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# GLOBAL SUPPLY CHAIN CHALLENGES & SOLUTIONS IN A VOLATILE WORLD

REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE

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## OPPORTUNITIES

(Regional)

### CENTRAL AMERICA

CHALLENGES	OPPORTUNITIES
No time to wait for adaptability	Infrastructure mobility plan 2035 (showing what's ahead from now till 2035)
Remaining Competitive (to keep business flowing)	Going digital
Infrastructure	Strengthening Trade Facilitation perspective

KNOW YOUR STRENGTHS

GOODS NEEDED  
REQUIRED ACTION  
FOR PROMOTION  
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Bigger ships, Slower ships  
due to emission standards doesn't matter

Size of country vs size of the port  
Small country → big port → big ship is possibility

Logistics - Trade Architecture  
potential opportunity

## SIDS

### • Vulnerability

- Economic Shocks
- Human Resources
- Natural Resources

### • Small domestic market

Global Supply Chain  
↓ dependence on the domestic market (by marketing globally)

Access to human resources  
natural resources

Clusters - business cluster like in the Caribbean due to partnerships

- ↓ vulnerability
- ↑ resilience - to economic shocks

## UWI

Developing programs/short courses  
- with supply chain focus (maritime etc) to provide learning opportunities and build the work force



LARGE PORTS REQUIRE LARGE CAPITAL

Easier access to goods for CARICOM

→ trade volume between countries and more trade

SERVICES FOR THE TRADE OF GOODS SHOULD ALSO BE THE FOCUS

NOT ONLY TRADE OF GOODS