

FIRST CITIZENS AWARDS \$10,000 PRIZE FOR INNOVATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

At the Faculty of Science and Technology's Annual Prizes and Awards Ceremony held at the Daaga Auditorium on Tuesday 23rd October, 2018, Dr. Sterling Frost – Deputy Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Operations and Administration at First Citizens, announced that First Citizens will sponsor the first ever **INNOVATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AWARD**.



Dr. Sterling Frost, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Operations and Administration at First Citizens.

Dr. Frost emphasized in his speech, the need for Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Science and Technology and encouraged students to follow through on their work and discoveries. He pledged First Citizen's commitment to the FST and to the cause by offering a **TT\$10,000** annual prize to be

awarded to individuals or groups whose research project is adjudged to be innovative, ground breaking and has strong potential to be commercialized. The prize winners would also benefit from financial guidance and banking support. Research that directly impacts the local society and involves multiple disciplines will be especially encouraged.

Dr. Frost encouraged all prize winning students to continue striving for excellence in their chosen fields.

First Citizens has maintained a long and successful relationship with the University of the West Indies and in particular the Faculty of Science and Technology. They are a sponsor of the UWI-Half Marathon as well as the FCB/DCIT Internship Program, both of which have proven to be extremely successful ventures.

The new award will support the Faculty of Science and Technology's Technical Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Science Program, which is currently on the drawing board, and is intended to serve to encourage the development and improvement of indigenous technologies.