

2020 Island Resilience Action Challenge (IRAC 2020)
December 17th | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM EST

Preliminary Agenda

10:00 - 10:15 AM

Opening Remarks & Orientation

- **HG Chissell**, CEO, Advanced Energy Group
- **Matthew Perks**, CEO, New Energy Events
- **Cletus Bertin**, Executive Director, CARILEC

10:15 – 10:25 AM

Co-Host Welcome Remarks

- **Matthew Straub**, First Secretary (Development) & Alternate Canadian Director to the Caribbean Development Bank, Global Affairs Canada
- **Diana Wilson Patrick**, Vice President (ag.), Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)

10:25 - 11:15 AM

IRAC 2020 Speaker Challenge

Four regional leaders take the stage to present, over the course of five slides and eight minutes, what they perceive to be the single biggest hurdle to grid resilience on islands.

- **Dr. Marsha Atherley-Ikechi**, Director of Utility Regulation, Fair Trading Commission (FTC) – Barbados
- **HE Vince Henderson**, Ambassador to the United States and the OAS – Dominica
- **Fernando Padilla**, Deputy Executive Director of Operations, PREPA – Puerto Rico
- **Jeane Nikolai**, Director of Energy, The Government of Bermuda

11:15 - 11:35 AM

Q&A and Voting

Which critical obstacle will we focus on at IRAC 2020? Clarifying questions, and then the group votes.

11:35 AM - 12:00 PM

Group Discussion

12:00 - 2:00 PM

BREAK

2:00 - 2:10 PM

Welcome Back & Breakout Challenge Instructions

- **HG Chissell**, CEO, Advanced Energy Group

2:10 - 2:20 PM

2019 Task Force Update: Caribbean Blended Finance Fund for Resilience

Last year's Taskforce has made great strides towards the creation of a dedicated fund for resilience. Did the team accomplish enough to win the 2020 IMPACT Award? Your vote will decide.

- **Racquel Moses**, CEO, Caribbean Climate-Smart Accelerator
- **Chris Straughn**, Sustainable Energy Analyst, Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)

2:30 - 3:15 PM

Breakout Room Challenge

Cross-sector teams in breakout groups develop 12 month solutions, with quarterly milestones, to this year's critical obstacle.

3:15 - 3:30 PM

Breakout Room Presentations

Discussion leaders pitch their team's solution to all IRAC participants.

3:30 - 3:45 PM

Q&A and Voting

Clarifying questions and then participants vote on the winning solution.

3:45 - 4:00 PM

Taskforce Formation

Top two teams move forward to the taskforce challenge. As an IRAC participant, you can step up and join a winning Taskforce to compete for the 2021 IMPACT Award.

4:00 PM + 30 additional minutes for networking (optional)

Closing Remarks