# TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO'S COCOA INDUSTRY Useful Contact Information

The following companies are instrumental in providing information and/or assistance to entrepreneurs in Trinidad and Tobago's cocoa industry.

## Cocoa Development Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (CDCTTL)



CDCTTL's mission is to empower stakeholders by leading and facilitating the development of the fine or flavour cocoa sector in an efficient, innovative, and transparent manner to increase production whilst ensuring adherence to international standards of quality, leading to improved value and a globally recognized brand. (web extract)

Address: 16 Mulchan Seuchan Rd, Chaguanas Tel: (868) 671 1001 Fax: (868) 672 2559 E-mail: info@cdcttl.co.tt For more information on CDCTTL, please visit their Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/cocoadevelopmentcompanytt/

## Cocoa Research Centre – UWI, St. Augustine Campus, Trinidad and Tobago



The Centre offers research-based solutions to the challenges affecting cocoa stakeholders. The demand for assistance has fueled their award winning EU-ACP project entitled The International Fine Cocoa Innovation Centre. This new innovation Centre is a technical hub which, in the near future,

will corral all existing services to deliver a variety of dynamic, flexible training courses; genetic and chemical analyses, as well as certification services. In addition, the state of the art test kitchens and business incubators will also produce a range of cocoa-based products for sale, to serve as beacons of excellence; inspiring a new generation of small and large business entrepreneurs. (*Extract from website*)

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### Cocoa Research Unit, Research Division of the Ministry of Agriculture, Land & Fisheries



The Unit is responsible for the research and development of cocoa and provides information on its work in genetic material enhancement, development of T&T hybrids and lends support to training and extension work with farmers.

Address: Caroni Northbank Road Tel: (868) 642 9272

#### **European Union sponsored funds**

• **Erasmus+** - The European Union's programme to support projects, partnerships, events and mobility in the areas of education, training, youth and sport.



Delegation of the European Union to Trinidad and Tobago Office: 5th Floor, 11 Queen's Park East, Port of Spain 101002 Phone: (868) 235-6453 Email: karen.sheppard@eeas.europa.eu Web: <u>https://eeas.europa.eu/delegations/trinidad-and-tobago\_en</u>

• Innovation Funding – The goal of the 'Shaping the Future of Innovation program' is to create a business environment that drives competitiveness and a more diversified economy in a socially and environmentally sustainable way.



Contact: Caribbean Industrial Research Institute (CARIRI) Address: The University of the West Indies Campus, St. Augustine Tel: (868) 299 – 0210 Email: <u>stfoi@cariri.com</u> Web: <u>https://future.cariri.com/</u>



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#### exporTT Limited



Funding for investment projects may be accessed through some of the financing options available at exporTT Limited:

- Co-financing
- Research and Development Facility (RDF)
- Grant Fund Facility
- International Certification Fund (ICF)

Address: exporTT Head Office: 151B Charlotte Street, Port of Spain Tel: (868) 612-3988 Fax: (868) 625-8126 Email: <u>info@exportt.co.tt</u> Web: <u>www.exportt.co.tt</u>

#### International Cocoa Genebank, Trinidad (ICGT)



The **ICGT** is one of the world's most diverse, public collections of cocoa plant material, and was designated a Universal Collection by Bioversity International (Formerly IPGRI - International Plant Genetic Resources Institute). In the past, access to this plant material by international scientists was pivotal in supporting many

global cocoa breeding programmes. Today, the collection continues to support the cocoa industry, in a future of uncertainty in food security and climate change. *(website extract)* 

Tours of the Genebank are available. It is located on a 100-acre site at Centeno.

Contact the Cocoa Research Centre's office: Tel: Direct Line: (868) 662 8788 E-mail: info@cocoacentre.com

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#### The National Agricultural Marketing and Development Corporation (NAMDEVCO)



**namdevco** NAMDEVCO is a statutory body with a mandate to "to create, facilitate and maintain an environment conducive to the efficient marketing of agricultural produce and food products through the provision of marketing services and the stimulation of business investment in the agro-industrial sector of Trinidad and Tobago." (website extract)

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