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Belize Hosts International Partners Conference 2025 under the Theme “Investing in the Green Transition”

Belmopan, October 28, 2025.

The International Partners Conference 2025 commenced under the theme “Investing in the Green Transition.” Hosted under the aegis of the International Cooperation Council, the two-day event brings together government leaders, development partners, and private sector representatives to strengthen partnerships and advance strategies for sustainable development and resilience.

Hon. John Briceño, Prime Minister, addressed the audience along with Hon. Francis Fonseca, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade, Culture and Immigration; Mr. Daniel Best, President of the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB); Ms. Karla Gonzalez, IDB Country Representative; and H.E. Amalia Mai, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade (MFAFT).

Organised by the MFAFT in collaboration with the Ministry of Economic Transformation, the conference highlights Belize’s commitment to building a green and resilient economy through climate finance, innovation, and strategic alliances. The discussions are aligned with Strategic Objective 5 of the Medium-Term Development Strategy: “Protection of the Environment.”

The programme features high-level roundtable discussions on Energy Resilience, Green Infrastructure Development, Powering Employment through Education for the Green Transition, and Challenges to Financing the Green Transition.

A dedicated panel coordinated by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), including representatives from the European Investment Bank, UNDP, World Bank, EU Delegation, and CDB, will explore how coordinated strategies and financing instruments can support Belize’s national goals for sustainable transformation.

The conference also features a side event on “Public-Private Partnerships for the Green Transition,” bringing together leaders from government,

finance, and renewable energy sectors to accelerate collaboration on projects in battery storage, grid connectivity, and e-mobility.

The International Partners Conference 2025 serves to deepen dialogue with international partners and investors, strengthen Belize's capacity to access climate finance, and ensure that the nation's green transition is both inclusive and transformative.

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