

## **Dr. Cassandra Rogers, PhD**

Dr. Cassandra Rogers holds a Bachelor of Science Degree (Honours) in Special Geology from the University of the West Indies, Jamaica; a Master of Science in Geology, with specialisation in engineering geology, from the University of Windsor Canada; and a Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering Science – Civil Engineering, with specialisation in Geotechnical Engineering, from the University of California, Berkeley, United States of America.

Dr. Rogers has over 20 years of experience in natural hazard management in the Caribbean. From 1984 to 2003, she held the position of Lecturer in Engineering Geology and in Natural Hazard Management in the Department of Civil Engineering, the University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago. She has been an international consultant in the areas of hazard and vulnerability assessment, natural hazard mitigation and geographic information systems and has developed and delivered several training courses in hazard mapping, vulnerability assessment and in natural hazard mitigation planning. She has several technical publications in these areas.

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