All Panel Sessions will be held in Lab1 Department of Geography & Geology.

Monday 7th July

2.30pm-5.00pm  Registration: Department of Geography & Geology

6.00pm  Opening Ceremony: Physiology Lecture Theatre

- Professor David Barker: Opening Remarks and Introduction
- Professor E. Nigel Harris, Vice Chancellor, UWI: Welcoming Remarks
- Professor Gordon Shirley, Principal, Mona Campus: Welcoming Remarks
- Professor Ishenkumba Kahwa, Acting Dean, Faculty of Pure & Applied Sciences, Mona Campus: Welcoming Remarks

- Keynote Address: Dr Leonard Nurse, CERMES, Cave Hill Campus: “The climate is changing: Is there any truth to the rumour?”

8.00pm  Reception at the Senior Common Room: Sponsored by Caribbean Cement Company Limited

Tuesday 8th July

8.30-10.30am  Panel Session 1: Foundations

- David Barker: Foundations and Directions: through the eyes of an agricultural geographer.
- Trevor A. Jackson: Graduate research in geology at The University of the West Indies.
- Margaret Wiggins-Grandison & Paul Williams: The development and present status of seismic research in Jamaica, West Indies: 1989 to present.
- Eleanor Jones: Discovery learning, talent management, systems application and leadership: a search for Mona geography graduates.
- L. Alan Eyre: Caribbean Geography at the University of the West Indies, Mona and the International College of the Cayman Islands: from dream to fulfilment.

10.30-11.00am  Coffee Break: Sponsored by the Petroleum Corporation of Jamaica

11.00am-1.00pm  Panel Session 2: Coastal Environments

- Junior Darsan: Tidal cycles and beach dynamics at Cocos Bay, eastern Trinidad.
- David J. Miller & Andrew G.M. Pearson: Beach dynamics and shoreline change on a carbonate beach: Manatee Bay, St. Catherine, Jamaica.
• Shakira A. Khan & Simon F. Mitchell: Coastal retreat in south-east Jamaica: hurricanes and storms as driving mechanisms.

• Linda Johnson-Bhola: Dying a slow death: the Fiddler sanctuary at Epsom-Eversham seashore, Corentyne, Berbice, Guyana.

2.00-3.15pm Panel Session 3: Urban Geography

• Kevon Rhiney, Rivke Jaffe & Cavell Francis: Contested spaces, contesting identities? Graffiti, space and power in Kingston, Jamaica.

• Ramona Dabee-Johnson: Urbanism in Anna Regina, Guyana.


3.15-3.45pm Tea Break: Sponsored by the Petroleum Corporation of Jamaica

3.45 -5.45pm Panel Session 4: Geotectonics and Earth Resources of the Caribbean

• Grenville Draper: The tectonic birth of the geographically unique Caribbean.

• Trevor A. Jackson, Peter W. Scott and A.R. Butcher: Pumice deposits of Dominica and St. Lucia: their petrology and industrial minerals use.

• Ryan Ramsook & Simon F. Mitchell: Ichnology and Paleogeography of the Richmond Formation, Wagwater Belt, eastern Jamaica.


• Florin Ionica: Telemetered multichannel system for geophysical cable.

Wednesday 9th July

Field Excursion: The Highway 2000 Construction: Spanish Town to Ocho Rios Leg
Depart from Department of Geography and Geology at 8.00am
Cost: JS2000 or US$30: Book at Registration

Thursday 10th July:

Recent Developments in Disaster Risk Reduction

9.00-10.30am Opening Remarks, Introduction and Keynote Address

• Franklin McDonald: Opening remarks and Introduction

• Keynote Address: Jennifer Worrell, UNDP: “Seizing the early recovery window: an opportunity for addressing
unresolved development issues and reducing disaster risk”.

10.30-11.00am Coffee Break: Sponsored by the Petroleum Corporation of Jamaica

11.00am-1.00pm Panel Session 5

- Cassandra Rogers: Indicators of disaster risk and risk management: applications in Jamaica and Trinidad & Tobago.
- Rafi Ahmad & Parris Lyew-Ayee Jr: Flooding-related disasters on engineered roads in Jamaica.
- Kwame Emmanuel: Towards an integrated approach for water resources management in Barbados: an analysis of domestic demand and public perception.

2.00-3.30pm Panel Session 6

- Edward Robinson: Coastal Hazards: Preparing for the future.
- Lloyd Lynch & Richard Robertson: A Tsunami Warning System for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions: Progress of its Implementation and Benefits to Regional Disaster Risk Reduction Programs.
- Jasmine Waite: Rational business decisions or absorbable risks? An assessment of how experience and perceived vulnerability influence implementation of hurricane mitigation strategies in the Jamaican tourism industry.
- Rafi Ahmad: Flooding processes in small-scale drainage basins.

3.30-4.00pm Tea Break: Sponsored by the Petroleum Corporation of Jamaica

4.00-4.45pm Panel Session 7: GIS Mapping

- Wendel Abel, Sharon White & Parris Lyew-Ayee: Geoanalysis of the homeless population using digital technology.

6.30pm Conference Fete: 1 Long Mountain Close, College Common: Hosted by the Jamaican Geographical Society and the Geological Society of Jamaica

Tickets on Sale at Registration

Friday 11th July
9.00-10.30am  Panel Session 7: Agricultural Geography

- Clinton Beckford: *Experiences of migrant Jamaican farm workers in south-west Ontario, Canada: Geographical Perspectives.*
- Donovan Campbell, David Barker & Duncan McGregor: *Dealing with drought: small farmers and environmental hazards in southern St. Elizabeth.*
- Thera Edwards: *Agricultural experimentation, expansion and extension in the Blue Mountains, Jamaica, 1860-1990.*

10.30-11.00  Coffee Break: Sponsored by the Petroleum Corporation of Jamaica

11.00am-12.30pm  Panel Session 8: Directions (Postgraduate Research)

- Shenika Anakay McFarlane: “One Good Thing about Music”: *Local Production and Tourist Consumption of City Soundscapes- The Case of Kingston, Jamaica.*
- Seema Kadir: *The imprint of historical labour divisions on the ethnic composition and political affiliations of residents on public housing schemes in Trinidad.*
- Robert Kinlocke:  *Spaces of Fear and Identity: Gated Communities in the Kingston Metropolitan Area.*

Closing Remarks: Dr David J. Miller, Conference Chair

2.30pm  Field Excursion: Palisadoes and Port Royal
Depart from Department of Geography and Geology at 2.30pm