



OECS Launches Entrepreneurs Incubation and Acceleration Programme TECHIE

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Monday, November 29, 2021 — **The Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Commission welcomed the first cohort of entrepreneurs to its incubation and acceleration programme TECHIE; Technology Competitiveness Hub for Innovation and Entrepreneurship. This programme is funded by the Compete Caribbean Partnership facility and is being implemented by GBest Limited from Trinidad and Tobago.**

167 applications were received for the programme and through a rigorous evaluation process, 14 startups were selected to participate in the virtual business incubator, while 32 existing companies were selected to participate in the accelerator. Participants in both components of the TECHIE programme will benefit from training, mentoring, coaching, consultancy services, support to

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The Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) is an International Organisation dedicated to economic harmonisation and integration, protection of human and legal rights, and the encouragement of good governance among independent and non-independent countries in the Eastern Caribbean. The OECS came into being on June 18th 1981, when seven Eastern Caribbean countries signed a treaty agreeing to cooperate with each other while promoting unity and solidarity among its Members. The Treaty became known as the Treaty of Basseterre, so named in honour of the capital city of St. Kitts and Nevis where it was signed. The OECS today, currently has eleven members, spread across the Eastern Caribbean comprising Antigua and Barbuda, Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, St Vincent and The Grenadines, British Virgin Islands, Anguilla, Martinique and Guadeloupe.

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