

REUNION 2008 AT A GLANCE

Organisational and Programme Delivery Framework

Core Mission & Orientation

The central mission of the National Reunion Committee is to oversee coordination of Dominica's 30th anniversary celebrations in a manner that places accent on the entirety of Dominican people regardless of their place of residence or work. In fact, this insistence of participation by all is the basis for the choice of the theme for the year: Celebrating the Journey Together. This means that the celebrations are open to all Dominicans (in rural and urban Dominica as well as in the Diaspora) and that all Dominicans and friends of Dominica are invited to come together to celebrate but also to reflect on and take action concerning the challenge of building a better future for all.

The Committee has agreed that the programming and orientation of Reunion 2008 should focus, not only on merry making but on renewal. In fact, here is a suggestion that the term 'renaissance' is much closer to the real intention of Reunion 2008. The term suggests: rebirth, revival -a commitment to retrieve those elements of life and culture that have been deliberately or accidentally sidelined. In essence it speaks to a new beginning in self-awareness, in national pride, and commitment to action that is intended to promote the national good.

Central Delivery Structures

The **Reunion Planning Committee** (RPC)¹ is the Central body appointed by Cabinet (March 2006) for the formulation of Reunion Activities and the facilitation of implementation through subcommittees appointed from a cross section of Dominican Nationals and others.

The Committee is tasked with:

- Formulation of Programmes
- Resource and Partner Mobilisation
- Programme Coordination and Implementation
- Marketing and Public Relations

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The RPC is headed by a **Chairman** who serves as the Executive of the Programme, is supported by an **Executive Core Committee**² selected from the 32-member Committee appointed by Cabinet.

The Core Committee will be responsible for the operationalisation of the directions of the RPC and the decisions of Cabinet. The responsibilities of the Core Committee are summarised in the following matrix:

Core Functions	Activities	Outputs	Comments
Strategic Planning	 Programme Formulation Proposal preparation & evaluation Preparation of Implementation Strategy Establish Coordination structures 	Vision Statement Draft Programme Budgets/Projections Reporting Formats	 Vision Statement Completed Reunion Organisation & Delivery Framework completed
Resource Mobilisation	 Identification of strategic partners Preparation of approaches to Cabinet, Preparation of approaches to Priv. Sector, Diaspora Entities & other Partners 	 Allocated Funds Funds allocated by government Ministries and Para-statals Identification of non-financial contributions Mobilisation of Diaspora Support 	 Reunion Budget allocated. 400,000 Allocated by Government \$55,000 Allocated by Non-Government Agency Active Contribution & Commitment by DAAS & others
Programme Delivery & Coordination	 Preparation of Programme Drafts Preparation of Activity Schedule 	Draft ProgrammeDraft Programme ofConceptActivities AvailableDraft ActivitiesSchedule	
Financial Management	 Budget Preparation Devising Accounting Systems Audits 	 Financial Reports Reports Quarterly Reports 	
Monitoring & Evaluation	 Preparation of Programme Reports Preparation of Audit reports Public Release of Audit Reports 		

Executive Core Committee: Role & Work Plan

Cross Cutting Areas:

1.	Spirituality	6. Festivals
2.	Expositions	7. Diaspora
3.	Security	8. Youth
4.	Conferences and Symposia	9. Communication and Expression
5.	Revenue Generation	10. Health & Wellness

Programme Delivery Framework

Flagship Clusters:	Flagship Programmes:	RPC Coordinator/ Responsible Entity	
Education, Science, Technology and Innovation	 National Conference on Education Reform Symposium on ECD Official Opening of DSC Entrepreneurial Programme Early Childhood Launch of TV Populaire UWI 60th Anniversary Dinner Dame Eugenia Distinguished Lecture (December 2008) 	Chief Education Officer and Dr. Francis Severin?	Conference concerned with Reform imperatives, linking Education with the Economy. Members of Working Group:
Economic	Economics Conference	E Lambert	(Chair: S. Lestrade & T
Development & Entrepreneurship	Re-launch of Weekly Fish Festival (Cashacou) Rotary		Fontaine) Members of Working Group:
Arts, Culture and Monuments Agriculture Environment and Botanical Gardens	 Cultural Gala Old (Traditional) Mas Commissioning of Nèg Mawon, Carib and Rawle Monuments New Year's Morning Event Propagation of Saplings Agricultural Exhibition Better Village Competition 	A Bully C Bully	(Ministry of Agric) Members of Working Group:
	 Foresters Conference Jou Bòd Layvyè (Day by the River) Official Opening Renovated Botanical Gardens 		
Youth, Sports and Games	 Football Masters Tournament Youth Camp Dive Fest Yacht Regatta (Portsmouth) 	Minister Bannis- Roberts	Members of Working Group:
Services: Health, Wellness, Tourism etc.		Charles Maynard	(Ministry of Health) Members of Working Group: