

# OFFSHORE TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE 2024



**06-09**  
**May 2024**

**NRG Stadium, NRG Pkwy, Houston, TX 77054, USA.**  
**BOOTH 4424 | HALL A**





I am thrilled to report that the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI) has wrapped up yet another successful year at the annual Offshore Technology Conference held at the NRG Stadium in Houston, Texas, under the theme "Leading the Global Energy Evolution".

This year's theme resonates profoundly with Guyana's evolution as an energy leader. Since the discovery of oil and gas, we have made significant progress in developing our resources responsibly and strategically, positioning Guyana as a key player in the global energy evolution. The OTC provided an invaluable platform for showcasing Guyana's journey and emergence as a significant player in the global energy landscape. Our participation not only highlighted the strides we have made but also underscored our commitment to continue our knowledge building on energy innovation and sustainability.

This year the GCCI once again had the esteemed honour of organising and leading Guyana delegation to the global annual event which ran from May 6 - 9. The GCCI officially opened the Guyana Pavillion on May 6. This year the GCCI was able to field over 40 delegates to the Conference, affording business professionals an unparalleled opportunity to take part in a number of public and private events throughout the duration of the Conference. This included a tour of Partnership Towers, where an address on 'Houston Energy Overview' was presented by Senior Director of the Greater Houston partnership, Ms. Sara Malik, while President and CEO of Center for Houston's Future, Mr. Brett Perlman spoke on 'Accelerating the Development of a Texas and Gulf Coast Clean Hydrogen Ecosystem'.

The Delegation also took part in a presentation by the US Exim Bank, a dinner by the Bilateral Chamber of Commerce, a tour of the Lindsayca/CH4 Houston Facility, the Exxon Mobil Diaspora event, a Guyana Night Reception hosted by Guyana's Consul General to Houston, Mr. Hassan Lufti, the Alberta Networking Reception and the Around the World Series Panel.

The GCCI also had a meeting with Chief of Police of Houston, Mr. Troy Finner, while the Guyana Delegation was given an official recognition and welcomed to the Houston Mayor, Mr. John Whitmire.

Throughout the conference, I was given a platform to reiterate the Chamber's call for collaboration among stakeholders and emphasized the need for continuous growth and innovation. Collaboration, innovation, and strategic partnerships will be instrumental as we continue to navigate our evolving energy landscape and capitalize on the opportunities it presents.

Looking ahead, the Chamber will continue to play a pivotal role in educating and empowering our members, advocating for advancements in digitization and e-commerce practices to enhance efficiency and competitiveness in our business landscape.

Our continued attendance at this marquee event keeps offering a significant opportunity for our members capacity development and demonstrates the business sector's commitment to contributing to Guyana's continued development in the global energy sector. The OTC undoubtedly left an indelible mark on all those who attended, providing valuable insights and networking opportunities. I want to emphasize the importance of this event in showcasing Guyana's potential and attracting investments that will contribute to our economic growth and prosperity.

On behalf of the Chamber I would like to express gratitude to all the exhibitors and enthusiastic delegates who came on board to be part of the knowledge gaining expedition. Your collective efforts have not only elevated Guyana's profile but have also opened doors to new partnerships and opportunities on the global stage. I am confident that the connections made and knowledge shared during the conference will lead to fruitful collaborations and opportunities for our country.

As we reflect on our achievements at the OTC, let us remain steadfast in our commitment to excellence and continuous improvement. The Chamber of Commerce stands ready to support our members and the broader business community in realizing our collective vision for a prosperous and sustainable future.



# OTC 2024

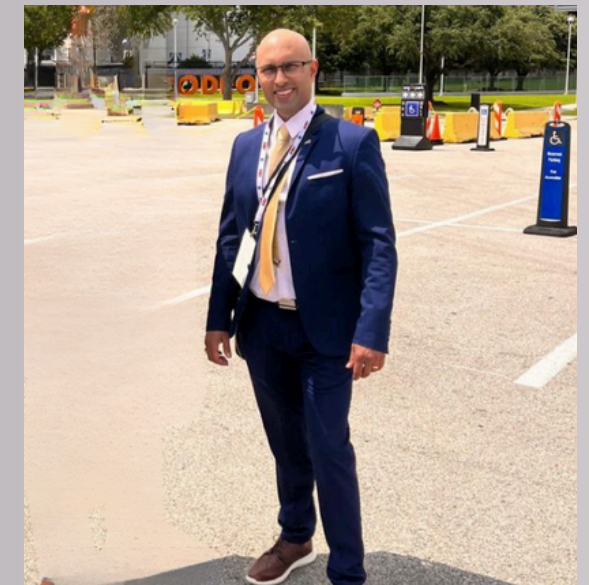


“This year was my first time at OTC and it was such a great experience. The team from GCCCI kept us informed and helped throughout the way. I met with a lot of persons in many different industries, and we were able to garner some prospective clients and even met with some old clients. I learned a lot both personally and professionally and would like to thank the GCCCI for making this possible through their partnership.”

– Sandrina Narine, Chief Operating Officer, HAB International Inc.

“The experience at OTC was great, the energy and atmosphere were electric as usual. I appreciated how well-organized the mission was, there were back to back activities, including various meetings and tours. The Booth looked fantastic and the GCCCI staff were very helpful. I would certainly continue to participate as it has helped my business to grow by being there and being a part of the mission.”

– Nicholas Deygoo, Director, Guyana Oil and Gas Support Services Inc



“Attending the Offshore Technology Conference was an illuminating introduction to the extensive upstream and downstream activities within the oil and gas industry. The conference provided exposure to a variety of round-table sessions, conferences, and exhibitors, offering a firsthand look at how such events are organized and executed. Being physically present at the conference facilitated easier introductions and enabled valuable connections and insights, enhancing my understanding of the industry's dynamics and its latest innovations.”

– Marlon George, Director, Guyana Payroll Solutions Inc

“Participating in the Offshore Technology Conference 2024 was an unparalleled experience. As an exhibitor, being part of the conference and exhibition allowed us to tap into a wealth of resources, knowledge, and connections. The Guyana Pavilion was a great platform for showcasing our capabilities, and networking with key players in the sector. The pavilion served as a focal point for engagements and facilitation of meaningful discussions and connections that could lead to partnerships. Our experience was truly a great one thanks to the diligent efforts of the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry. We look forward to future opportunities to collaborate and contribute to Guyana’s continued development.”

– Ray McLean, Operations Manager, Panthera Solutions Inc



“Being at the OTC provided an invaluable platform for networking with industry leaders, exchanging insights on emerging trends, and exploring potential collaborations. Personally, attending the conference enabled me to gain deeper insights into innovative technologies shaping the oil and gas sector, fostering meaningful connections with professionals from around the globe, and showcasing Guyana's growing presence in the industry. The knowledge gained and relationships forged during the event are poised to contribute significantly to the growth of my business in particular and Guyana’s development and prosperity in general.”

– Delmar Walcott, Managing Director, Pinnacle Solutions Inc.



## GCCI OPENS BOOTH AT OTC

One May 6, the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI), held a ceremonial ribbon cutting and officially opened its booth at the esteemed Offshore Technology Conference (OTC), being held at the NRG Stadium in Houston, Texas. The GCCI organised the Guyana Delegation to the global annual event which ran from May 6 - 9. The GCCI booth was located at 4424 Hall A.

Delivering remarks at the opening ceremony, GCCI President, Mr. Kester Hutson, encouraged participants to capitalise on the vast opportunities that the Conference presented for them to network, get exposure, and learn as much as possible about what is happening outside of Guyana. Other GCCI Executives delivering remarks at the opening ceremony included Senior Vice President, Mrs. Kathy Smith, GCCI Secretary, Mrs. Melisa McRae-George, and Ex- Officio member, Mr. Richard Rambarran. Remarks were also delivered by Chief Investment Officer of the Guyana Office for Investment (GolInvest), Dr. Peter Ramsaroop, Guyana's Honorary Consul General in Houston, the Honorable Lutfi Hassan, and Senior Commercial Officer to the U.S. Embassy in Guyana, Mr. Daniel Gaines.





## GUYANESE DELEGATION VISITS PARTNERSHIP TOWER

The Guyanese Delegation to the 2024 Offshore Technology Conference visited Partnership Tower on May 6. During the visit an address on ‘Houston Energy Overview’ was presented by Senior Director of the Greater Houston partnership, Ms. Sara Malik, while President and CEO of the Center for Houston’s Future, Mr. Brett Perlman, spoke on ‘Accelerating the Development of a Texas and Gulf Coast Clean Hydrogen Ecosystem’.

Partnership Tower is a prominent skyscraper located in the heart of downtown Houston, Texas, which serves as the headquarters for the Greater Houston Partnership, a business organization focused on economic development in the Greater Houston area. The tower is a 41-story building that stands out in the Houston skyline and is known for its modern architecture and impressive design.

Partnership Tower builds a memorable experience for visitors as an introduction to Houston. It has been designated as Houston’s “front door” for visiting dignitaries and business leader visiting the Greater Houston Partnership. The Greater Houston Partnership brings together businesses, government entities, and community leaders to collaborate on initiatives related to infrastructure, workforce development, innovation, and overall economic prosperity for the region.





DAY ONE



Executives of the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCCI) on May 6 paid a courtesy call on Houston Chief of Police, Mr. Troy Finner

GCCI EXECUTIVES MEET WITH VAN OORD

GCCI Executives met with Dutch maritime contracting company, Van Oord on the sidelines of the Offshore Technology Conference on May 6 The meeting saw discussions on Guyana's local content and business development.

Van Oord is part of a consortium, with Subsea 7, which was awarded a contract for the construction of the offshore pipeline and accompanying infrastructure of the Gas-to-Energy Project in Guyana. The consortium scope covers the project management, engineering, and installation of approximately 190 kilometres of natural gas pipeline in water depths up to 1,400 metres, including crossing the seawall onshore. The pipeline runs from the Liza field in Guyana's offshore Stabroek Oil and Gas Block to an onshore natural gas fired powerplant.

Van Oord is a global marine contractor with 150 years of experience, that includes over 185 projects in over 35 countries.



HOUSTON MAYOR WELCOMES GUYANESE OTC DELEGATION

On May 6, the Guyanese Delegation to the 2024 Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) was recognised and given an official welcome by Mayor of the City of Houston, Texas, Mr. John Whitmire.

Also on that day the Guyanese Delegation participated in a private dinner hosted by the Bilateral Chamber of Commerce. The members of the Guyanese Delegation were able to meet with a huge pool of investors and potential business leads in Houston.





## DAY ONE

## GCCCI EXECUTIVES MEET WITH MODEC

Executives of the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry met with MODEC, a leading provider of floating production systems for the offshore oil and gas industry, at the GCCCI OTC Booth. Also present at the meeting was Minister within the Ministry of Public Works, the Honourable Deodat Indar.

MODEC is the company currently conducting the engineering, procurement, and construction of the floating production, storage and offloading (FPSO) vessel destined for Guyana's Uaru project in the Stabroek Block, approximately 200 kilometers offshore Guyana. The FPSO is to be called the Errea Wittu. The FPSO will be MODEC's first for use in Guyana, however it will be the 18th FPSO/FSO vessel delivered by MODEC for use in South America. to collaborate on initiatives related to infrastructure, workforce development, innovation, and overall economic prosperity for the region.





DAY ONE

GUYANESE DELEGATION ATTENDS GUYANA NIGHT RECEPTION HOSTED BY CONSUL GENERAL

The Guyanese Delegation to the Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) in Houston, Texas, on Monday, May 6, attended the Guyana Night Reception hosted by Guyana’s Honorary Consul General of the Southwest United States, the Honorable Lutfi Hassan.





DAY TWO

GUYANESE DELEGATION TOURS LINDSAYCA/CH4 FACILITY

The Guyanese Delegation participated in a tour of the Lindsayca/CH4 (LNDCH4) Houston facility. Representatives of the US Embassy in Guyana were also present for the tour.

LNDCH4 is a joint venture between US companies CH4 and Lindsayca, formed to undertake Guyana's monumental Gas-to-Energy project. LNDCH4 Guyana was awarded the US\$759 million contract in November 2022 to construct the GTE Project, which will feature a 300-megawatt (MW) Power Plant and an integrated Natural Gas Liquids (NGL) facility. The facility is being constructed in Wales, West Bank Demerara.

LINDSAYCA is an international company which specializes in integrated hydrocarbon solutions to the energy industry, while CH4 is an Engineering, Procurement, Construction (EPC), project management, operation and maintenance group of companies, with extensive experience in the areas of the electric power, oil, gas, petrochemical, mining and infrastructure.

Delivering remarks at a closing reception for the tour, GCCI President, Mr. Kester Hutson, spoke about private sector's support for the Gas-to-Energy Project, and optimism that LNDCH4 presence in Guyana will be fruitful and collaborative.





DAY TWO

GUYANA NIGHT AT THE RICE

The Guyanese Delegation attended 'Guyana Night' hosted by the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCl) in the Crystal Ballroom at The Rice, Texas Avenue.





DAY THREE

AROUND THE WORLD PANEL

– “Guyana’s Emergence as a Regional Energy Powerhouse and its Expansion into the Global Oil Marker”

President of the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI), Mr. Kester Hutson, delivered remarks on Wednesday, May 8, at the 'Around the World Series Panel' Discussion at the Offshore Technology Conference 2024 in Houston, Texas.

The session was held under the theme 'Guyana’s Emergence as a Regional Energy Powerhouse and its Expansion into the Global Oil Marker', and saw Mr. Hutson underscored that Guyana's expansion into the global oil market represents a historic opportunity for the nation to achieve prosperity, sustainability, and inclusive growth.

Other speakers at the forum included GCCI's Mr. Richard Rambarran, President of ExxonMobil Guyana, Mr. Alistair Routledge, Minister within the Ministry of Public Works, the Honourable Deodat Indar, and Chief Investment Officer of the Guyana Office for Investment, Dr. Peter Ramsaroop.





## DAY THREE

### US EXIM BANK MAKES PRESENTATION TO THE GUYANA DELEGATION

The Guyana Delegation at the Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) attended a presentation by representatives from the US EXIM Bank. The presentation was facilitated by US EXIM Bank Regional Director, Mr. Eric Miller.



### MEETING WITH CANADIAN TRADE REPRESENTATIVE AT GUYANA BOOTH

Assistant Deputy of Trade with the Government of Alberta, Ms. Jennifer Jabs, met with Guyanese representatives at the Guyana Booth. Ms. Jabs portfolio includes international trade policy and strategy, export development and expansion, and global investment attraction.

Ms. Jabs has been with the provincial government for about 20 years and has extensive experience leading and implementing stakeholder engagement initiatives and major policy projects. This includes leadership of projects across government, including large-scale legislative and stakeholder engagement for municipal, health, and energy policies and legislation.

Jennifer has a Master of Science in Resource Economics and a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science, both from the University of Alberta.

