



CENTRAL BANK OF BARBADOS

Annual Review Seminar 2016

CALL FOR PAPERS

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About the Seminar

Since 1981 the Central Bank of Barbados' Annual Review Seminar has provided a stimulating discussion forum for economists, academics and practitioners in the areas of economics, finance, and related areas.

It is our pleasure to invite you to our 36th Annual Review Seminar, to be held from July 26 – 29, 2016 in Barbados.

Conference Theme

Almost a decade since the genesis of the global economic crisis, Caribbean countries are still grappling with the effects of low growth and fiscal pressures in an uncertain global environment. This year's theme, **"Identifying and Capitalising on the Engines of Economic Prosperity in the Caribbean"**, underscores the reality that transforming viable growth opportunities into sustained economic benefits is critical to ensure lasting prosperity for the Caribbean region.

Papers are welcomed from academics and practitioners in the fields of economics, finance, international trade, or related disciplines. Registration for general attendance will be accepted during the period June 27-July 20, 2016; for more information on general registration, contact eurcil.weekes@centralbank.org.bb, with the subject line: General Registration for CBB ARS 2016".

Conference Fees

There are no fees to be paid. However, overseas participants are asked to cover the cost of their travel and accommodation. Special Rates are being offered by the Conference Hotel, when bookings are made through the Secretariat. A list of accommodation options may be obtained from the Secretariat.

Seminar Topics

This year's conference theme will be examined under the following topics:

- ☞ Diversification Opportunities in Agriculture and Manufacturing
- ☞ The Economic Potential of Renewable Energy
- ☞ Tourism, International Financial Services and International Trade
- ☞ Financial Development and Financial Stability
- ☞ Information Communications Technology and Economic Growth
- ☞ Government Operations and Sustainable Deficit Financing
- ☞ Economic Development and Economic Growth
- ☞ Other Macroeconomic Issues

Other Highlights

- ☞ Practical Workshops
- ☞ Interactive Feedback Sessions

Persons interested in presenting papers on the above-mentioned topics should **submit abstracts by May 20, 2016**, along with a completed registration form. Abstracts should be no longer than 150 words and should identify the relevance and objective(s) of your study, as well as its main findings and conclusions.

Once the abstract is accepted, the full version of the paper must be submitted no later than June 10, 2016.



The Submission Process

Your abstract should be submitted via the link provided.

➔ Submission Link

You can submit your abstract clicking [submission link](#) or going to the Conference page, which is accessible on the Central Bank of Barbados website (www.centralbank.org.bb).

➔ Submission / General Queries

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AFTER THE SEMINAR

- ➔ Papers presented can be considered for inclusion in the Central Bank of Barbados Working Papers series, with valuable feedback given to the corresponding author as part of the peer review process.
- ➔ Papers accepted into the Central Bank of Barbados Working Papers series may be added to the Social Science Research Network (SSRN) database, a worldwide collaborative of over 241,000 authors and more than 1.7 million users to which the Central Bank of Barbados is a registered Submitter.

IMPORTANT DATES

- ➔ May 20, 2016 - Submission of abstracts and registration form
- ➔ June 10, 2016 - Notification of acceptance
- ➔ June 17, 2016 - Submission of full paper
- ➔ June 27-July 20 – General Registration Period
- ➔ June 29, 2016 - Notification of Acceptance of Paper/ Need for Revision
- ➔ July 8, 2016 - Deadline for Final Version of Paper



Venue & Accommodation

[Accra Beach Hotel and Spa](#)

The Accra Beach Hotel and Spa will once again be the venue of the Annual Review Seminar. Located in Worthing, Christ Church on the south coast of Barbados, the conference experience will be enhanced by the hotel's beautifully landscaped grounds, convenient access to the white sands of nearby Accra Beach and nearby shopping and entertainment. The seminar takes place at the end of July, just as Barbados' national Cropover Festival comes to a climax with a



dazzling array of cultural events designed to appeal to a wide range of tastes and lifestyles. Accra Beach Hotel sits on 3.5 acres, and offers 224 contemporary guest rooms and suites. Special Conference rates will be offered when booking through the Seminar Secretariat.