRSecretariat@central-bank.org.tt.