#### **SLHTA Board of Directors**

**President** Mr. Paul Collymore First Vice-President Mr. John Mathurin Second Vice-President Ms. Erwin Louisy **Immediate Past President** 

Mrs. Karolin Troubetzkoy

Chief Executive Officer Mr. Noorani Azeez Corporate Secretary Ms. Donette Ismael

**Tourism Enhancement Fund Programme** 

Manager Ms. Donette Ismael

**Representative for Small Properties (Small** Hotels, Inns, Bed & Breakfast Establishments & Guesthouses) Ms. Cheryl Gustave

**Representative for Large Hotels** 

Mr. Winston Anderson

**Representative for Luxury Villas and Vacation Rentals** Mrs Marella Devaux

**Representative for High-End Boutique Hotels** Mr. Christian Gandara

**Representative for Independent Restaurants and** Food & Beverage Distributors Mr. Wadi Zakhour **Representative for Airlines, Travel Consultants, Destination Management Companies & Wedding Service Providers** Ms. Erwin Louisy **Representative for the Yachting and Maritime** 

**SubSectors** Mr. Sean Devaux **Representative for Ground Transportation & Cruise Sub-sectors and Tour Service Providers** 

(Automobile Rentals, National Taxi Union, Tourism Taxis & Cruise related businesses) Mr. Corey Devaux

**Representative for Utility Companies, Statutory Corporations & otherwise unrepresented Service** 

**Providers** Mr. Daryl Raymond

Representative At Large for Banks, **Professionals, Educational, Training Institutions** & Other Allied Members Mr. Kirk Elliott **Saint Lucia Air & Sea Ports Authority** 

Mr. Gasper George

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### **SLHTA COMMITTEES**

The SLHTA have created a myriad of Committees. We always welcome volunteers to sit on these committees to offer insight, experience and knowledge share.

Please email bdo@slhta.info for further information and Terms of Reference indicating which Committee you would be interested in joining.

SLHTA Chefs Table SLHTA Culinary Committee SLHTA DMC Committee SLHTA Duty Free Retail Committee

SLHTA Environmental Committee

SLHTA Events Committee

SLHTA HR Advisory Committee

SLHTA Independent Restaurants Committee

SLHTA Linkages Committee

SLHTA Marketing Committee

SLHTA Maritime Committee

SLHTA Safety and Security Committee

SLHTA Sites and Attractions Committee

SLHTA Soul Food Table

**SLHTA Sports Committee** 

#### We are also present and directly involved in the following:

St Lucia National Conservation Fund (SLUNCF) St Lucia Hyperbaric Society (SLHS) Tourism Enhancement Fund (TEF) Citizens for Peace and Prosperity (CPP) Peace and Prosperity Inc (PPI)

Please see link here: http://www.slhta.com/ about-us-2/slhta-committees/

## Support **SLHTA's Tourism Enhancement Fund**

The Tourism Enhancement Fund (TEF) has been created to allow the SLHTA to play an integral part in the sustainable development of our destination.

The SLHTA, through The Tourism Enhancement Fund, is able to finance community after school training programs for young people in marginalized communities, beautification of public spaces, finance important studies on the sustainability of our industry, enter into private-public partnerships to improve our water management, aid in the reconstruction of Rainforest Trails and many other environmental, product and social development projects.

Find out more about what we do and how you can support us by visiting:

#### www.saintluciatef.com







### **SLHTA MEMBER BENEFITS**



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### The SLHTA Close Up

As the principal tourism private sector agency in St. Lucia, the SLHTA is responsible for facilitating tourism sector development and management. The SLHTA is a private non-profit membership organization that functions as the "official organization and national spokesperson" for the hospitality Industry and its wide membership. The Association has a grouping of over two hundred members covering a wide segment of the economic spectrum of St. Lucia to include the tourism, retail & wholesale distribution. agriculture and other services sectors. The SLHTA is dedicated to representing, informing, educating and upholding the interests of its membership in the tourism industry, which has earned it the reputation as the "Voice of the Hospitality Industry".

## **SLHTA Principal Functions**

The SLHTA is governed by a Board of Directors comprising elected representatives from various sections of the tourism sector. This structure is strengthened by a Secretariat, headed by a Chief Executive Officer, which focuses on these main activities:

- Lobbying / representing the interests of the membership
- Assisting in tourism & general policy formulation (via input into Government plans, policies and proposals)
- Promoting, orchestrating & facilitating marketing support for members
- Coordinating/conducting industry-focused training, human resource development and technical assistance;
- Monitoring sector developments, performance, practices & trends so as to provide advice to membership
- Coordinating supply of key information and statistics from members to developers/ investors, planners, relevant institutions and researchers
- Developing strategic business/institutional alliances, to build competitiveness, visibility

- and profitability of members, while widening revenue base
- Improving relationships and understanding between SLHTA membership, the wider tourism sector & the St. Lucia community, in the interest of national development and good corporate citizenship, via events, community outreach programmes and other targeted activities.

### **Membership Benefits**

Membership of the SLHTA is an endorsement, confirming to customers and fellow members that they are in contact with a professional friend, and a sincere supporter of the tourism industry. Membership enables you to enhance your business in ways that could prove too costly or difficult to accomplish on your own.

1. Group Medical Insurance Program No one plans to get sick, but most people need Medical Insurance at some point. The SLHTA Medical Insurance offers a monthly medical premium for non-management staff of \$50.00 per month and a monthly life premium for non - management staff of \$5.40 per month (however life insurance is only available for the employee). This is one of the best rates currently provided to any property or establishment in the industry on island.

- 2. Discounts on training and certification **programs** This allows access to discounted rates on training in many subject areas such as cost control, customer service, foreign languages, wines certification, First Aid/CPR, HACCP Certification, e-skills learning, social media marketing etc.
- **3. Networking** entails the advantage of being part of a forum of diverse tourism enterprises and potential clients that could drive business in the form of alliances, exclusive service contracts, joint marketing and promotion, preferred partner services etc.
- **4. Advocacy** provides a stronger platform for negotiating with Government and other entities on issues of concern to its members and the overall tourism sector

- 5. Membership of an Association that promotes high standards and accords a degree of respectability to all its members.
- 6. Use of the SLHTA Hospitality Training facility for sub-group meetings, Conferences and consultations with other members.
- 7. Ability to resolve differences with other **SLHTA members** in a cordial and well-refereed atmosphere.
- 8. Participation in local, regional and **international events** under the auspices of the SLHTA, CHTA or other associated body.
- **9. The SLHTA website** is a major source of information for members and visitors alike. All members will be featured on the website, with links provided to their respective website and other regional and international industry sites. 10. Virtual Agricultural Clearing House allows access to information on availability of local agricultural produce and sources.

#### Who are our Members?

Members include large and small hotels; villas, boutique hotels; restaurants; airlines; tour companies; travel agents; car rental companies; banks; security services; sporting companies; statutory boards; public utilities; taxi services; manufacturers and suppliers of other goods and services.

# **Membership Categories:**

Accommodation Provider: Any individual. partnership, or cooperation managing or engaged in the operation of an accomodation establishment.

Tourism Service Provider: Any individual, partnership, or cooperation providing a service to the hotels or associated with the tourism industry but not operating a hotel.

Sustaining Member: Any person, firm, or cooperation whose hotel property is under construction and not fully operational.

**Affiliate Member:** Any recognized association of members.

**Honorary Member:** Any individual who has rendered long and distinguished service to the tourism sector

#### **SLHTA Independent Industry Employee**

**Member:** An employee desirous of gaining access to SLHTA benefits but whose place of employment is NOT a member of the SLHTA may qualify for this tier of membership. Students pursuing studies in hospitality and tourism may also qualify. Membership will entitle you to the following benefits: Group Medical Insurance, Training and Development Workshops, Conferences discounts, Member to Member discounts and scholarship offers.

### **Membership Dues Schedule**

Hotels ECS 75.00 per room EC\$ 450.00 minimum dues EC\$ 500.00 Restaurants **Airlines** EC\$ 1500.00 Banks EC\$ 2 000.00 EC\$ 2750.00 **Tour Operators Destination Management** EC\$ 1 000.00 **Taxi Association** EC\$ 5 000.00 EC\$ 600.00 up to 5 cars **Car Rental Companies** 

> EC\$ 750.00 5 -10 cars EC\$ 1 000.00 10 cars and up

EC\$ 1500.00 **Yacht Charterers** EC\$ 600.00 1 boat **Day Boat Charterers** EC\$ 750.00 2 boats

EC\$ 1 000.00 3 boats and up **General Merchants** EC\$ 2 000.00

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Manufacturers EC\$ 1 000.00, EC\$1 500.00,

EC\$ 750.00 Miscellaneous Members **Shopkeepers Association** EC\$ 3000.00 **Gift Shops/Boutiques** EC\$ 1 000.00 **Public Utilities** EC\$ 3 000.00 **Statutory Boards** EC\$ 1 000.00 Home Rentals/Real Estate EC\$ 1 000.00 Sporting EC\$ 1500.00

Villas EC\$75 per room or a minimum rate of EC\$500

**Affiliate Member** 

**Independent Industry** 

**Employee** 

**Sustaining Member** 

Dependent on size

whichever is the greater. EC\$ 2700.00

EC\$ 5 000.00 / EC\$ 6 000.00

EC\$ 60.00