

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 driving the nation's digital agenda. Members of this newly constituted Board were formally presented with their letters of appointment on Tuesday 7th October, 2025 at the Ministry's 14th Floor Conference Room at Tower C, International Waterfront Centre, Port of Spain.

At the helm of the new Board is Business Strategist and Innovator, Ria Karim, who has been appointed Chairman, with Nischall Shane Poona serving as the Deputy Chairman. Over the next two years, they will guide an elevenmember team tasked with a clear and ambitious mandate: to build a Digital Society, drive a Digital Economy, and establish a Digital Government. The Board's Directors are as follows: 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, Mr. Jessel Mohammed and Mr. Sunil Ajodha, each bringing with them a wealth of experience and expertise to the role.

During his opening address, Minister Smith underscored the pivotal role the iGovTT Board plays in realizing the Government's vision of bridging the digital divide and effectively transitioning Trinidad and Tobago to a more connected and efficient society. He called on the Board to embrace three critical courses of action: **Sharing in the Vision, Feeling the Vision,** and **Working together, alongside the Minister, to Execute the Vision.** The Minister emphasized that the Board's success hinges on their ability to ensure that digital transformation is not just a policy objective but a lived reality for all citizens, ensuring that no one is left behind. The Minister urged them to leverage their collective expertise to guarantee equitable access to technology, regardless of circumstance or background, and challenged them to cultivate an environment where innovation thrives.

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



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 photos is Board Members Brent C. Hector and Mr. Sunil Ajodha.

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