



ICT Week - Suriname

Digital Transformation – *Do it!*



Caribbean FutureScape and how to navigate through it?

Experiencing life in a Single ICT Space

1. What is Caribbean FutureScape?

Caribbean FutureScape is a confederation of 4 Caribbean countries whose governments have collaborated and cooperated to use information and communication technologies (ICT) to accelerate the social and economic development of their countries.

In Caribbean FutureScape, the bureaucracy associated with national boundaries have been erased through the effective application of ICT. Citizens of the 4 countries are able to move freely from country to country with their capital and goods. A citizen in FutureScape can establish a business and provide services in any country and all Government services are common across FutureScape and accessible globally by the Diaspora.

FutureScape is an inclusive society in which the quality of life of all citizens is greatly improved.

2. What is the Caribbean FutureScape experience?

Citizens experience cutting-edge ICT in real life situations and as a result will understand the game-changing transformation Caribbean life would undergo when technology is properly applied. They will experience different ICT-enabled services and activities in the 4 countries.

FutureScape provides a real-time interactive, immersion experience that demonstrates the speed, efficiency, transparency, resilience, facility and simplicity of life in a fully integrated, digital Caribbean.

3. What is required for Caribbean FutureScape to become a reality?

Caribbean FutureScape would be established by the collaboration and cooperation of participating Governments. With leadership and commitment to a complex process, the Governments in FutureScape would create an enabling environment of harmonised policies, legislation and regulations that effectively erase geo-political borders. This would result in ubiquitous, standardised and fully inter-operable services, at the same price, across FutureScape.

4. How do I navigate through Caribbean FutureScape?

As a citizen, you will be issued with a unique identification number, which is recorded on a digital pass.

You present yourself at the Caribbean FutureScape Citizen Centre to be issued with your unique pass.

5. What laws apply in Caribbean Futurescape?

Citizens must observe the laws, which are:

- Observe the direction of travel throughout Caribbean FutureScape (see directional arrows in the map below),
- Use Emergency Exits only in the Case of an Emergency,
- Not to over-stay the time allocated in a country,
- Return Kindles borrowed from the digital library in the stipulated time frames and
- Pay taxes and fines at the Revenue Office.

Violations of a law may attract a fine or the citizen may be required to appear in the digital court for a hearing.

6. What is Legal Tender in Caribbean Futurescape?

The Caribbean FutureScape dollar is the legal tender for all financial transactions.

All Citizens are entitled to a one-time grant payment of CFS\$3,000.00.

7. What services are available?

Citizens in possession of their pass can access all services in Caribbean FutureScape, which include:

- Purchase land in Caribbean FutureScape
- Rental of items from the Digital Library
- Scheduling of medical appointments
- Applying for a Birth Certificate
- Applying for a Driver's license
- Filing a will
- Registering a child for school
- Registering a marriage
- Registering a business

8. How will I receive information when I am in Caribbean Futurescape?

Alerts on matters of interest and importance are sent to each citizen's mobile device (smart phone) and they will also be posted on the digital Dashboards displayed in each country.