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AI for Caribbean Sustainability. The AI Revolution is Here. Will the Caribbean Lead or Be Left Behind?

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A year ago, something **extraordinary** happened.
Under the golden Caribbean sun, on the **ocean-view terrace of Hodges Bay Resort & Spa, the future of AI in the Caribbean was born.** The air was electric — **policymakers debated, researchers unveiled breakthroughs, and innovators forged connections that would reshape the region.**

It wasn't just another conference. **It was a movement.**

But now, **the stakes are even higher.**

The world isn't waiting. AI is already reshaping diplomacy, climate action, justice, and economic power. Every breakthrough widens the gap between those who control AI — and those who don't.
The Caribbean stands at a crossroads: will we lead in AI, or will we remain spectators as the future is written by others?

The 2nd Annual UWI Five Islands AI Conference isn't just about ideas — **it's about taking action before it's too late.**

What To Expect At The 2025 Conference

This is where **bold minds come together, new strategies are forged, and AI-driven solutions take shape.**

High-Impact Keynotes & Plenary Sessions

- **AI for Foreign Policy – Will Data-Driven Diplomacy Reshape Global Power?**
  Wars are no longer just fought on battlefields—they're fought with **algorithms and AI-driven strategy.** Will AI diplomacy prevent crises, or become the ultimate tool of control?

- **AI for Sustainability – Can AI Save the Caribbean from Climate Collapse?**
  The Caribbean is on the frontlines of **climate disaster. AI could be our greatest weapon** — but will we invest in it fast enough to make a difference?

- **AI and the Circular Economy – How AI is Eliminating Waste and Creating Billion-Dollar Green Markets.**
  AI isn't just reducing waste—it's **rewriting the global economy**. Will the Caribbean seize this trilliondollar opportunity or remain an afterthought?

- **The Ethics and Governance of AI – Who Controls AI, and Who Gets Left Behind?**
  Power is shifting from nations to those who control AI. Will ethical safeguards be established in time, or are we on **the brink of an AI-driven hierarchy**?

AI in Education & Workforce Training – The Caribbean's AI Talent Pipeline: Are We Ready or Falling Behind?

The AI revolution **isn't coming—it's here.** Will the Caribbean **produce AI innovators**, or become dependent on foreign technology?

AI for Justice & Governance – Can AI Fix Broken Justice Systems or Will It Reinforce Inequality?

AI is already **predicting crimes and automating court decisions —** but is it making justice fairer or **amplifying systemic bias at scale?**

Hands-On Innovation & Networking

This isn't just a conference — **It's a launchpad for the Caribbean's AI future.**

- **AI in Oceanography & the Blue Economy –** AI's role in marine resource protection and fisheries.
- **Energy-Efficient AI –** Will AI save the planet or accelerate its destruction?
- **AI for Decision-Making –** Hands-on workshops in governance, crisis response, and finance.
- **Student Robotics & AI Competitions –** The next generation of Caribbean AI leaders showcase their talent.

A Conference Experience Like No Other

Opening Ceremony at Hodges Bay Resort & Spa – The Caribbean meets AI innovation.
AI Innovation Exhibitions – Showcasing the latest AI breakthroughs.
Lime on the Greens Closing Reception – Where ideas become collaborations.

Why This Matters Now

AI **isn't optional anymore** — it's the **defining factor of the 21st century**.
If we don't claim our place in AI, someone else will decide our future.
If we don't build AI talent, our brightest minds will leave.
If we don't regulate AI now, the rules will be written without us.

Last year's conference **ignited a movement** — this year, we decide **whether the Caribbean will be a leader or a bystander in AI's next chapter.**

This is our moment. Are you reAIdy?

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The University of the West Indies, Five Islands Campus, Antigua

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