

GCCI Newsletter

THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE GEORGETOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY



President's Address



Dear readers, welcome to GCCI's October e-newsletter.

For the month of October, our biggest event held was the Women in Business Cocktail Mixer that was hosted in commemoration of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. It was an honour to meet and interact with women in the business community who are survivors of breast cancer.

Further, the GCCI, partnered with the Caribbean Development Bank (CBD) would have launched its "Improving Quality Standards of Agro-Processors Through Training" Project. A step in the right direction to assisting SMEs.

I hope you have fun reading this month's edition.

What can you find in this Month's Newsletter?



August month in review



Who became members in August?



Save the Dates!



Member-Company Feature

GCCI's Month in Review

The GCCI met with a delegation of businessmen from India



The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI) met with a delegation of businessmen from India who were interested in exploring opportunities for business in Guyana. His Excellency, David Pollard, Guyana's High Commissioner to India, accompanied the delegation.

GCCI met with representatives of the Liberty & Justice Party

The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry met with the member of the Liberty & Justice Party on October 10th, 2019. The aim of the meeting was to discuss the party's developmental goals for Guyana.



GCCI met with the Board of Directors of Texila American University



The Executive Director of the The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry met with the Board of Directors of Texila American University (TAU) on October 11th, 2019. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the opportunity to raise awareness about the university's Bachelor's and Master's in Business Administration programmes.

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GCCI partners with T&T Business Etiquette and Protocol Specialists Limited (TTBEPS)

The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI) partnered with T&T Business Etiquette and Protocol Specialists Limited (TTBEPS) to host a seminar titled "Guyana's Customer Service Strategy" on October 15th, 2019.



Head of the European Union Delegation, H.E Fernando Ponz Canto and Deputy Head of Delegation, Philippe Coessens met with GCCI



The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry met with Head of the European Union Delegation, H.E Fernando Ponz Canto and Deputy Head of Delegation, Philippe Coessens on October 15th, 2019. The intent of the meetings were to discuss matters pertaining to Guyana's governance, the state of political affairs, trade relations and areas for collaboration.

GCCI's Month in Review

Launch of the "Improving Quality Standards of Agro-Processors Through Training" Project



The GCCI and the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) hosted a press conference to launch the "Improving Quality Standards of Agro-Processors Through Training" Project on October 17th, 2019. The Executive Director, the CTCS Liaison Officer and representatives of the CDB also met with the GTA, The Tourism Hospitality Association of Guyana (THAG) and the Guyana Office for Investment (GOInvest). The project will build capacity, increase standards and certification, improve labelling and packaging and provide technical support to at least 20 firms in the agro-processing sector.

GCCI signs MoU with NOIA

The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Newfoundland & Labrador Oil & Gas Industries Association (NOIA) as part of a mutual effort to promote the development of projects and trade in sectors of common interest related to the Oil and Gas industry and Petroleum development. The MoU was signed at a reception hosted by GO-Invest at the Umana Yana on October 21st, 2019 by Mr. Timothy Tucker, Senior Vice-President of the GCCI and Mr. Mark Collet, Chairman for NOIA.



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The GCCI met with with Mr. Joao de Almeida, Consultant contracted by Finance Ministry



The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI) met with Mr. Joao de Almeida, a consultant contracted by the Ministry of Finance to develop a strategic plan for the introduction of e-Government procurement (eGP) in Guyana. The plan is a part of the Public Procurement Modernisation and Public Financial Management Strengthening Programme, financed by the IDB.

The GCCI met with with Brazilian Company, Grupo Bringel

The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI) met with Grupo Bringel, a Brazilian distributor of health products and equipment on October 22nd, 2019. Grupo Bringel had expressed an interest in investing in Guyana. Grupo Bringel's specific business interests relate to hospital waste treatment, safe medical waste disposal, home health care, sterilization of hospital equipment, delivery of healthcare solutions through outfitted mobile units, among others.



GCCI's Month in Review

The GCCI- Green Committee met with Dr. Patrick Chesney



Members of the Green Economy Committee met with Dr. Patrick Chesney, Coordinator of the Guiana Shield Facility. The Committee expressed its interest in forming a close working relationship with Dr. Chesney in order to further the development and preservation of Guyana.

The GCCI- Guyana-India Trade Facilitation Council met with Indo-Caribbean Society

Members of the Guyana-India Trade Facilitation Council met with representatives of the Indo-Caribbean Society to explore areas of collaboration.



Event of the Month

GCCI's Women in Business Cocktail Event

The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry on October 18th, 2019 would have hosted its first ever event for women in business. The cocktail style event was named “Connecting Women in Business”, and as the name suggests, scores of women attended, showcasing their brands, and networked with other women entrepreneurs. Given that this month is designated Breast Cancer Awareness month, most of the women were clad in pink attire, showing their support for the cause. The event was held at the Pegasus Hotel Guyana. This initiative was undertaken by the GCCI's Membership Committee.



Chairperson of the Membership Committee, Ms. Macaela Cameron was the MC for the Event



The Chamber Welcomes You On Board!

As of October, 2019 the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry would like to take the opportunity to welcome its newest members:

1. Global Compliance Service
2. Sonic Business Services
3. Pulse Entertainment
4. CMA CGM Guyana Inc.
5. Camille's Academy
6. Hits & Jam Entertainment
7. Wel tii Lifestyle TV
8. BDO Professional Services Inc.
9. Island Produce Export Inc.
10. DAFFAS
11. Poulsat- GY
12. Bridged Inc.
13. Professional Training Employment & Consultancy Service
14. DNA Enterprise
15. Ezone Logistics
16. B Cosmetics Beauty World
17. Falcon Logistics

Save the Date!



THE GEORGETOWN
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AND INDUSTRY

TICKET COST:
\$15,000

GALA & AWARD DINNER

THEME: **GUYANA | "READY FOR THE FUTURE"**

DATE: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2019

COCKTAIL: 6:30PM | GALA: 7:30PM

VENUE: GRAND BALLROOM, GUYANA MARRIOTT HOTEL

DRESS CODE: FORMAL

GUEST SPEAKER:



The Most Honourable
PORTIA SIMPSON-MILLER, O.N.
Former Prime Minister of Jamaica

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Business Feature for the Month

NICK'S PHONICS CENTRE

The doors of Nick's Phonics Centre were opened on August 31st, in 2015, to assist children in elevating their literacy skills in Guyana. After relocating to accommodate more students comfortably in an area that is safe and accessible to private and public transportation, the school began to blossom. Their teaching services include learning: Phonics, Spelling, Reading, Writing, Composition Skills, Comprehension Skills, Grammar, Vocabulary, Science, Social Studies, Mathematics and Information Technology. The GCCI commends its member- Nick's Phonics Centre!



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