

# GAC-SDEC PROJECT- THE UWI OPEN CAMPUS NEWSLETTER



*The SDEC Project Steering Committee Meeting Participants at the Hilton, Barbados, April 23, 2018.*

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## SDEC PROJECT SHOWCASE, HILTON, BARBADOS – APRIL 23 & 24, 2018

REPORTS WERE PRESENTED TO AND APPROVED BY THE PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE





PARTICIPANTS DINED IN STYLE AND ENJOYED  
GREAT CONVERSATION





**AWARDS WERE PRESENTED FOR HARD WORK AND LONG AND  
DEDICATED SERVICE**





**THEY DANCED, THEY CONVERSED, THEY THANKED DONORS**





## SDEC PROJECT GUESTS WERE ENTERTAINED



## OPEN CAMPUS PRIMARY ENTERPRISE SERVERS - DATA CENTRE IN MIAMI, USA



*Primary Enterprise Server Data Centre housing all the Software Operational Systems for the Open Campus. This is particularly important because of the Region's vulnerability to natural disasters.*



**STUDENT GRADUATIONS FROM SDEC FUNDED COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP,  
ACADEMIC AND ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES**

## SDEC PROJECT ACHIEVEMENTS ON OUTPUTS

- 393 computer workstations, peripherals and network application upgrades implemented at 29 Open Campus Sites
- 23 academic programmes and 247 courses completed; 37 Continuing and Professional Education programmes and 120 courses completed; 3 community leadership and development programmes and 12 courses completed; one enhancing organisational productivity programme completed, two women and development courses and one MPhil/PhD programme and eight courses in child, adolescent and youth studies developed
- 100% of Faculty and Technical staff trained in online pedagogy and technology
- PLA courses for advanced placement and matriculation developed
- OER Portal launched
- Gender sensitive marketing strategies implemented, Website redesigned, E-newsletters and journals improved, 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary research and learning cruise launched
- New Business processes to improve student, staff, other stakeholder services, and backup data centre implemented
- Improved records management and digital and physical library services
- Improved quality assurance and diversification of funding sources
- Improved human resource management, leadership and change management, ICT physical infrastructure maintenance
- Conceptual designs to green Open Campus Sites and establish Centres of Excellence developed
- Sustainability efforts integrated into The UWI-wide Strategic Plan and mandates
- Resilient response from students and community after the destruction wreaked by Hurricanes Irma and Maria in September 2017





## LEADERS TRAINED IN:

Strategic leadership, change management, physical infrastructure maintenance, research/publication and marketing, work-life balance, customer service excellence and library information systems

RESILIENCE

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*Open Campus Staff and members of the public restore the Dominica Site to a state of readiness to serve students, mobilise and distribute relief supplies.*





## **DESTRUCTION:**

Images from the Commonwealth of Dominica

## **DIVERSITY IN STUDENT ENROLMENT**



# PHYSICAL FACILITIES UPGRADED

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## THE OPEN CAMPUS MAYARO SITE IN TRINIDAD & TOBAGO



## JAMAICA SITES: Upgraded With Partner Contribution from Universal Service Fund (Jamaica)





## INCREASED PUBLICATIONS & PROGRAMME PROMOTIONS



**UPCOMING FEATURE:** Conceptual Designs for the development of Centres of Excellence at select Open Campus Sites and improvements to business processes due to the Banner Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System in the next issue of The SDEC Project News Letter... LOOK OUT!!!



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