



Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
Ministry of Public Administration and Artificial Intelligence

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Ministry of Public Administration and Artificial Intelligence
appoints Members to iGovTT Board

The Minister of Public Administration and Artificial Intelligence, Senator the Honourable Dominic Smith, has appointed a new Board of Directors for iGovTT; the state agency responsible for advancing Trinidad and Tobago's digital agenda. Members of the newly constituted Board were formally presented with their letters of appointment on Tuesday, 7 October 2025, at the Ministry's 14th Floor Conference Room, Tower C, International Waterfront Centre, Port of Spain.

Leading the new Board is Business Strategist and Innovator, Ms. Ria Karim, who has been appointed Chairman, with Mr. Nischall Shane Poona serving as Deputy Chairman. Over the next two years, they will guide an eleven-member team with a bold mandate: to build a Digital Society, drive a Digital Economy and establish a Digital Government. The Board's Directors include Mr. Brent C. Hector, Ms. Shivana Motie, Mr. Kissoonlal Sinanan, Mr. Shannon Rampersad, Mr. Khalid Burke, Mr. Atiba Phillips, Ms. Sapphire Mohan, Ms. Miriam Rampersad, and Mr. Jessel Mohammed, each bringing a wealth of experience and expertise to the role.

In his address to the Board, Minister Smith emphasised the critical role iGovTT plays in bridging the digital divide and transitioning Trinidad and Tobago into a more connected and efficient society. Minister Smith urged the Board to embrace three guiding principles: *Sharing the Vision*, *Feeling the Vision* and *Working Together to Execute the Vision*. Further, Minister

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stressed that success of these principles will depend on the Board's ability to make digital transformation a lived reality for all citizens, ensuring no one is left behind. He also encouraged members to leverage their collective expertise to promote equitable access to technology and create an environment where innovation can thrive.

The iGovTT Board will serve for a two year period.



Senator the Honourable Dominic Smith, Minister of Public Administration and Artificial Intelligence presents Ria Karim (Chairman) with her letter of appointment.

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Newly appointed Members of the iGovTT Board with Senator the Honourable Dominic Smith, Minister of Public Administration and Artificial Intelligence, centre; From L – R: Shannon Rampersad, Atiba Phillips, Khalid Burke, Shivana Motie, Nischall Shane Poona (Deputy Chairman), Kissoonlal Sinanan, Sapphire Mohan, Jessel Mohammed, Miriam Rampersad.

Absent from photo: Brent C. Hector, Board Member.

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