



**REGIONAL PROJECT FOR IMPLEMENTING NATIONAL BIOSAFETY FRAMEWORKS IN THE
CARIBBEAN SUB-REGION**

**SENSITISATION WORKSHOP ON BIOSAFETY FOR BORDER CONTROL OFFICERS
GUYANA MARRIOTT HOTEL GEORGETOWN, BLOCK ALPHA, BATTERY ROAD, KINGSTON,
GEORGETOWN, GUYANA**

16-17 AUGUST 2016

PROGRAMME

DAY 1: TUESDAY 16 AUGUST 2016

- 9:00 – 9:15 Registration
- 9:15 – 9:30 Opening session
- Welcome remarks
- Mr. Kemraj Parsram, Director, Management Compliance Division, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
 - Dr. Michelle John, Regional Project Manager, Regional Biosafety Project
- 9:30 – 10:15 Introduction to biosafety and biotechnology, David Gopaulchan, Consultant, UWI, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago
- 10:15 – 10:30 Discussion
- 10:30 – 11:00 COFFEE BREAK**
- 11:00 – 11:45 Regional Project for Implementing National Biosafety Frameworks in the Caribbean Sub-Region, Michelle John, Regional Project Manager, UWI, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago
- 11:45 – 12:00 Discussion
- 12:00 – 12:45 Status of biosafety in the Caribbean region, Michelle John, Regional Project Manager, UWI, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago
- 12:45 – 13:00 Discussion
- 13:00 – 14:00 LUNCH**

- 14:00 – 14:45 Introduction to the Cartagena Protocol, Fred Phillips, Lawyer, Biosafety and Climate Change Adviser, Barbados
- 14:45 – 15:00 Discussion
- 15:00 – 15:45 The role of customs and border control officers in the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol, Fred Phillips, Lawyer, Biosafety and Climate Change Adviser, Barbados
- 15:45 – 16:00 Discussion

END OF DAY 1

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 17 AUGUST 2016

- 9:00 – 9:45 Proposed 'best-fit' administrative model for the Caribbean region, Michelle John, UWI, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago
- 9:45 – 10:00 Discussion
- 10:00 – 10:30 COFFEE BREAK**
- 10:30 – 11:15 Basic concepts in risk analysis: assessment, management and communication, Fred Phillips, Lawyer, Biosafety and Climate Change Adviser, Barbados
- 11:15 – 11:30 Discussion
- 11:30 – 12:15 Risk communication, Michelle John, Regional Project Manager, UWI, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago
- 12:15 – 12:30 Discussion
- 12:30 – 13:30 LUNCH**
- 13:30 – 14:15 GMO detection methods, David Gopaulchan, Consultant, UWI, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago
- 14:15 – 15:00 Discussion
- 15:00 – 15:45 Biosafety legislation, Teni Housty, Attorney-at-Law, Mediator and Legal Consultant, Guyana
- 15:45 – 16:00 Discussion
- 16:00 – 16:30 Workshop summary

END OF DAY 2

