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1. Basic information

1.1 Nominee’s name:

Kerwin JnoBaptiste

1.2 Title:

Executive Director

1.3 Company:

Dominica Association of Industry and Commerce, DAIC

1.4 ARISE member since (specified in the ARISE welcome letter):

Launched in 2018

1.5 Current ARISE Board member:

Yes

If “Yes”:

First term

Second term

No


1.6 Network or individual member:

Network Member: My network leader has endorsed my application.

If “Network Member,” please specify [which network](#):

ARISE Dominica

Individual Member (i.e. no network affiliation)

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2. Curriculum Vitae

2.1 PLEASE ATTACH YOUR CV OR RESUME TO THIS SELF-NOMINATION FORM.

3. Questionnaire

3.1 Please indicate any past or present affiliations and accomplishments related to Disaster Risk Reduction / Prevention / Resilience / Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) / Environmental Social Governance (ESG) (max 200 words)


In the last quarter of 2020 during what was the most unprecedented event, I embarked on a journey to make a stronger contribution to the world around me and joined the SUNx program and became a Strong Climate Champion. Including a Climate Friendly Travel Diploma with the Institute for Tourism Studies in Malta, the program inspired by the late Maurice Strong - Sustainability and Climate Activist, this is a legacy of his 20 years of collaboration on Green Growth within Travel and Tourism, with Professor Geoffrey Lipman, and Felix Dodds on Sustainable Development. This is a support system for Travel & Tourism stakeholders to build Climate Resilience in line with the targets of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and Paris Agreement through Climate Friendly Travel (CFT). It is managed by the EU-based not-for-profit Green Growth & Travelism Institute (GGTI) and is supported by The SUNx Malta Climate Friendly Travel Registry for 2050 Climate Neutral & Sustainability Ambitions. Today, alongside people from different parts of the world we believe that radical collaboration is fundamental if we are to maintain our planet within 1.5° and we are here to support this transition in the Travel & Tourism sector.

3.2 Please specify if you have the decision-making and support capacities for ARISE within your company relating to at least one of the four ARISE focus areas (SME resilience, investment, insurance, resilient infrastructure) at

a) Senior level (max 100 words each)

Presenting strategies while establishing an environment that fuels the growth of small businesses within the destination is one of our mandate. Destination Dominica has been one of the islands affected by the effect of climate change hence making resiliency a key part of our day to day strategies. We have seek to initiate efforts to partner with the climate agency on island to maximize on all efforts.

b) Technical level (max 100 words each)

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The DAIC office is equipped with technologies to assist in the facilitation of training and dissemination of information. Change can be made to incorporate an additional workforce if the workload increases.

3.3 Please specify if you have the decision-making and support capacities within your company relating to other key areas such as Early Warning or Public-Private Partnership at the national or local level (100 words)

The secretariat is supported by a board of directors which meets once a month or sooner if the situation arises to assist in the decision-making process.

3.4 Indicate if your company is affiliated with / member of any other global private sectors networks such as the UN Global Compact, World Economic Forum (WEF), World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) International Chambers of Commerce (ICC), or another private sector network, including of other UN agencies (please specify) (max 100 words each)

Through the Caribbean Chamber of Commerce, the DAIC is affiliated with UN Global Compact and the International Chamber of Commerce.

3.5 Please list 3 goals which you would aim to achieve as a Board Member of ARISE, specifically within (max 100 words)


- a) your 1st year
- b) long term

During the first year, my role as a board member would be

1. Identifying agencies with similar goals and creating partnerships which are expected to eradicate the duplication of the same task by different agencies and strengthen the impact of projects.
2. Establish an international registry/ director of climate activists/ agencies
3. Identify challenges faced by the regions which affect the resiliency of small and micro businesses.

My long-term plans would include

1. Setting regional projects in the field of resilient, sustainability and innovation.
2. Build a linkage with climate agencies that would benefit from the strength and weaknesses of each.
3. Develop regional plans/ strategies that are expected to guide micro and small businesses on the path to resiliency.

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Note:

Please consider the responsibilities of Board members and the parameters for a Board member to be designated inactive as specified in the Board elections Standard Operating Procedure (SOP).

