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Geneva Oliverie is currently a Development Specialist with the Caribbean Policy Development Centre (CPDC) where she leads projects related to trade and economic development.

She pursued two separate Bachelor's degrees in Sociology, and Labour and Employment Relations. Her passion for Caribbean development and the completion of the programmes created a strong foundation for her to pursue graduate studies in International Trade Policy at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus.

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Organization in her namesake, Geneva, Switzerland amongst others.

The Trinidadian native has many years of experience working in the field of international trade policy, working both in the public and private sectors, including the banking sector. She has worked as a Trade Analyst for the Ministry of Trade and Industry in her country, as well as a Trade Consultant with the Ansa McAl Group of Companies.

She has represented the region at numerous policy platforms, shedding light on the sustainable development needs of the Caribbean region. She continues to advocate for solutions to regional developmental concerns.

Geneva is especially passionate debt and its impact on small island developing states and its marriage to climate change. Much of the Caribbean depends on tourism and farming for revenue, which is highly vulnerable to climate risk and disasters. In her work at CPDC, she has created a Regional sub-committee of civil society organizations focused on issues of climate change and advocacy of same. She hopes to drive solutions to this existential threat with her work.

Geneva not only travels for work, but she is also an avid recreational traveller.