Workshop on e-Government Best Practices

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Why this workshop?

- To support the undertaking of e-government political commitments in the region
- To provide continuity to previous efforts done by other organizations collaborating in this event
- To review the status of e-Government in the region
- To consolidate a network of e-government leaders in the Caribbean region
Who are the participants?

• Top positioned government representatives from your respective countries appointed by your government to participate as leaders of e-Government in your countries

• Those that manage the day-to-day of e-Government in your countries

• In general, one or two levels below the Minister in the organizational chart of your government Agency.
Structure and objectives of the workshop

• Three sections:
  • Caribbean e-Government references
  • Latin American references
  • e-Government horizontal cooperation

• The cases exposed

• Participation

• Interaction
Objectives of the workshop

- To update the participants on e-Government advances in the region
- To connect the Caribbean region to Latin America in the area of e-Government
- Strengthen the cooperation spirit among the participants
- To define ways to materialize that cooperation spirit: RED GEALC
RED GEALC

- Network of e-Government Leaders from Latin America and the Caribbean
- As of today: 40 members from 18 countries
- www.redgealc.net
- Supported by OAS, ICA and the IDB (we are in negotiations with the World Bank)
- The result of LA countries’ demands related to horizontal cooperation
- Combines virtual and in-person collaboration
Services offered are in perfectly aligned with the Caribbean e-Government initiative:

- Internet-based portal equipped with content management functionalities
- Abundant e-Government information classified by country and topic
- Virtual discussion forums
- Technical training to public employees (currently 36 government officials are being trained online)
- The portal has an online classroom
- Database of experts (200 will be added next month)
- FOCOH – Horizontal Cooperation Fund
- Organizes on-site workshops such as this one in Trinidad and Tobago
PLANS AHEAD

• To integrate all Caribbean countries to RED GEALC

• To facilitate a closer relationship among the Caribbean countries and between them and the Latin American one

• To gather all Latin American and Caribbean countries in Canada by the end of the year to learn from Canada’s achievements on e-Government

• To participate in “Foro Gobierno Digital” at Innova 2005 in Mexico, to know about Mexico’s e-Government success

• To start implementing an initiative to promote collaboration among RED GEALC member countries in 4 specific areas
Thank you

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