



MESSAGE FROM INTERNATIONAL KEYNOTE SPEAKER

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Welcome to the **International Conference on Emerging Trends in Engineering & Technology (*IConETech-2020*)** in Trinidad and Tobago. This is a special event that provides opportunities for sharing technical expertise and first-hand knowledge of the latest development trends and innovations in the emerging area of the 21st century.

This unique conference brings together people who are passionate about innovation. An important part of continuous improvement motivates all of us to work together and this conference provides opportunity to talented students, educators and industry leaders. Fundamentally, ***IConETech-2020*** is about sharing and connecting with participants who are dedicated to this objective fundamentally.

The theme of this conference reminds us that the world is changing rapidly- and that we must be ready to adapt. Global competitiveness in in STEM field had been never been more crucial than it is today. Today, business environments increasingly require engineers who can design and deliver to customers not only basic design, but complete products and solutions involving complex integrated systems. Product design is no longer solely concerned with the design of a manufactural product, it also focusses on innovation, entrepreneurship and services that will benefit individuals and society. With the important need of an interdisciplinary approach to resolve the issues, the goal of the conference is to provide a platform to researchers in varied disciplines to attain the highest sustainable economic growth and employment and a rising standard of living, while maintaining financial stability nationally and globally. The conference addresses wide ranging issues starting from advances in petroleum sector and, includes sustainable development, intelligent systems, manufacturing, Industry 4.0 and covers areas in I.T. and engineering education.

Many thanks to all the experts and delegates attending ***IConETech-2020***. I am also grateful to the sponsors for their support. I really applaud the leadership of the Faculty of the Engineering, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine for their dedicated service towards the organization of this important conference. I encourage you to take full advantage of your participation. I wish you a purposeful and comfortable stay at the University of the West Indies, Trinidad during ***IConETech-2020***