



President: The Rt Hon Lord Foulkes of Cumnock
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Mission Statement:

To catalyse trade and investment between the UK and the Caribbean and raise a positive profile of the Caribbean amongst the UK private sector and government

Background:

The Caribbean-Britain Business Council (CBBC) is a not-for-profit membership organisation which brings together over 100 companies and associations with trade and investment interests in and from the Caribbean.

The CBBC supports and promotes increased two way trade and investment activity between the UK and the Caribbean. It makes representations on behalf of business, provides market information, and organizes trade visits and networking events. The CBBC recognizes the important long-term role the private sector has to play in delivering sustainable social and economic development in the Caribbean.

Objectives:

- To support companies to develop trade and investment between the UK and the Caribbean
- To facilitate dialogue between its members and others in the UK, the Caribbean and continental Europe to support their commercial and other interests
- To act as the voice of the UK private sector on the Caribbean in discussions with UK Government departments and agencies

Member Benefits:

The CBBC delivers an unrivalled programme of activities and market intelligence on the Caribbean that includes:

- Regular events enabling members to learn more about markets and to network
- Outward trade and investment missions to the Caribbean
- Inward missions from the Caribbean to the UK
- Lunches and dinners for visiting Heads of Government, Ministers and senior business people.
- A consultative committee with representation from a broad range of its members that meets 2 to 3 times a year with UK government
- An annual networking reception
- A weekly e mailed news briefing 'Caribbean Insight'
- Fortnightly Caribbean Council e mailed newsletter providing information on Caribbean trade related events, articles and information
- Participation in trade and investment promotion projects
- Active liaison with other stakeholders such as Caribbean High Commissioners, Caribbean governments, UK members of Parliament, government Ministers and officials, private sector intermediary organisations in the UK and the Caribbean

- The CBBC consultative committee, made up of a cross section of CBBC corporate and premier members, meets 2 to 3 times a year with the British government through the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. Members have the opportunity to provide input to government on its Caribbean trade policy and other issues
- Access to a reduced rate for Allied Membership of the Caribbean Hotel Association
- Access to a reduced rate for membership of the Commonwealth Club/Royal Commonwealth Society

Market Intelligence: Publications

The Caribbean Council publishes a number of specialist news briefings that are of great value to subscribers. The publications are editorially independent and are published by the Caribbean Council with the objective of providing an overview of the week's news relating to the Caribbean. All publications are neutral and aim to separate fact from comment.

Caribbean Insight

Caribbean Insight is the weekly e mailed newsletter provided exclusively to members and subscribers containing up to the minute independent economic, political and commercial information on the Caribbean. Existing members find it an essential tool for doing business in the Caribbean region.

Members of the CBBC receive complimentary subscription to Caribbean Insight. For those not wishing to become members, annual subscription rates are currently £225.00.

Membership Fees: April 2008- March 2009

To discuss your individual requirements please contact Stephanie Whittle on 020 7235 9484.

Regular Membership – Small Business 1-5 employees	£110.00 + VAT per annum
Regular Membership	£275.00 + VAT per annum

Members are eligible for the following services:

- Caribbean Insight weekly news briefing by e mail (Individual subscription cost for Insight is £225.00)
- Caribbean Council Newsletter fortnightly by email
- Invitations to regular networking events free of charge
- Participation in outward trade missions at members discounted administration fee
- Invitation to attend the annual networking reception
- Access to a reduced rate for Allied Membership of the Caribbean Hotel Association
- Access to a reduced rate for membership of the Commonwealth Club / Royal Commonwealth Society

Corporate membership

£500.00 + VAT per annum

For medium sized companies and others wishing to receive an enhanced service Corporate members receive all of the regular membership benefits listed above plus:

- Invitation to lunches and dinners with visiting Caribbean Heads of Government and Ministers
- Membership of the consultative committee that meets with UK government
- Introductory briefing provided on an agreed basis

Premier membership

price on application

For companies with a substantial Caribbean interest

Premier members receive all of the regular membership benefits listed above plus:

- Invitation to lunches and dinners with visiting Caribbean Heads of Government and Ministers
- Membership of the consultative committee that meets with UK government
- First refusal for all sponsorship opportunities
- Membership of the UK chapter of the Anglo-Dominican Trade Council
- Individual consultancy, advice and support on an agreed basis

The CBBC can also offer additional consultancy services to support members in developing their Caribbean business, at special member's rates. Details are available on request.

For more information about membership, please contact:

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