





**Progress Report on the Development
of DevInfo, Consideration of a
Regional Template and the
Presentation of CARICOMInfo**

**34th MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF
CARIBBEAN STATISTICIANS (34th SCCS)
GROS ISLET, SAINT LUCIA
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OVERVIEW

- About DevInfo
- Objectives
- CARICOM Work plan in DevInfo
- Status of Implementation
- Consideration for a Regional Template
- Brief presentation of CARICOMInfo



ABOUT DEVINFO

- DevInfo is a **harmonising tool** for storage, exchange and dissemination of data on human development.
- DevInfo is an integrated **desktop** and **web-enabled** tool.
- The application is integrated with Microsoft Office for easy presentation of data in **tables, graphs and thematic maps**.



OBJECTIVES

The Implementation of DevInfo in the Region seeks to:

- **Strengthen capacity** in the National Statistical Systems to produce and disseminate information that are relevant and timely;
- **Improve** the quality and coverage of information; and
- Enable a **standardised** and routine mechanism for information exchange using DevInfo.



CARICOM 2009 WORKPLAN IN DEVINFO

•DEVINFO TRAINING/TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE VISITS

- User Application
- Administration Application

•PROCUREMENT OF EQUIPMENT AND SERVERS

- Computers
- Servers

•DEVINFO REGIONAL TRAINING WORKSHOP



STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION

- CARICOM received funding from UNICEF for activities related to the enhancement of DevInfo
- CARICOM/CDB/UNICEF meeting on the Implementation of the DevInfo Dissemination Software in the Region in January 2009. The Objectives were:
 - To share experiences of Member States who are in the process of implementing the use of DevInfo;
 - To assess the implementation support required by Member States desirous of implementing DevInfo; and
 - To communicate possible support available from development partners.



STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION (cont'd)

- Presentations were made by Jamaica, Saint Lucia, Dominica, Trinidad and Tobago, Barbados and CARICOM on their adaptations and lessons learnt during the process and by UNICEF on the now released **DevInfo version 6.0**.
- Participants also discussed the support required by their country for the commencement of the implementation or the expansion of DevInfo in their country



STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION (cont'd)

- **The OECS Secretariat** was trained in DevInfo versions 5.0 and later in 6.0 and is scheduled to launch OECSInfo.
- **Grenada** was trained in DevInfo 6.0.
- **CARICOM Regional DevInfo v6.0 Training Workshop for the Caribbean** in collaboration with UNICEF
- **Training Workshop on CensusInfo** in collaboration with UNSD, UNFPA and UNICEF



STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION (cont'd)

- **DevInfo** presented to Ministries and Government Offices at **Advocacy for Statistics** event in **Anguilla**
- **Dominica** to receive Technical Assistance for their Web adaptation of the DevInfo.
- **St. Kitts and Nevis** to receive training in DevInfo 6.0 in November 2009.
- **St. Vincent and the Grenadines** to receive Technical Assistance towards the launch of their adaptation.



STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION (cont'd)

- **CARICOMInfo** web adaptation launched during Caribbean Statistics week.
- **GuyD_Info** launched on Caribbean Statistics Day.





CONSIDERATION OF A REGIONAL TEMPLATE

- Analysis of the current DevInfo Adaptations in the CARICOM Region;
- Challenges relative to the **harmonization** of the datasets in the regional adaptation (CARICOMInfo);
- A Regional Template for the DevInfo adaptations in the region for the purpose of comparability, standardization and harmonization of the datasets.



FUTURE WORK

- Regular updating of **CARICOMInfo Web adaptation**
- Continued **expansion of DevInfo** in Member States and Associate Members.
- Creation of a CARICOM Regional Template for DevInfo adaptations.



ACTION TO BE TAKEN

The **Meeting** is **invited** to:

- **Consider** a Regional Template for the DevInfo adaptations in the CARICOM Region.



Brief Demonstration

CARICOMInfo

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