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NASA Aerospace Engineer Headlines Science Conference

NASA Aerospace Engineer Dr. Camille Alleyne has been confirmed as keynote speaker for **STEM Carib 2013**, the **S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering and **M**athematics Conference being presented by the University College of the Cayman Islands in collaboration with the University of the West Indies (St. Augustine) on October 16-19, 2013.

Awarded a **Caribbean Woman Icon in Science and Technology** by the National Institute for Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology in Trinidad and Tobago, Dr. Alleyne has dedicated her 18 year career to advancing the areas of aerospace and space technology development, specifically in the fields of human space flight, ballistic missile engineering, space vehicle and weapon systems engineering, integration and testing; and most recently developing science and technology-based solutions for international development in addition to global science and space education.

Dr. Alleyne has served in several technical management positions both at NASA and US Dept of Defense. She currently serves as the Assistant Program Scientist for the International Space Station (ISS), a science laboratory in space. In this capacity she is responsible for developing and managing the communication strategic plan for ISS Research and Technology.

Dr. Alleyne heads a line-up of high calibre international and local STEM experts who are presenting on a wide variety of topics for this year's bigger, bolder and better conference. Dr. Bill Hrudey, Conference Chair said, "Following the success of the inaugural staging last year, STEM Carib 2013 will be one day longer and will feature a nice blend of speakers and topics which will showcase local, regional and international perspectives. We invite you to explore our website to view profiles of the speakers and the schedule of events."

Staying true to its purpose of exposing students, teachers, parents and the general public to science and technology in a way that inspires curiosity and interest in learning, STEM Carib 2013 is more family-friendly than ever.

"We have designated specific conference activities that will children, teens and adults will enjoy", said Dr. Hrudey. "We have planned an astronomy evening and a family fun day filled with demonstrations and displays on magic, robotics, solar observations, a Ruben's tube and a van der Graff generator, to name a few. The winners of the Rotary Science Fair will also be showcasing their projects," he added.

Take advantage of the early bird discount by registering online at www.stem.ky.
For further information, please email events@ucci.edu.ky.