

Report to Region 3 Executive Committee

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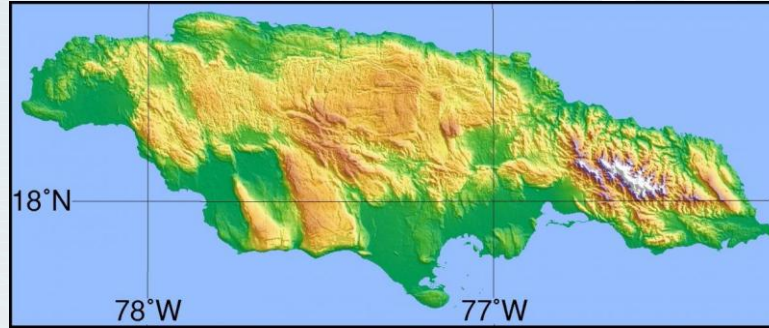
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IEEE CaribCon2026 – Montego Bay, Jamaica

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IEEE CaribCon 2026



Date: May 29 - 30, 2026

Location: Montego Bay, Jamaica

***Emerging Technologies and their Implications for
Latin America and the Caribbean***

IEEE CaribCon 2026 – Updates

- ▶ Format of Conference – Destination, Face to face.
- ▶ Committee Member Designations
 - IEEE CaribCon2026 Vice Chairs with responsibility for 1. Technical Program, 2. Student Program, 3. Marketing and Promotions, 4. Outreach and Sponsorship.
 - Secretary: IEEE CaribCon2026 Secretary General.
- ▶ Hotel – Dreams Rose Hall Resort & Spa operated under the Hyatt Brand. The new contract submitted by Ms Kelly has been finalised. The first deposit is now being attended to. Thanks to Joe and Marci for advancing this.
- ▶ Technical Program Committee – Plans are in advanced stages.
 - Call for papers is 90 percent ready. Awaiting Hotel contract and website to launch. It is anticipated that this will be launched before September.
 - EDAS – Meeting was held Wednesday July 16 to discuss the way forward with EDAS. The appropriate forms were filled and submitted. We used an estimate of 100 papers at \$6.00 and a possible additional papers of 100 at \$5.00. There is an additional charge of \$16.00 for each registrant. The Contract is now signed.

IEEE CaribCon2026 – Updates

- ▶ Student Competitions – Plans are in advanced stages. Dr. Falknor continue to refine the Student Program
 - Student with Capstone projects will be invited to participate
 - Judges will be invited
 - Only IEEE student members will be allowed to participate.
 - All universities in the region
- ▶ Registration
 - We are engaging IEEE CEE to assist us with the registration process. Dr Rakhee, has kindly consented to be the point person in this regard. In her new capacity as “IEEE CaribCon2026 Secretary General and Registrar” she endeavour to maximise on the benefits of this engagement. We have completed the CEE questionnaire and an agreement is now entered into.
- ▶ Publicity and Promotions
 - We are in the process of finalising promotion campaign.
 - A prospectus is being prepared to engage potential patrons/Sponsors
 - Platforms to be engaged include the website, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.
 - The Conference will be promoted in Latin America and the Caribbean
- ▶ Website
 - Webmaster met with committee chairs to discuss the website matters
 - Space holders are currently being replaced with CaribCon 2026 information

IEEE CaribCon2026 – Updates

► Patrons

- Promotional presentation to approach potential patrons is being prepared.
- Unofficial communication done with some potential patrons.
- No potential Patrons has been officially communicated with. We are now getting ready to send official communication to them.

► What help needed

- Getting the word out

Summary of Activities Completed to Date

- ▶ Conference Application – Approved
- ▶ Application for website - Completed and Approved
- ▶ Conference URL purchased
- ▶ Conference Communication e-mail established
- ▶ Conference Budget approved
- ▶ Conference concentration Bank account established
- ▶ Seed funds transferred to account by JA Section & R9
- ▶ EDAS contract signed
- ▶ Conference Organizational structure revised
- ▶ Conference WebEx account established
- ▶ Conference Prospectus drafted
- ▶ Conference Call for papers completed
- ▶ Conference Logo designed (Draft)
- ▶ Updated hotel proposal/Contract processed by IEEE
- ▶ Marketing and advertising concepts being documented
- ▶ Potential Patrons contacted – await official communication.
- ▶ IEEE CEE Conference Attendance registration platform being established

Appendix - Support Documents

APPENDICES

Conference Hotel Contract Information

[Dreams Rose Hall Hotel and Spa, Montego Bay, Jamaica.](https://www.rosehallbeach.com/)



This hotel is situated in Montego Bay, Jamaica on a 400 acre beach front property and has over 480 guest rooms and provides all inclusive accommodation. Below are the quoted 2026 Per Person night rates for similar period including taxes (Contract to be signed):

Single occupancy = \$345.00

Double Occupancy = \$195.00

Extra Person = \$142.00

Children (3-11) = \$120.00

The above rates are for “All Inclusive” accommodation which covers all meals, beverages and entertainment once registered.

Conference Hotel Contract Information Cont'd

Updates



- Commission: IEEE CEE is the Agent in the contract. From this income CaribCon2026 will contract services and provide sponsorship.
- The hotel is now owned by the Hyatt chain. All our contract will remain in tact. More information will be provided in relation to name, etc. For our marketing.

IEEE CaribCon2026 Patronage Update

The planning committee will be following up on the following entities

- HEART Trust, National Training Agency
- Jamaica Tourist Board & the Jamaica Tourism Enhancement Fund
- 6G Technologies
- UNESCO, Caribbean
- The University of the West Indies
- The University of Technology, Jamaica

Local Organizing Committee

The local organizing committee for IEEE CaribCon 2026:

SEE NEW STRUCTURE:

Technical Program Committee

The Technical Program Committee (TPC) for CaribCon2026 consists of the following members:

Position	Person	Comments
Chair	Prof. Sean Thorpe	
Section Reps	Prof. Balvin Thorpe Dr. Lindon Falconer Engr. Christopher Udeagha	
Region 3 Reps	Prof. Damith Wickramanayake Dr. Arup Ghosh	
Region 9 Reps		