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**NIHERST hosts Deep Tech Revolution -
Sci-TechKnoFest 21st to 27th March 2022**

Sci-TechKnoFest (Science, Technology, Knowledge Festival) is back with its first-ever virtual edition in the Caribbean. The immersive experience, hosted by National Institute of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST) and powered by platform sponsor Shell T&T, will be made accessible to the public via an integrated online platform.

The 7-day festival, which takes place March 21st to 27th, promises to excite and delight patrons with a range of virtual activities from the comfort of their homes. The activities will expose participants to several areas of Science, Technology, Research, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STREAM) as part of NIHERST's continued outreach efforts.

Mrs. Marleen Lord-Lewis, President of NIHERST, shares "We are indeed excited to host this spectacular virtual event that will showcase the future landscape of STREAM. Our theme, the Deep Tech Revolution, promises a truly captivating experience as "minds and hearts" are propelled into the realm of Artificial Intelligence, Extended Reality and Block Chain - all pathways to a digital world. Sci-TechKnoFest 2.0 underpins the national aspirations of a brighter future in which our nation's youth and indeed all citizens are connections within the global network."

"By enabling our future generations to reimagine our world through STREAM education, we are giving them the confidence to make a difference in their local communities. Our sponsorship of the Sci-TechKnoFest is one way we aim to inspire and engage our future talent." said Eugene Okpere, SVP and Country Chair of Shell Trinidad and Tobago Limited – platinum sponsor.

Sci-TechKnoFest is a science festival that is usually held biennially and hosted by NIHERST, a statutory body under the Ministry of Education. This flagship NIHERST event uses exciting technology and immersive experiences to highlight how science plays a part in our everyday life. Participants can look forward to STREAM-aligned science shows, demonstrations, popular entertainment and interactive workshops.

The event schedule will cater to both the young and the young at heart. Thanks to all our benefactors and platinum sponsor Shell Trinidad and Tobago Limited for making this landmark experience possible.

Persons are invited to engage in our social media platforms: Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter @NIHERST / YouTube: NIHERST Trinidad and Tobago OR visit our website at www.niherst.gov.tt or email marketing@niherst.gov.tt for further details.



About NIHERST

NIHERST is a statutory body established in 1984 to promote science, technology and higher education in Trinidad and Tobago consistent with national development goals. Its current work focuses on the development of a more diversified, knowledge-driven economy, based on the ingenuity of our people and their ability to create, adapt and use science and technology for wealth generation and national development. Many of its programmes aim to strengthen the innovative, creative and entrepreneurial capabilities of the general population. NIHERST is also engaged in research, such as in foresight and innovation, to support economic diversification; promoting innovation and the commercialisation of technology in priority sectors; and building global partnerships.



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