



## CTU ICT Week 2026 - French Guiana

### CTU Network of Women (CTU-NoW) Leadership Seminar

THEME: Women Leading Resilient, Inclusive and Innovative Caribbean Digital Development

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2026

#### Provisional Agenda

| TIME  | ITEM                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | SPEAKER                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 09:00 | Welcome & Introduction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Ms. Francola John</b><br>Stakeholder Engagement Specialist; and Coordinator, CTU Network of Women                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 09:05 | Opening Remarks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>Dr. Maria Myers-Hamilton</b><br>Managing Director, Spectrum Management Authority, Jamaica and Chair of CTU Network of Women                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 09:15 | Address:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>Hon. Marie Lucienne Rattier</b><br>Territorial Councillor<br>Collectivité Territoriale de Guyane                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 09:25 | Keynote Address:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Dr. Cosmas Zavazava</b><br>Director, BDT - ITU                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 09:40 | Feature Address: <i>Women at the Forefront of Caribbean Digital Transformation</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>Her Worship Sandra Trochimara</b><br>Mayor of Cayenne                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 10:00 | Coffee Break and Group Photo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 10:15 | <p>Panel 1: <b>Women Shaping the Caribbean's Digital Future: Leadership, Policy and Global Influence</b></p> <p><b>Key Discussion Areas:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Women at the decision-making table:</b> How do we move beyond participation towards meaningful leadership and influence in ICT policy?</li> <li>• <b>Resilience and digital trust:</b> What role do women and girls play in an era of cybersecurity threats, climate vulnerability and rapid technological change?</li> <li>• <b>Caribbean influence globally:</b> How can women leaders strengthen the Caribbean voice at international digital policy fora?</li> <li>• <b>Regional and International collaboration:</b> How can networks such as CTU-NoW create stronger partnerships among women policymakers, regulators and industry leaders? (CITEL, ITU, ATU etc.)</li> </ul> | <p><b>Moderator: Mrs. Nicole Watkins,</b><br/>Vice Chair CTU-NoW</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hon. Marie Lucienne Rattier</b><br/>Territorial Councillor – CTU</li> <li>• <b>Ms. Ria Karim</b><br/>Chairwoman – iGovTT</li> <li>• <b>Mrs. Michelle Grell-Bereaux</b><br/>ITU NoW Advisory Board Member - Caribbean</li> <li>• <b>Ms. Rebecca Siber</b><br/>Regional Director, Orange en Guyane</li> </ul> |
| 11:15 | <p>Panel 2: <b>From Participation to Leadership: Building the Caribbean's Future Digital Workforce</b></p> <p><b>Key Discussion Areas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What skills will women need to compete and lead in an AI-driven economy?</li> <li>• Developing women entrepreneurs and technology founders.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p>Moderator: <b>Ms. Vashti Maharaj</b></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ms. Nathaly Carolina</b><br/>DataAxis</li> <li>• <b>Ms. Catherine Hinkley</b><br/>Amazon</li> <li>• <b>Ms. Mariana Royer</b><br/>Founder &amp; CEO - Biostrategie</li> <li>• GSMA</li> </ul>                                                                                                                       |



## CTU ICT Week 2026 - French Guiana

|       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                           |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
|       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Engaging girls and young women early enough to develop a sustainable ICT/STEM talent pipeline.</li><li>• Creating opportunities for women from rural, remote and underserved communities.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sponsor</li></ul> |
| 12:15 | WRAP UP AND NEXT STEPS                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Dr. Maria Myers-Hamilton</b><br>Chairwoman – CTU-NoW   |
| 12:30 | END OF CTU-NOW LEADERSHIP SEMINAR                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                           |