



**Sargassum Symposium 2 – Convened by the Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations in association with The University of the West Indies
at the**

3Ws Pavilion, University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus

21-22 November 2018

AGENDA

Wednesday, 21 November 2018

Time	Activity	Facilitator/Presenter
0830 - 0855	Registration	FAO/CERMES
Opening		
0855 - 0900	Welcome	Dr. Janice Cumberbatch Centre for Resource Management and Environmental Studies - CERMES
0900 - 0910	Opening Remarks	Dr. Iris Monnereau Food and Agriculture Organisation-FAO
0910 - 0920	Remarks	Dr. Patrick McConney The University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus -UWI
0920 - 0940	Address	The Honourable Kirk Humphrey Minister of Maritime Affairs and Blue Economy
0940 - 0950	Video presentation on the impacts of sargassum	BlueGreen Initiative
0950 - 1010	COFFEE BREAK/ PHOTO OPPORTUNITY	
Overview of what we know and don't know, and want to do		
1010 - 1020	Sargassum ecological aspects and source of influx	Professor Hazel Oxenford - CERMES
1020 - 1030	Socio-economic impacts of sargassum on fisheries	Mr. Mitchell Lay Caribbean Network of Fisherfolk Organisation
1030 - 1040	Understanding the monster among us	Mr. Stephen Willoughby – Chief Fisheries Officer, Barbados
1040 - 1050	Socio-economic impacts of sargassum on tourism	Mr. Paul Doyle- The Crane Resort

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1050 - 1100	Potential uses of sargassum: a global review	Ms. Carla Daniel - FAO
1100 - 1110	Caribbean Seaweed Industry	Mr. Mark Hill- Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies (SALISES)
1110 - 1120	Sargassum impacts in West Africa: Senegal to Nigeria	Dr. Kafayat Adetoun Fakoya - Lagos State University
1120 - 1210	Panel and participants discussion on ways forward	Dr. Janice Cumberbatch - CERMES
1210 - 1310	LUNCH	

Good practices for managing sargassum influxes

1310 - 1320	A sargassum story: A tale of horror and hope (Video presentation)	Ms. Carla Daniel - FAO
1320 - 1335	Best practices for responding to a sargassum influx	Ms. Emma Doyle Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries institute (GCFI)
1335 - 1350	Sargassum outlook bulletin for the Caribbean	Dr. Shelly-Ann Cox – CERMES
1350 - 1405	How Caribbean fishers can cope with Sargassum	Ms. Richeda Speede – CERMES Barbados Fisher
1405 - 1440	Small group discussion: Sargassum outlook bulletin; handbook for fishers, sharing practices and lessons learned	

Innovative uses, products and marketing

1440 - 1530	Panel Presentations:	
	Extraction and Characterization of Alginate from Sargassum	Dr. Srinivasa Popuri - UWI
	Sargassum as a fertilizer for plants	Dr. Francis Lopez- UWI
	Algas Total Plant Tonic	Mr. Johanan Dujon- Algas Organics Limited
	The Student Entrepreneurial Empowerment Development (SEED) Program: Sargassum Hack	Ms. Ayanna Young Marshall - UWI
	Q & A	
1530 - 1550	COFFEE BREAK	
1550 - 1625	Small group discussion: sharing practices and lessons learned	
1625 - 1630	Closing Remarks and Day 2 Preview	Dr. Janice Cumberbatch - CERMES



Thursday, 22nd November 2018

Time	Activity	Facilitator/Presenter
0900 - 0915	Recap of and reflections on Day 1	Dr. Janice Cumberbatch - CERMES
Plans for managing sargassum as a hazard and as an opportunity		
0915 - 1000	Outlining plans for sargassum management by the public and private sectors as well as by civil society	Dr. Patrick McConney - CERMES Mr. Kareem Sabir - CERMES
1000 - 1100	Small group discussion: Sharing practices and lessons learned	
1100 - 1115	COFFEE BREAK	
Communication needs		
1115 - 1135	UN Environment Programme on the sargassum influx in the Wider Caribbean : Regional survey and SPAW-RAC Sargassum online forum	Dr. Sandrine Pivard- United Nation Environment Programme- Caribbean Environment Programme (UNEP-CEP)
1135 - 1150	Opportunities for improving inter-agency communication and coordination	Mr. Johnson JohnRose - CTO
1150 - 1230	Small group discussion: Additional communication products tailored to stakeholder needs	Dr. Iris Monnereau - FAO
1230 - 1245	Next Steps and Closing Remarks	Dr. Janice Cumberbatch - CERMES
1245 - 1330	LUNCH	