

AFReG 5 African Diaspora Christian Conference Business & Trade Innovation Hub

Conference Dates: April 29 - May 01 2026

The Business and Trade Innovation Hub is a key component of the African Diaspora Christian Conference (AFReG 5 ADCC 2026), designed to move beyond dialogue into practical action by facilitating trade, investment, and economic collaboration between Africa and the Caribbean diaspora. It brings together business leaders and institutional stakeholders to identify viable opportunities in various areas. With a strong emphasis on collective investment models and positioning Jamaica as a strategic hub for Afro-Diaspora engagement, the Hub aims to establish tangible pathways for partnerships, trade missions, and long-term economic integration.

Conference Sessions

There will be two discussion sessions at the conference on April 29 and 30, followed by presentations on May 1 outlining the solutions and outcomes the conference will commit to act upon. Areas of focus by presenters on April 29 include:

1. Opportunities for Business and Trade in Africa and the Diaspora - [Dr. Macaulay Kalu](#)
2. The Challenges in Export from the Diasporic Regions to Africa and vice versa - [Ms. Beverly Johnson](#)
3. Overcoming challenges in doing business in Africa - [Dr. Douglas Mboweni](#)
4. Trade between Africa and the Caribbean, Challenges and opportunities for young entrepreneurs – [Ms. Cordell Williams](#)

Moderator: Beverley Johnson