

## **Profile Summary – Audreyanna Thomas**

Audreyanna Thomas is currently the Corporate Communications Manager at the Guyana Sugar Corporation Inc. (GuySuCo) in Guyana and specializes in Communication. She is also a Development Practitioner and has over 20 years experience in various aspects of Communications (Media Relations, Public Relations, Development Communication/Communication for Development, Strategic Communication, Advocacy Communication, Corporate Communications, Communications for Behavioural Impact and Social Marketing) and has served in this field with international and local organizations.

During her career in the field of communications, she was tasks with educating, informing and promoting the Guyana Sugar Corporation Inc. (GuySuCo), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations (UN) System in Guyana, the Guyana Water Inc. (GWI), among others.

As a consultant she has developed and implemented communications strategies and programmes for the: Modernization of the Justice Administration System (MJAS) project for the Ministry of Legal Affairs and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO), Guyana Geology and Mines Commission (GGMC), National Assembly, Public Utilities Commission (PUC), among others. She has also produced and hosted several television programmes, such as 'I Am Guyana' and 'What the Law Says...'

Additionally, she has been working extensively over the past 15 years as a consultant for various national, regional and international organizations such as, the United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF), PAHO/WHO, IDB, United States Agency for International Development (USAID), European Union (EU), Caribbean Environmental Health Institute (CEHI) and Government Ministries and Agencies in Guyana, in the areas of communication, national coordination, project coordination, facilitation, editorial, research, organizational development, change management, among others.

Ms. Thomas's professional training reflects an interesting multi-disciplinary range which spans across the Social, Natural, Environmental and Health Sciences at institutions and organisations in Latin America, Europe, Africa, Asia and the Caribbean. She currently provides advisory services to Global Perspective Inc. (GPI), a Not-for-Profit Consultancy Firm that has as its motto, "Bridging the Development Gap". This firm was established by her in 2007, to assist in bringing more impact, sustainability, structure and definition to development processes for an improved quality of life for citizens, especially the poor.

Among the many portfolios Ms. Thomas held was: Steering Committee Member for Small Islands Developing States (SIDS) and National Coordinator for the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaboration Council (WSSCC).

She has Postgraduate qualifications at the Masters-Level in Cross-sector Partnerships from the University of Cambridge, a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communications from the University of Guyana (UG) and a Diploma in Public Communications from UG; and is currently pursuing studies at the Masters-Level at the University of Cambridge for a 'Postgraduate Certificate in Sustainable Business'.

She is a trainer of trainers, with training from the United Nations System Staff College (UNSCC) in Turin, Italy.

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