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Pictured from left: Barbados' Minister of Finance, Hon. Ryan Straughn; Scotiabank (Barbados) Limited Country Head, Suzette Armoogam-Shah; and Daniel Gracian, Director, Sustainable Finance, during 2026 IDB Invest Sustainability Week in Barbados.

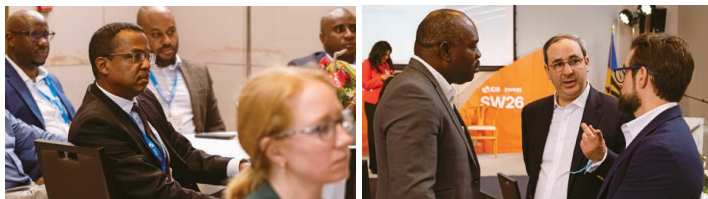
Driving meaningful dialogue on the future of sustainable finance in the Caribbean.

On Wednesday, May 27th, Scotiabank (Barbados) Limited hosted an intimate breakfast discussion at the 2026 IDB Invest Sustainability Week on Barbados focused on the role of the private sector in mobilizing capital towards sustainability.



Feature speakers engage with an attendee during the Q&A segment as discussions explored sustainable finance, climate resilience and mobilizing private sector capital towards growth across the region.

The discussion between Barbados' Minister of Finance, Hon. Ryan Straughn, and Scotiabank (Barbados) Country Head, Suzette Armoogam-Shah, explored innovative financing models, climate resilience, blended finance, and the importance of regional collaboration in unlocking private sector capital towards sustainable growth.



Attendees engaged in conversations and thoughtful perspectives from leaders across finance, investment and development sectors as discussions explored the role of innovative financing models and regional collaboration in advancing sustainable growth across the Caribbean.

From Barbados' landmark Blue Bond transaction to its world-first Debt-for-Climate Swap, the discussion reinforced how bold partnerships and innovative thinking can create meaningful impact for the region.

Thank you to all our guests and partners who joined the conversation.



Roger Best, Director Regional Sales Lead, Scotiabank (Barbados) Limited engages feature speakers in the Q&A segment.



A meaningful exchange on the role of the private sector in advancing climate resilience and sustainable investment across the region



Insightful dialogue and meaningful connections as Barbados' Minister of Finance, Hon. Ryan Straughn, engaged attendees during discussions on innovative financing models, climate resilience and the role of collaboration in advancing sustainable growth across the region.



Suzette Armoogam-Shah responds to attendees during the interactive Q&A segment.



Daniel Gracian and breakfast attendee listen attentively to feature speakers' remarks.