

Chairman's Message

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The University of the West Indies, Mona Campus in striving for excellence in its various spheres of operation understands that the road to success is never an easy one. In today's environment, it is a road filled with challenges that reflect those faced by our nation and Region, challenges that threaten our very efforts at attaining sustainable social and economic development.

The continuing decline in financial support from Government, in real terms, stemming from this reality, demands that institutions like the UWI make tough decisions in order to maintain current and secure future operations. I am heartened that the leadership of the UWI, Mona Campus is in fact making those tough choices, geared towards the advancement of the University and its stakeholders, as unpopular as they may be.

The establishment of the Mona Energy Park, will undoubtedly redound positively to the Mona Campus' bottom-line, by reducing the cost of energy needed to run its operations. Development of the Mona e-Services Centre for student employment, should greatly assist in alleviating the financial burden of those members of the student population who find it difficult to fund their education.

I am pleased that these important developments are also accompanied by major successes in the areas of teaching and research and community engagement. For these significant accomplishments, I congratulate Principal, Professor Gordon Shirley and his excellent management team for their vision and dedication to seeing the task through. They have indeed done a tremendous job despite the obstacles which they face.

My very best wishes for continued success in your efforts to build a sustainable University of the West Indies in these difficult times.

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