

Meet the STOREM project team at the University of the West Indies in Barbados

The **Centre for Resource Management and Environmental Studies (CERMES)** is a department within the Faculty of Science and Technology of the University of the West Indies (UWI), Cave Hill Campus in Barbados. The Department offers a taught master's programme in Natural Resource and Environmental Management which has four (4) specialisation streams: *Tropical Coastal and Marine Resource Management, Climate Change, Water Resources Management, and Land Management and Environmental Resilience*. To enhance the Tropical Coastal and Marine Resource Management stream, under the STOREM project CERMES will be revamping an existing course and developing a new one. CERMES is also leading the project's Development Work Package (2A) which deals with establishing the STOREM Academic Pathways.



Dr. Janice Cumberbatch is the project lead for STOREM at CERMES. She has over 30 years of professional experience in participatory research, environmental management, social and gender impact assessment, heritage tourism management, meeting facilitation and training. As a Lecturer at CERMES, Janice teaches Professional Skills for Environmental Managers, Environmental Impact Assessment, and Sustainable Tourism in the Coastal Zone. It is the latter course which has been revamped under STOREM.

Providing project management support is Catrina Hinds, who is engaged as a Project Coordinator at CERMES. Her areas of interest include climate change adaptation, disaster risk reduction and sustainable tourism. In STOREM, Catrina is designing a new master's course on Disaster Risk and Resilience in Caribbean Tourism.



Also supporting the execution of the STOREM project at CERMES is Neetha Selliah who is the Programme Coordinator of the master's programme. Neetha is responsible for the efficient and effective management of all operations related to the academic programmes. Her research focus is on advancing the sustainable social and economic development in the Caribbean region with emphasis on promoting local engagement, community self-reliance and applicable resource mobilisation mechanisms.