



# Technology & Educator's Conference

**August 20 - 22, 2015**

**Jamaica College Auditorium, 189 Old Hope Road, Kingston 6, Jamaica**



The Zed-Makeyla Technology & Educator's Conference will provide all sectors with engaging and inspiring presentations from technology partners - Epicor Business Solutions, RenWeb School Management Software and Flow / LIME. The themes for the three day conference are:

- ◆ August 20th - “Using Technology to improve performance in Businesses and Schools” (NB: JCC President Warren McDonald will chair this panel)
  - ◆ August 21st - “Transformation of Education using Technology”
  - ◆ August 22nd - “Parent’s Day”

There is need for a cultural shift towards embracing technology in our businesses and our schools with informed parents. For this purpose the conference is expected to bring together school administrators and faculty, parents and businesses in one forum. The aim is to create an atmosphere in which technology users can collaborate and learn from each other and where educators, and the public and private sector can be part of the discussions.

Participants who are parents will benefit from the event, as it will provide an opportunity to participate in a session which will showcase how they can interact with their children’s school records in real-time.

For more information or to register online visit [zedmakeyla.com](http://zedmakeyla.com). You can also visit [Zed-Makeyla-Technology-Education-Conference](http://Zed-Makeyla-Technology-Education-Conference) or Tel: (876) 880 3301, (876) 632 9693, (876) 632 6693 for further details on the conference.

**BUREAU OF STANDARDS CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON DRAFT JAMAICAN STANDARDS**

The Bureau of Standards Jamaica has provided the Jamaica Chamber of Commerce (JCC) with copies of Draft Jamaican Standards, to be made available to its members for their comments and feedback. The following drafts are available for interested companies who wish to review them and submit their comments:

1. DJS 330:2015 - Draft Jamaican Standard Specification for Inverters, converters, controllers and interconnection system equipment for use with distributed energy resources
2. DJS 112: Part 1: 2015 - Draft Jamaican Standard Methods for Sampling and testing of mineral aggregates, sands and fillers - Part 1: Sampling of Aggregates
3. DJS 112: Part 2: 2015 - Draft Jamaican Standard Methods for sampling and testing of mineral aggregates, sands and fillers - Part 2: Reducing samples of aggregate to testing size
4. DJS 112: Part 4: 2015 - Draft Jamaican Standard Methods of sampling and testing of mineral aggregates, sands and fillers - Part 4: Determination of particle size distribution
5. DJS 310: 2015 - Draft Jamaican Standard Application Document for the International Existing Building Code
6. DJS 308: 2015 - Draft Jamaican Standard Jamaica Application Document for the International Property Maintenance Code.

**IMPORTANT: The period for public comments will end on 05 October 2015.**

These draft standards were prepared by a technical Committee comprising a wide cross section of stakeholders. They are being issued for public comment in keeping with the procedure for the promulgation of national standards.

**All comments regarding the Draft Jamaican Standards are to be sent directly to The Executive Director, c/o Vonetta Nurse Gayle, Standards Development and Certification Department, Bureau of Standards Jamaica, 6 Winchester Road, Kingston 10 or email: [info@bsj.org.jm](mailto:info@bsj.org.jm).**

Companies wishing to receive a copy of the draft standards listed above may contact Melisha Douglas at the JCC Secretariat Tel: (876) 922-0150 or email: [pa@jamaicachamber.org.jm](mailto:pa@jamaicachamber.org.jm) to request a soft copy. Hard copies will also be made available for a small fee.

**Our deepest condolence on the passing of Mr. Henry Rainford**

The Executive and Directors of the JCC take this opportunity to express their deepest condolence to the family and friends of Mr. Henry Rainford who passed away on August 9, 2015. Mr. Rainford was the Chairman and CEO of the Jamaica Livestock Association (JLA).



## Invitation to Participate in Trade Mission to Canada September 28 to October 2, 2015

JAMPRO invites your company to participate in an **outgoing Trade Mission to Canada**, scheduled for **September 28 to October 2, 2015**. This Mission, which will take place in Toronto, is **targeting manufacturers and exporters in the agro-processing and fresh produce sectors**.

With a food import bill of CDN\$35,264.6M in 2014, the Canadian market provides a lucrative opportunity for Jamaican exporters. Hence, this Mission forms part of the wider thrust by JAMPRO, to facilitate market penetration and sustainable growth of non-traditional exports to Canada.

JAMPRO has planned a programme of activities which will include a networking forum, mini displays, business-to-business meetings, visits to retailers and the Grocery Innovations Canada Show. **Participation cost is US\$600 (excluding airfare or accommodation).**

To express your interest to participate, please complete the Expression of Interest (EOI) Form at: [Canada-EOI-FORM-2015](#) and **return by Friday, August 21, 2015** to Lakeda Linton Charles at [llcharles@jamprocorp.com](mailto:llcharles@jamprocorp.com).

JAMPRO looks forward to facilitating your participation in this Mission.

## Trinidad & Tobago Inward Buyers Mission - InBuyTT Session October 14 - 16, 2015 - Trinidad and Tobago

**ExportTT Limited** in Trinidad and Tobago has sought the assistance of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade in Jamaica in obtaining a list of Buyers/Importers/Distributors (by sectors) for its **Inward Buyers Mission 2015 - InBuyTT Session** which will be held from **October 14 to 16, 2015** in **Trinidad and Tobago**.

Buyer's missions around the world are at the core of sound strategy for increasing export promotion and sales in a market. These events provide a world of opportunity, aiming to promote economic growth, strategic alliances and international contacts of the highest level. Buyer's missions are in fact well positioned events in the global arena and in the mind of international buyers.

ExportTT will select a number of Buyers/Importers/Distributors and invite them to meet with its exporters in the margins of the *InBuyTT* session. If your company would have an interest in being included on this list, please visit: [www.inbuytt.com](http://www.inbuytt.com).



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### Capacity Development Grant - Call for Projects 2015/2016

The Development Bank of Jamaica (DBJ) is offering Capacity Development Grants for projects to be undertaken to improve the Micro, Small and Medium Sized Enterprise (MSME) sector through Institutional Strengthening (IS) or Technical Assistance (TA).

Institutional Strengthening projects are structured to increase efficiency, improve corporate governance, profitability and sustainability. Technical Assistance projects are designed to facilitate job creation, investments and increased access to finance.

For further details please click the link: <http://dbankjm.com/content/capacity-development-grants-call-projects-20152016> or contact Ann-Marie Minott-Williams, Marketing Assistant/Business Advisory Information Officer, Marketing Unit, EXIM Bank Jamaica at Tel: (876) 630-1400 or [info@eximbankja.com](mailto:info@eximbankja.com).

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER...SAVE THE DATES

- ◆ **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** - Tues., September 22, 2015 - Knutsford Court Hotel. All members are encouraged to attend.
- ◆ **SEMINAR ON FINANCIAL SERVICES LEGISLATION** - Thurs., September 24, 2015 - Knutsford Court Hotel. Collaboration with Jamaica Financial Services Authority (JIFSA) & Myers, Fletcher & Gordon.
- ◆ **ANNUAL CUSTOMS SEMINAR** - Thurs., September 24, 2015 - Jamaica Pegasus Hotel. Review of Customs operations and activities at Jamaica's ports.
- ◆ **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** - Tues., September 29, 2015 - Venue to be advised. Members are invited to attend.

### For information on upcoming JCC events please contact:



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