



*Prize Giving Ceremony Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> 2019. From Left to Right: General Manager – Mr. David Fritz, Winner – Convent High School – Ms. Zinelle Vital, 2nd Place – Dominica State College – Ms. Jeressa Iatoya Jeremy, 3rd place – North Eastern Comprehensive School -Teacher Edith Williams pictured receiving the trophy on Aidan Bruney's behalf, and Chairman of the Board – Mr. Pheonix Belfield.*

“Since the passage of Hurricane Maria, more focus has been placed on the fragility of our island states. Corp-EFF Insurance Company Ltd is encouraging public discussions on the subject of climate change and its impact on the region, and is actively seeking to work with other stake holders, in presenting practical solutions to established and emerging issues.

As part of this educational drive, CICL partnered with Mr. Denis Garand, the company’s Actuary, to offer a formal platform to students to voice their opinions on the relevant issues of climate change. Students were encouraged to present solutions from their perspective and in keeping with a set criterion for the competition. With an objective to share the observations and possible solutions with Government agencies and Youth organizations, CICL hopes that the national discussion will be enriched, as we work collectively to re-build a more resilient region.

In association with the Ministry of Education, the National Essay Competition was launched on September 5<sup>th</sup> among College and Secondary school students, Forms 3 to 5<sup>th</sup> on the Topic: **“How can Dominica and other Islands become more resilient to the negative impacts of climate change?”**

The competition ran from September 5<sup>th</sup> to November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The winners were announced at a prize giving ceremony at our office location on 13b King George V Street, Roseau on December 17<sup>th</sup>. The top performers were

- Zinielle Vital – Convent High School
- Jeressa Latoya Jeremy – Dominica State College
- Aidan Bruney – North Eastern Comprehensive School

Collectively, winners and their schools benefitted from cash prizes amounting to US\$4,000. While the overall cash investment in the competition far exceeded the cash prizes awarded, we are very pleased with the outcome and the quality of the submissions.”

We look forward to continue collaborating on issues of national development in the future.

CONGRATULATIONS!!! - To all who participated and indeed the top three winners of the competition.

WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU.