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## Research Review Seminar 2023

The Future of Regional Economics in the context of  
Greening, Digitalisation and Other Disruptive Forces

### CALL FOR PAPERS



#### KEY DATES

**July 14, 2023:**

Submission of Abstracts to the seminar secretariat at [RRSecretariat@central-bank.org.tt](mailto:RRSecretariat@central-bank.org.tt)

**July 28, 2023:**

Informing authors of their acceptance

**September 8, 2023:**

Submission of completed research papers

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#### “THE FUTURE OF REGIONAL ECONOMICS IN THE CONTEXT OF GREENING, DIGITALISATION AND OTHER DISRUPTIVE FORCES”

The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago cordially invites interested authors to submit research and policy-oriented papers for its 2023 Research Review Seminar carded for **September 27-29, 2023**.

Successive waves of economic shocks are adversely impacting the Caribbean, however many of these shocks are not emanating from the economic sphere, but instead are spillovers from events that are structurally disruptive such as climate change and digitalisation. Conventional economic theories and models may not be sufficiently equipped to handle the diverse array of outcomes, which can occur through a multitude of transmission channels. At the same time, there has been increasing focus in academic and policymaking circles on addressing these blind spots. Though still evolving, the foundations to better understand the macroeconomics of climate change as well as the growth-supportive role of digitalisation have been laid. Further, the influence of geopolitical factors on economic outcomes is becoming more significant, giving rise to considerations to reorient global supply chains through concepts such as nearshoring. The task for Caribbean leaders is to suitably adapt these developing policies and approaches, which are being designed predominantly from a developed country perspective, in a manner that reflects regional realities, enhances efficacy and contributes to the improved resilience of Caribbean economies. Against this backdrop, the Seminar aims to create a collegial forum for academics and policymakers to exchange policy ideas on the conceptualisation, design and implementation of regional economic policies to build a more resilient Caribbean economy in an environment punctuated by a dynamic assortment of economic jolts.

#### SEMINAR FORMAT

The Seminar will run over three (3) half-day sessions from September 27-29, 2023. Therefore, the programme will have a limited number of papers to ensure active participation and quality feedback to presenters. Submissions closely related to the topics of the Seminar will be given acceptance priority. Doctoral and Masters students are particularly encouraged to submit papers, as there will be a session dedicated to showcasing their work. A prize for the best paper would be awarded. In addition, the programme includes a panel discussion with public and private sector experts on the economic potential of a festival mainstay - Carnival.





## TOPICS

We welcome research submissions on topics related to the Seminar's theme, "*The Future of Regional Economics in the context of Greening, Digitalisation and Other Disruptive Forces*". 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:

- The Inflation Comeback: Implications for Monetary Policy
- Rethinking Caribbean Fiscal, Monetary and External Policies in the context of a Global Energy Transition
- Artificial Intelligence and Economic Policymaking
- Financing Modalities for Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation
- Caribbean Resilience-building Priorities Amidst Increasingly Disruptive Forces
- Strengthening the Arsenal: New Tools for Economic and Financial Risk Assessment
- Global Supply-chain Realignment: Opportunities for the Caribbean
- Accelerating Structural Reforms through Digital Transformation

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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## CONFERENCE LOGISTICS

The 2023 Seminar will be hosted in a hybrid format, with Microsoft Teams as the platform for participants joining virtually. 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](mailto:RRSecretariat@central-bank.org.tt).