



## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR SCHOOL FOR GRADUATE STUDIES & RESEARCH

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The School for Graduate Studies & Research, UWI, St. Augustine is extremely delighted to note the release of a Book of Abstracts coinciding with the Faculty of **Engineering's International Conference on Emerging Trends in Engineering & Technology (*IConETech-2020*)** to be held from March 13<sup>th</sup> through 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

The objective of this Conference is to bring together many disciplines to promote science, technology and engineering concepts, as well as entrepreneurship and economic sustainability in an attempt to emphasize the interdisciplinary approach of resolving contemporary issues. There is an immediate need for increasing such awareness among the practising professionals in multiple disciplines.

I am confident that the research papers to be presented in this Conference will comprise a lot of local research undertaken in the subject matter.

I wish the Conference organizers and the Faculty of Engineering every success and also implore them to take science and engineering in the Caribbean to newer heights.