

## Call for Posters & Ideas Lab Participants

### Canadian–Caribbean Tourism Resilience Symposium: Co-Designing the Next Decade

July 29–30, 2026 | Limberlost Place, Waterfront Campus | Toronto, Ontario

#### Share Your Work. Shape the Conversation

Do you have research, a project, or an idea that could strengthen tourism resilience? The **Ideas Lab and Poster Showcase** is your platform.

The **Global Tourism Resilience and Crisis Management Centre (GTRCMC)** at George Brown Polytechnic, in partnership with the **Caribbean Tourism Organization (CTO)**, invites students and professionals to submit posters for display and presentation at the **Canadian–Caribbean Tourism Resilience Symposium: Co-Designing the Next Decade**.

This is a rare opportunity to put your work in front of tourism ministries, destination management organizations, industry leaders, academics, and global partners and to contribute meaningfully to a solutions-focused, action-oriented dialogue.

#### What We're Looking For

We welcome poster submissions that reflect:

- Emerging research or class/capstone projects
- Case studies and applied projects
- Innovative practices and solutions
- Community-based or cross-sector initiatives

Submissions should align with at least one of the symposium's four core themes and offer insights that advance tourism resilience in practical, actionable ways.

#### Themes

- **Financing Tourism Resilience** - Public policy supports, regulatory frameworks, and financial instruments that enable local operators to weather disruption and build long-term stability.
- **From Climate Risk to Climate Action** - Emergency preparedness, crisis management, climate adaptation, and the protection of marine and coastal ecosystems.
- **Supply Chains, Transport, and Food Security** - Reducing disruption, strengthening local procurement, and building resilience across hospitality and destination supply chains.
- **Workforce Resilience** - Skills development, TVET, sustainability training, incident response, and workforce retention across tourism and hospitality.

Submissions addressing **innovation, digital technologies, and risk management** are strongly encouraged across all themes.

## Who Should Apply

This call is open to all sectors. We especially encourage **students** presenting class, capstone, or thesis work, and **practitioners** with applied or community-based solutions to share.

*Presenters must be available to showcase their posters in person on July 29, 2026.*

## How to Submit

Submit the following in **.docx or .pdf** format to [Donna.Fanfair@georgebrown.ca](mailto:Donna.Fanfair@georgebrown.ca), indicating whether your work reflects **research, applied practice, or innovation**:

- Poster title
- Abstract (250–300 words)
- Author(s) and affiliations
- Brief biography of the primary presenter
- Contact email address

**Poster dimensions:** 36 × 48 in or 48 × 36 in **Setup deadline:** 9:00 a.m., July 29, 2026

## Key Dates

<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Date</b>
Submission Deadline	June 22, 2026
Notification of Acceptance	June 30, 2026
Symposium	July 29–30, 2026

## Submission Process

Please submit your proposal via email to **Donna Fanfair** at [Donna.Fanfair@georgebrown.ca](mailto:Donna.Fanfair@georgebrown.ca)

*Join us in Toronto to put your ideas on the map and help co-design a more resilient future for tourism across Canada, the Caribbean, and beyond.*