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Corporate governance disclosure

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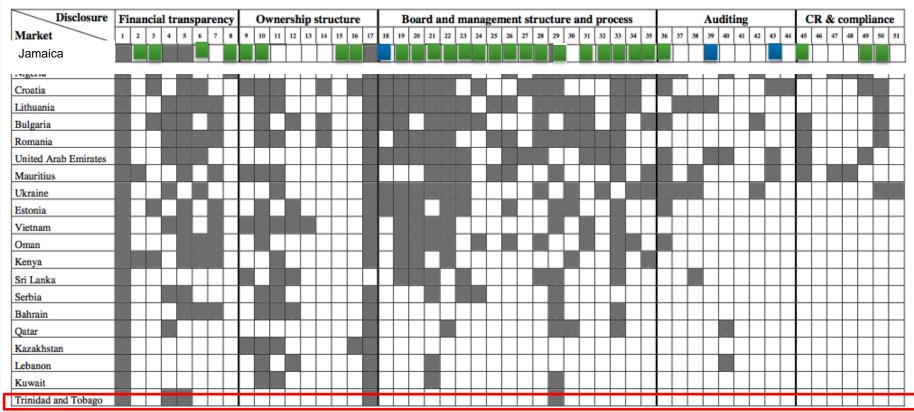
2012 Review of Key events in Trinidad & Tobago following ISAR-28

Report by Syntegra Change Architects Ltd of Trinidad & Tobago

Geneva, 2 November 2012

gap analysis of corporate governance disclosure requirements in 22 markets

Empty white squares indicate that the disclosure item is not required. Markets organized from most disclosure requirements to least, compared to the ISAR benchmark. The name of individual disclosure items can be found in the list in Annex II.



Source: UNCTAD, 2010

2010 Review of the Implementation Status of Corporate Governance Disclosures:

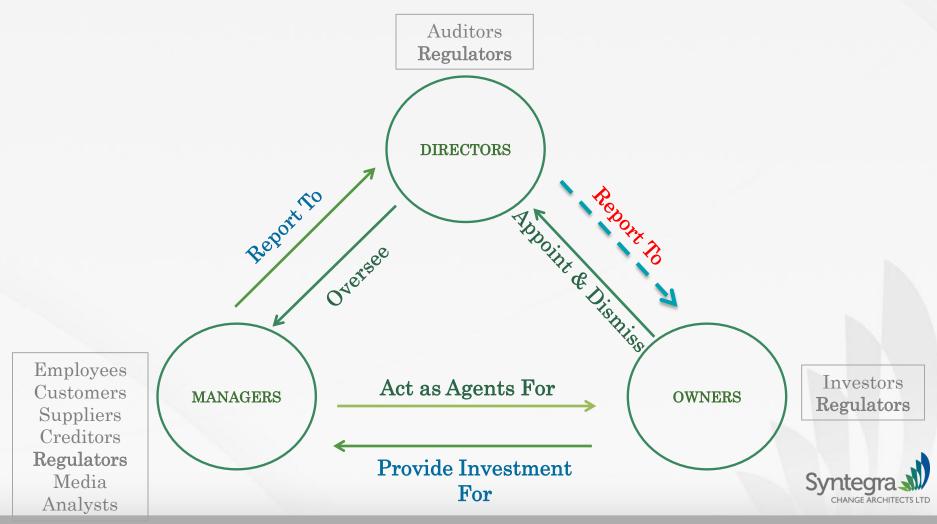
An Inventory of Disclosure Requirements in 21 Frontier Markets

Jamaica data: Syntegra, PSOJ, & ICAJ (2012 forthcoming).



Corporate Governance Ecosystem

Research points to a key factor to be strengthened



Key events in T&T following ISAR-28

(Publication of T&T Disclosure Implementation Status)

Media Attention

- → Ongoing Commission of Enquiry into the failure of CL Financial et al and the Hindu Credit Union Society Cooperative Ltd (see http://www.clfhcuenquiry.org/)
- Newspapers & TV (see Syntegra Facebook page)

Conference Presentations by Syntegra

- Institute of Chartered Accountants of T&T (ICATT) Annual Conference 2011
- → Council of Securities Regulators of Americas (COSRA) together with T&T Security Exchange Commission, and IOSCO 2012
- University of the West Indies seminars



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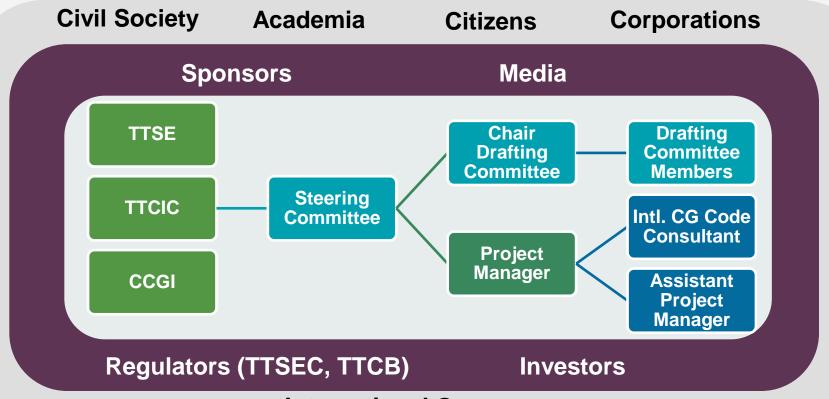
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- Regional Collaboration by Syntegra with
 - Private Sector Organization of Jamaica (training, code, research, Institute) and through them JSE
 - Institute of Chartered Accountants of Jamaica (research)
 - Stock Exchange in Barbados (training, research, Institute)
- Coalition towards T&T Corporate Governance Code
- 5. Caribbean Corporate Governance Institute (CCGI)



T&T Corporate Governance Code

Formal Partnership since May 2012 – publication 2013



Professional Bodies

International Orgs
(UNCTAD, GCGF, IADB, CAF, World Bank, PSOJ, South Africa IOD, IBGC)









role of CCGI



effective organizations + efficient markets outcomes: Complementing legislation, regulation, enforcement & investor attention requires: trust appropriate systems competence + values custom solutions comes from: education standards + guidance introductory learning CCGI offers: regulatory influence specialization professional associations consolidation of industry news international affiliation certification programs media conferences academic and research support recognition to benefit: closely held listed state ngo's investors companies enterprises companies

- non-profit professional member organization for directors and senior executives
- incorporated in July 2012
- ready to welcome members by January 2013
- 5 (of 9) directors appointed, CEO designate appointed
- current lead project:
 - → T&T Corporate Governance Code
 - → together with T&T Stock Exchange and T&T Chamber of Industry and Commerce.
- Three types of membership:
 - Individual
 - Boards
 - Fellows



Future Targets

- → Changing Corporate Governance Culture
 - building movement (by providing feedback, challenge, support)
 - Consensus Corporate Governance Standards appropriate for different countries and organizational types
- Outcomes
 - More effective organizations
 - → More responsive
 - Better and more transformative decisions
 - More successful
 - More efficient market
 - → Better allocation of available resources
 - → More sustainable societies
 - More responsible (people, planet, profits)



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