



TABLE OF CONTENTS

May, 2008

CARIBBEAN EXPORT DIGEST

- [CGCS LAUNCH IN BARBADOS](#)
- [LAUNCH OF CTPSDP/CGCS](#)
- [20TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CARIBBEAN EXPORT](#)
- [FDI WORKSHOP](#)
- [CAIPA MEETING](#)
- [SIDS EXPO - NEW YORK](#)

CSME NEWS

- [COTED FOCUSED ON FOOD SECURITY](#)
- [CARICOM ICT ACTION PLAN](#)

TRADE POLICY DEVELOPMENTS

- [EPA SIGNING DELAYED](#)

MARKET NEWS

- [CDB'S CTCS NETWORK](#)
- [IADB GRANTS PROGRAMME](#)
- [WORLD BANK APPROVES OECS CREDIT](#)

PRODUCT NEWS

- [ACP FILMS PROGRAMME](#)

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

- [BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- [UPCOMING EVENTS](#)

CARIBBEAN EXPORT DIGEST

CGCS LAUNCH IN BARBADOS

Planning of the 15th Caribbean Gift and Craft Show (CGCS) continues apace at the **Caribbean Export Development Agency (Caribbean Export)** reports Show Manager, Veona Maloney, in an update on the show's upcoming official launch in Barbados, scheduled for June 11th at the Sherbourne Conference Centre.

According to Ms. Maloney, Show Manager, "CGCS 2008 has special significance - achievement of a laudable milestone and a focus on the youth and design." Young designers of the region will have the opportunity to showcase their creativity and ingenuity in the 'Embracing Design Division' of the show, and to capture the 'Best New Designer Award' and the 'Best Design School Award' - two new award categories which have been added to the Best of Show Awards this year.

'Onsite Caribbean' a new and exciting collection of home accessories developed by eight (8) companies from Barbados, Haiti, Dominica and Jamaica under the direction of noted designer and Trade Facilitation Office Canada's (TFO Canada) Consultant Patty Johnson, will also have its regional launch at CGCS 2008, and this should appeal to regional and international buyers and members of the public in attendance.

The 15th Caribbean Gift and Craft Show featuring Caribbean Fashion Rhythms takes place at the Sherbourne Conference Centre in Barbados from October 2-5, under the theme "Celebrating Handmade Designs and Caribbean Traditions." For further details and registration information visit www.caribbeangiftandcraft.com or contact Ms Veona Maloney at e-mail: vmaloney@carib-export.com

LAUNCH OF CTPSDP/CGCS

The Executive Director of the **Caribbean Export Development Agency (Caribbean Export)**, Philip Williams, will launch the Caribbean Trade and Private Sector Development Programme (CTPSDP) - 2nd Phase and the 15th Caribbean Gift and Craft Show (CGCS) in Castries, Saint Lucia on June 12, following a courtesy call on the Honourable Rufus G. Bousquet, Minister of Trade, Industry, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Investment and meetings with other officials.

The agreement bringing into effect Phase Two of the CTPSDP was recently signed by the European Union (EU) and Caribbean Export. The main objective of this programme is to contribute to the gradual integration of CARIFORUM countries into the world economy and by so doing enhance regional economic growth and thus help to alleviate poverty.

According to Mr. Williams, who will be on his first visit to Saint Lucia since assuming office as Executive Director, "the launch will be of interest to the public and private sectors since the CTPSDP programme aims to increase the international competitiveness of the region and to help the potentially more competitive sectors." He noted "it will support improvement of the trade and investment environment as well as the institutional strengthening of business support organisations (BSOs) to enhance the range and quality of services delivered to their clients."

The 15th CGCS takes place from October 2-5, at the Sherbourne Conference Centre in Barbados and a large contingent of exhibitors and trade buyers from Saint Lucia is expected to participate. 'Celebrating Handmade Designs and Caribbean Traditions' is this year's theme which, according to Veona Maloney, Caribbean Export's Manager, Core Services, highlights "the pivotal role of design" since it is recognised "that a handcrafted product often has a story, inspiring origin, or close connection to the designer, and respect for and dedication to quality, design and creativity, sets handcrafted items apart from mass-produced merchandise."

20TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CARIBBEAN EXPORT

The 20th Meeting of the Board of Directors of Caribbean Export Development Agency (Caribbean Export) will take place on Friday, 20th June 2008 at the U N (United Nations) House in Barbados. Representatives of the 15 member states of CARIFORUM, who sit on the Board, are expected to attend. They will be joined by observers from the Delegation of the EU in Barbados, the CARICOM Secretariat and other important regional bodies. Also expected are

representatives of the French DOMs and the Dutch OCTs.

According to Philip Williams, Caribbean Export's Executive Director, "The main items for consideration at this meeting will be Caribbean Export's Annual Report 2007, a review of the work of the Agency during the first five months of 2008 and its plans for the remainder of the year." Also on the agenda will be the Agency's plans for the implementation of the recently signed 9th EDF Caribbean Trade and Private Sector Development Programme Phase 2, preparations for CGCS 2008 in October, and matters related to the CARIFORUM/EU Business Forum and the Canada/CARICOM Business Forum, both of which are scheduled to take place in November, 2008.

FDI WORKSHOP

Need for the development of a comprehensive Regional Investment Promotion Training Programme for regional Investment Promotion Agencies (IPAs) staff was the main recommendation coming out of the three (3) day workshop on Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Attraction in the Caribbean, from May 27 - 29 in Barbados. The workshop was organised by the **Caribbean Export Development Agency (Caribbean Export)** in partnership with the Trade Facilitation Office Canada (TFO Canada).

One of the four components of the TFO Canada/**Caribbean Export** Agreement signed in 2007, this course was designed for personnel of Investment Promotion Agencies (IPAs) from the fifteen Member States of CARIFORUM. The workshop focused on the implementation of a trade and investment related capacity building programme in the Caribbean region. Training was also provided on FDI promotion as well as specific marketing techniques to help IPAs become more competitive in attracting foreign investors.

Twenty three (23) participants from Investment Promotion Agencies (IPAs) in 14 countries including CARIFORUM Member States as well as the Cayman Islands and St Maarten, attended the workshop.

The Honourable Christopher Sinckler, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and International Business was the featured speaker at the opening ceremony on Tuesday May 27. Guest speaker was Dr. Michael Mortimore, Chief, Unit on Investment and Corporate Strategies, UN Economic Commission on Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) who addressed participants on "Globalization and Foreign Direct Investment Policies: Where is Latin America and the Caribbean?"

Mr. Paul Desbiens former Director of Investment Partnerships and Mr. George Woods former Senior Officers at the Invest in Canada Bureau, were facilitators at the workshop. They shared with participants, their experiences with the Canadian FDI partnership, provided insights on the most recent FDI trends around the world and highlighted the results of their findings with regards to the Caribbean.

To download the Workshop Programme and other documents, please follow the links below:

[Workshop Programme](#)

[Caribbean Export Development Agency's Executive Director's Welcome and Introduction](#)

[Barbados' Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and International Business' Feature Address](#)

[Chief, Unit on Investment and Corporate Strategies, UN Economic Commission on Latin America and the Caribbean \(ECLAC\) Guest Speaker's Presentation](#)

[List of Participants](#)

CAIPA MEETING

The First Meeting of the Board of the Caribbean Association of Investment Promotion Agencies (CAIPA) was held on May 26, at the United Nations House in Barbados, under the chairmanship of Ms Lisa Bell, Executive Director of Services, Jamaica Trade and Invest.

Mr Robert Gregory, President, Jamaica Trade and Invest was elected as President of CAIPA and Mr Khalid Hassanali, President, ETECK, Trinidad and Tobago and Mr. Eddy Martinez, Centro de Explotacion e Inversion (CEIRD), Dominican Republic were elected as Vice Presidents at the meeting.

The meeting noted and approved the **Caribbean Export Development Agency's (Caribbean Export)** plans to recruit a Senior IPA Advisor as a matter of urgency, to work with regional IPAs to develop a regional Investment Promotion Strategy and a comprehensive Training Programme for IPA staff. A programme will also be developed to mobilize funding for CAIPA.

CAIPA is an umbrella organisation that will facilitate collaboration between Investment Promotion Agencies (IPAs). It aims to strengthen the region's visibility as an attractive destination for foreign direct investment (FDI).

Membership of CAIPA is open to all CARIFORUM Member States as well as the Dutch OCTs, French DOMS, Anguilla, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Turks and Caicos Islands and Cuba.

To download the Programme follow the link below:

[Meeting Programme](#)

[Overview of CAIPA - Where are we?](#)

Ms Lisa Bell, Executive Director of Services - Jamaica Trade and Invest

[Caribbean Export and Regional Investment Promotion -Where do we plan to go?](#)

Mr. Philip Williams, Executive Director -Caribbean Export Development Agency

[Foreign Direct Investment as the Axis of the National Development Strategy and the Role of the National/Regional Investment Promotion Agency](#)

Dr Michael Mortimore, Chief - Unit on Investment and Corporate Strategies
UN Economic Commission on Latin America and the Caribbean

SIDS EXPO - NEW YORK

At the request of the Division for Sustainable Development of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the **Caribbean Export Development Agency (Caribbean Export)** coordinated the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) Exposition at the sixteenth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) at the United Nations Building, New York from May 12-16. The objective of the Expo was to demonstrate the creativity and productivity of small-island developing states.

The Exhibition which was well received by official delegates, special guests and UN staff members, showcased arts, crafts, foods and beverages. It also demonstrated the important role that culture plays in ensuring a more participatory approach to sustainable development through the promotion of public education and awareness on issues of critical concern to SIDS. Nine (9) CARIFORUM States and four (4) Pacific and Indian Ocean island states participated in the Expo.

CSME NEWS

COTED FOCUSED ON FOOD SECURITY

The Twenty-Seventh Special Council for Trade and Economic Development (COTED) on Agriculture to review the project promoting CARICOM/CARIFORUM Food Security was held on May 21, two weeks before the Agriculture Investment Forum scheduled from 6-7 June in Georgetown. The planning and execution of the Investment Forum, follow-up actions from the Agriculture Donor Conference of 2007 and the status of other elements of the Jagdeo Initiative were discussed at this special meeting.

CARICOM ICT ACTION PLAN

In keeping with a decision taken at its Second Meeting in Georgetown, Guyana on May 14, the CARICOM Regional Information Communication and Technologies (ICT) Steering Committee will develop an action plan by September 30, 2008, to accelerate the Community's transformation into an active part of the Information Society.

Sub-committees on Capacity Development, Access, Connectivity and Internet Governance, Regional Partnerships, Legal & Regulatory Framework, Business and Trade, Disaster Recovery and Statistics were charged to draft a two-year action plan to form part of the Regional Information Society Strategy, which will be submitted for the approval by Ministers responsible for ICT.

TRADE POLICY DEVELOPMENTS

EPA SIGNING DELAYED

The Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) between the European Commission (EC) and the CARIFORUM is to be signed in July 2008. The date was agreed at the Twenty-Sixth Special Meeting of the Council for Trade and Economic Development (COTED) of CARICOM in Antigua and Barbuda on May 10.

The COTED also held discussions on what must be put in place for implementation of the EPA following the road map developed by the CARICOM Secretariat, and agreed on the need to identify national coordinators in each Member State to move the process forward.

The EPA negotiation was concluded last December and Member States of CARIFORUM are in the process of reviewing the text prior to signature.

MARKET NEWS

CDB'S CTCS NETWORK

Micro and Small Enterprises (MSE's) in the Caribbean Development Bank's (CDB) Borrowing Member Countries (BMCs) can benefit from assistance under the CDB's Caribbean Technological Consultancy Services (CTCS) Network. The CTCS comprises an informal partnership with national cooperating institutions (CI's) and NGO's

providing technical assistance and/or funding to individuals, groups and business entities. This assistance is provided in the form of:

- In country training, through workshops and seminars, to address common problems and technical needs;
- Direct hands on interventions by resource persons to assist in solving specific problems faced by individual enterprises; and
- Training attachments to transfer improved managerial and technical skills to MSE's needing to increase efficiency improve product and service quality and enhance their capabilities.

The areas of operation covered by CTCS is not restricted to any particular sectors and span a wide cross section of productive activities such as: agro processing; manufacture of garments, furniture and shoes; production of soft furnishings, ceramics/pottery and straw craft; baking, the services and hospitality sectors, renewable energy, and energy conservation.

For further information on the CTCS contact: Mr. Jerome Singh, Tel: (246) 431-1885, E-mail: singhj@caribank.org. To download the Registration Form click the link below.

[CTCS Registration Form](#)

IADB GRANTS PROGRAMME

The Science and Technology Division of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) is pleased to announce the launch of its grants programme "Innovation for Inclusive Development". The objective of the programme is to foster innovation in products, processes, and services and engender solutions that can improve the quality of life of the majority of people in Latin America and the Caribbean. Up to six grants ranging from US\$30,000 to US\$100,000, will be awarded to selected proposals to develop, test or pilot innovations in the region.

The initiative is opened to all IDB member countries and the deadline for the call for proposals is Friday June 20, 2008 at 5pm. Applications should be submitted to innovation@iadb.org. Additional reading on the initiative can be found on the website www.iadb.org/innovation, where programme guidelines and application forms can be obtained.

WORLD BANK APPROVES OECS CREDIT

The World Bank Board of Directors recently approved three zero-interest credits totalling US\$7.2 million for the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada and St. Lucia to implement an Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) regional e-government integration programme.

The OECS Programme will help harmonize regional e-government frameworks and applications by automating and pooling resources across the region, resulting in time- and cost-savings for governments, businesses and private citizens. It will focus on:

- Public Financial Management
- Tax Administration
- Customs administration
- Government Procurement and
- Health and Other Social and Productive Sectors

PRODUCT NEWS

ACP FILMS PROGRAMME

African Caribbean and Pacific States (ACP) cinema and audiovisual industries will soon benefit from a programme geared to the promotion of cultural diversity, the networking of ACP cultural identities and intercultural dialogue. The ACP Films Programme, financed under the 9th European Development Fund (EDF) to the value of ?6.5 million, sponsors production and distribution activities in the ACP Group of states and European Union (EU) member countries.

The programme's overall objective is to contribute to the development and structuring of the ACP States' cinema and audiovisual industries, so that they can create and distribute their own images more effectively.

For further information on the programme contact: Patrick Brooks, ACP Films Programme, Tel: +32 (0) 2 215 5429, gsm: +32 (0)475 971 945, skype: patrick.brooks, E-mail: patrick@brooks.be, Website: www.acpfilms.eu

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

TECHNICAL ADVISER ON ARCHIVAL MATTERS. The Trinidad and Tobago Ministry of Information is seeking applications for the post of Technical Adviser on Archival Matters. For details on the post please visit the website: www.chrs.gov.bb.

CONCRETE PEDESTALS, plant pots, bird baths, stepping stones, wall and garden ornaments are available. Contact. Mr. Ashley John, Business Manager, Constructive Solutions, Carmichael - St. George, Barbados, Tel (246) 435-5230 Mobile (246) 257-1167, Email: pedestalsandmore@gmail.com.

CANVAS, tarpaulins, tents, canvas bags, waterproofed covers, tote bags, filter cloth, vehicles covers, shopping bags, ribstop fabric, newar (tape) - ropes and webbing are available. Contact: Feroz Ahmed Shamsi, Shamsi Pakistan (Pvt.) Ltd., 705 - Kashif Centre, Shahr-e-Faisal, Karachi - Pakistan., Phone# (92 21) 5661512 & 5661513, Fax # (92 21) 5661514 & 4545481, E-mail: <mailto:shamsi.pk@cyber.net.pk>, Website www.shamsipakistan.com.

SURGICAL AND DENTAL INSTRUMENTS are available. Contact: Mohammad Mustafa, UAMF Industries, 4-College Road, Sialkot-51310, Pakistan, Tel: 0092-52-4604372 Fax: 0092-52-4594806, Mobile: 0092-300-9619311, E-mail: info@uamfind.com, Website: www.uamfind.com

The Caribbean Export Development Agency assumes no responsibility for any liability arising from the pursuit of the opportunities listed above.

UPCOMING EVENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE

1-6 - EXPOCARIBE INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR, SANTIAGO DE CUBA

Interested persons should contact: Cubatur Travel Agency, Ing. Arlene Álvarez Rey, E-mail:

eventos1@cbtevent.cbt.tur.cu, Tel: (537) 206-98.8 / 09, Fax: (537) 206-9807

6-7 AGRICULTURE INVESTMENT FORUM

The Investment Forum is aimed at promoting the Region's potential and attracting investment in the Agriculture Sector and is spearheaded by H.E. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of Guyana, who has lead responsibility for agriculture in CARICOM's quasi-cabinet. The Forum is being held against the background of regional commitment to Strengthening Agriculture for Sustainable Growth and Development in the Caribbean Community, also known as 'The Jagdeo Initiative'. For further details visit www.caricom.org.

SIR SHRIDATH RAMPHAL CENTRE PROFESSIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES

The Sir Shridath Ramphal Centre for International Trade Law, Policy and Services, UWI, Barbados announces the following professional training programmes.

- June 09 - July 04 - maximizing the Potential of the CARIFORUM-EU EPA
- July 07 - 11 - Innovation and Intellectual Property Rights
- July 14 - 25 - Capitalizing the Creative Economy in the CARIFORUM- EU EPA

For further information contact: The Sir Shridath Ramphal Centre for International Trade Law, Policy and Services, UWI Cave Hill, Tel: (246) 417-4805-6; E-mail: src@cavehill.uwi.edu; Website: www.shridathramphalcentre.org.

9 - 10 EXCEPTIONAL PRESENTATIONS SKILLS TRAINING

By far, one of the most valuable skills one can possess in the business world is the ability to communicate clearly and succinctly. This applies not only to communication as it relates to business meetings or sales calls but particularly in the realm of presentation skills. While most business professionals feel comfortable communicating on a personal level, many are deathly afraid to give presentations to larger audiences, regardless of the topic or occasion.

This two-day training program will be held at the University of the West Indies, Barbados and is designed to provide multiple opportunities for participants to learn and practice the most effective presentation techniques available in the field today. For further information on the programme, contact: Karima Lashley, Tel: (246) 435-4925, E-mail: info@summitcaribbeanltd.com

11-12 - THE CARIBBEAN INVESTMENT FORUM 2008

The forum is a high-level event for regional public and private sector leaders and for senior executives representing international organizations active in the Caribbean and will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago. Participants will have the opportunity to learn more about investing in the region and network with some of the top executives operating in the financial sector in the Caribbean.

To request an invitation please click the following link:

<http://www.latinfinance.com/Event.aspx?ArticleID=1899654&LS=CCAAinvite>. The latest agenda can be viewed at www.freelf.com/cif08.pdf. You may also contact the conference director, Matthew Perks, at +1 845 440 7800 if you have any question.

17-18 - WIN-WIN NEGOTIATIONS TRAINING SEMINAR

For further information contact: Account Executive, Tel: 246.435.4925; Mobile:246-236-6399, E-mail:summitcaribbeanltd@gmail.com, Email:info@summitcaribbeanltd.com, Website: www.summitcaribbeanltd.com

19 - 20 THE NEW YORK CONFERENCE ON THE CARIBBEAN (COC)

The Conference will primarily focus on education and investment, as well as facilitate engagement with the Diaspora and will be held in New York City, USA. For further information contact: Mr. McChesney Emanuel, Consul General, Embassy of Antigua and Barbuda, Tel: (646) 215-6040, E-mail: memanuel@abgov.org and Mrs. Valerie Alleyne-

Odle. Programme Manager, Foreign Policy and Community Relations, CARICOM Secretariat, Tel: (592) 222-0165/0164, E-mail: valeriep@caricom.org/ fcr2@caricom.org.

23-27 - FOURTH CARIBBEAN ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM AND EXHIBITION (CEF-4) AND THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL WIDER CARIBBEAN WASTE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

The event will be held at the Grenada Trade centre, Grand Anse, Grenada and seeks to highlight the important interlink among climate change, water and sanitation within the context of Small Island Developing States (SIDS). The theme of this year's forum is "Climate Change, Water and Sanitation: A shared responsibility." For further details contact the CEF-4 Secretariat, Caribbean Environmental Health Institute (CEHI), Tel: (758) 452-2501, Fax: (758) 453-2721, E-mail: cef4@cehi.org.lc, Website: www.cehi.org.lc.

28 - SURINAME FOLKLORE FASHION SHOW 2008

The Suriname Folklore Fashion Show 2008 is a competition of costumes influenced by folklore dresses, based on the transfer and transformation of traditional cultures in Suriname.. For further information contact: Sandra clenem, Ministerie van Onderwijs & Volksontwikwling at Tel: 477231, E-mail: clenem@yahoo.com.

JULY

13-16 - CANTO'S 24TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE & TRADE EXHIBITION & 17-18 - 2ND ANNUAL HUMAN RESOURCE TRAINING & BEST PRACTICES CONFERENCE

The Conference and Expo will be held at the Atlantis, Paradise Island, Nassau Bahamas . For further details contact: Regenie Fräser, Secretary General CANTO, 67 Picton Street, Newtown - Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago - W.I., Tel: 1 868 622 7448/3770/4781, Mobile: 1 868 735 0440, Fax: 1 868 622 3751, E-mail: rfraser@canto.org, Website: www.canto.org

AUGUST

22-31 CARIFESTA X: OUR CARIBBEAN, ONE PURPOSE, ONE CULTURE, OUR LIFE

The tenth edition of CARIFESTA will be staged from August 22-31 in Guyana. The programme of activities includes: the performing arts, exhibitions, concerts and folkloric explorations. For further details of the festival contact: CARIFESTA Secretariat, Ministry of Culture, Youth And Sport Annexe, Guyana, E-mail: info@carifesta.net, Tel: (592)-225-9840, (592)-225-9845, (592)-225-9626, Fax: (592)-226-0501

OTHER EVENTS

JUNE 14 - SEPTEMBER 14 - EXPO ZARAGOZA, 2008

At Expo Zaragoza 2008, you will have 93 days to experience first hand the culture and gastronomy of more than 100 countries. The Expo includes 3,400 shows, unique architecture and an unforgettable party atmosphere every night with people from all over the world. For further information visit www.expozaragoza2008.es

JUNE 16-17 - BUSINESS & DIPLOMATIC PROTOCOL TRAINING SEMINAR

The seminar will be held at Holiday Inn Brussels City Centre, Brussels, Belgium. Civil Servants and Diplomats, International and Regional Organizations Staff, NGO Staff, Protocol Consultants, PR Officers, Special Events Professionals, Corporate Executives and Managers, Human Relations Professionals, Journalists, Translators and those who wish to improve their understanding of protocol in business and diplomacy are invited to attend. For further details contact: The School Of Protocol, Ltd, Celovska 122, 1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia, Tel + 386 1 5057187, Fax + 386 1 5141380

SUMMER TRAINING COURSE: 15TH INTENSIVE SEMINAR ON THE EU, BRUGES, JULY 2008

The Development Office of the College of Europe is launching its "15th Intensive Seminar on the European Union" which takes place in Bruges during the month of July. The seminar offers a choice between three different

programmes:

- the Classic three-week programme : 30 June-18 July 2008
- the Advanced two-week programme: 7-18 July 2008
- the Compact one-week programme: 7-11 July 2008

For further information and to register online for the different programmes, please visit the Intensive Seminar website: <http://is2008.coleurope.eu> or contact: Eveline Buyck, Development Office, College of Europe, Dijver 11, 8000 Brugge - Belgium, Tel: (+32 (0)50 477 314/ Ê +32 (0)50 477 300, BE 0409 518 855, E-mail: ebuyck@coleurop.be

MATTECH 2008

Everyone involved in manufacturing is invited to experience the vast array of technologies and services available at MATTECH. The Expo will be held from August 20-21, 2008, Miami Beach Convention Center, Miami Beach, Florida, USA. This International Material Handling, Manufacturing & Packaging Technology, Logistics and Supply Chain Expo will provide participants with the latest technology and productivity innovations.

Register for free at <http://www.mattech.us> or contact Ian Howard at E-mail: contact@infointermat.com for further information.

EXPO ON TOURISM & TRAVEL

The Expo will create direct interaction between exhibitors and visitors and provides opportunities that will produce new commercial relations, establish contacts and generate business at an international level. The Expo will be held on Sept. 6 & 7, 2008 in New York City. For more information on space rental contact: Ana Russell, President, Expo Turismo International Corp. (ETIC), 405 East 152nd Street, Bronx, NY 10455, Tel. (347) 271-3136, Fax. (347) 271-3137, Mobile: (646) 407-0051, ana@expoturinter.net

WORLD TRADE INSTITUTE COURSE PROGRAMME: SUMMER ACADEMY 2008

The World Trade Institute (WTI) is offering education and training on international trade regulation. The Master of International Law and Economics (MILE) is an intensive one-year programme, which starts again in October 2008. Applications are accepted until 31 March 2008. For more detailed information contact Director of Studies, Pierre Sauvé (pierre.sauve@wti.org) or Deputy Director of Studies, Corinne Karlaganis (corinne.karlaganis@wti.org) or Stefanie Allemann, Summer Academy Fellow, World Trade Institute, Hallerstrasse 6, 3012 Bern, Switzerland, Phone: +41 31 631 3628, Fax: +41 31 631 3630, Email: stefanie.allemann@wti.org

[Click here](#) to update your registration with Trade Watch.

[Click here](#) to forward this newsletter to your friends.

[Click here](#) to unsubscribe if you no longer want to receive the Trade Watch Newsletter.

We are very interested in your feedback; please email your comments to tradewatch@carib-export.com