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BIOGRAPHIES

Sen. Hon. Dr. James Fletcher: Minister for Public Service, Sustainable Development, Energy, Science and Technology



Dr. Fletcher is presently the Minister of the Public Service, Sustainable Development, Energy, Science and Technology in the Government of Saint Lucia in the Caribbean. Prior to his inauguration as Minister (2011) he served in various capacities: as Managing Director at Soloricon Ltd; Director, Social and Sustainable Development at the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Secretariat; Cabinet Secretary to the Cabinet of the Government of Saint Lucia; Permanent Secretary at Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

His Specialties include: Public policy, Agriculture policy, Policy Analysis, public administration, Strategic Planning, rural development, environmental management, human and social development, Capacity Building, sustainable development, Project Management, Climate Change, Qualitative Research, Data Analysis, International Development Government, Governance Diplomacy International Relations.

Dr. Fletcher holds a B.Sc. (Hons.) in Biochemistry from the University of Ottawa (1986) and a Ph.D. in Plant Physiology from the University of Cambridge (1990) and is versed in French.

Cleveland Thomas: ITU Area Representative, Caribbean Office BDT/AMS/AO



Effective August 14th, 2011 Mr. Cleveland Thomas was appointed the ITU Representative for the Caribbean. Prior to this appointment Mr. Thomas was the CEO for the State Enterprise, National Information and Communication Technology Company Limited (Trinidad and Tobago). He also held the post of National Chief Information Officer (NCIO) for the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

As NCIO and CEO, Cleveland was chartered with the responsibility to implement the Government's Vision for development: improvement in health care, education, computers for students, commerce, transport, security et cetera, through technology. Mr. Thomas brings a wealth of ITU experience. He was Trinidad and Tobago's representative at the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) for over 14

years and sat as the Caribbean region's representative at the ITU Council. He chaired a number of Study Groups, Rapporteur Groups and was TAL's chairman. He also made presentations to government officials in Russia, the Caribbean, Fiji, Botswana and Zimbabwe.

Cleveland is a Certified Accountant having obtained his designation in the United Kingdom and also possesses a Master's Degree in Information and Communication Technology for Regulations and Policies from the University of the West Indies (UWI).

His strongest position he says, is his faith in Christ. If you had tuned into 98.1 FM Radio Trinidad between the hours of 5.00 a.m. to 6.00 a.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays this would have been his voice praying.

Esperanza Magpantay: Senior Statistician, ICT Data and Statistics Division, ITU/BDT



Ms. Esperanza Magpantay is the Senior Statistician of the ICT Data and Statistics division (IDS) of the ITU, where she has been working since December 2000. She is responsible for the collection and dissemination of ICT statistics particularly through the Yearbook of Statistics, World Telecom/ICT Indicators Database and the ICT Eye. Ms Magpantay takes part in the coordination of the work of the ITU Expert Group on Telecom/ICT Indicators (EGTI) and the ITU's representative at the Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development and its Steering Committee. Before joining ITU she worked for 7 years at the International Labour Office (ILO) in Geneva as a statistical officer. She has a degree in Statistics from the University of the Philippines.

Ivan Vallejo: Market Analyst, ICT Data and Statistics Division, ITU/BDT



Ivan Vallejo Vall is Market Analyst at the ICT Data and Statistics division (IDS) of the International Telecommunication Union's Telecommunication Development Bureau. He works in the collection and dissemination of ICT statistics, with a particular focus on data from administrative sources. He participates as market analyst in the drafting of the analytical reports produced by the ITU IDS division – such as the Measuring the Information Society report – and in the methodological publications on administrative sources – such as the ITU Handbook for the Collection of Administrative Data on Telecommunications/ICT. He takes part in the organization of the ITU Expert Group on Telecommunication/ICT Indicators (EGTI) and in its discussions. Before joining ITU he worked in the Spanish telecommunication regulator, the National Markets and Competition Commission. He holds Engineering degrees in Telecommunications from the *Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Télécommunications* (ENST) in Paris and from the *Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya* (UPC) in Barcelona.

Sylvester J. Cadette: Programme Officer, Caribbean Office BDT/AMS/AO; ITU ICT Indicators Focal Point for the Americas



Sylvester is the Programme Officer appointed to the ITU Area Office based in Bridgetown Barbados from 1st March, 2013. He is also ITU's Focal Point for ICT Indicators in the Americas. He, inter alia, coordinates, monitors, implements, give support to and conducts Programme, project and product evaluations and monitors advancements in the field of Telecoms & ICT.

Prior to the ITU Sylvester served as Director of Telecommunications and Advisor to the Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica for fifteen (15) years and helped shape Dominica's domestic and regional Telecommunications policy at senior policy levels both nationally and regionally. He was also a member of the five-member Project Implementation Committee (PIC) in the World Bank funded OECS Telecoms Reform Project and was one of the key contributors to the formulation of the unique ECTEL/NTRC regulatory structure. As Impress Administrator in the EU funded SFA 2005 ICT Development Programme he oversaw the implementation of ICT Policy and E-Business Strategy Development & Awareness and Leadership Development; Legislative and regulatory framework; Capacity-Building, Enhancing Skills Base of Work Force, Business-oriented E-government initiatives, Business Skills Development and E-Business Incubation in Dominica.

Sylvester is a Dominican national and holds a Master's of Science degree in Telecommunications and broadcasting from the Ukrainian State Telecommunications Academy and speaks fluent Russian.