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RBC's Chief Economist shares insights with Bahamian clients

NASSAU, November 14, 2025 – RBC Royal Bank (Bahamas) Limited recently hosted an Economic Forum featuring Frances Donald, Senior Vice President and Chief Economist at RBC. Donald, a key expert on economic issues, shared her insights on the global and regional forces shaping today's economy.

The event brought together valued clients, community partners and senior government officials, offering them direct access to expert thought leadership on key economic issues shaping the world.

During a discussion with Chris Duggan, RBC's CEO of Caribbean Banking, Donald discussed timely topics including inflation and tariffs, the next economy, the global tourism outlook, and the k-shaped economy.

Among those in attendance were the Hon. Philip Davis, Prime Minister of The Bahamas; Hon. Chester Cooper, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Tourism, Aviation and Investments, and Senator Hon. Michael Halkitis, Minister of Economic Affairs.

Minister Halkitis delivered remarks highlighting the strong partnership between RBC and the Government of The Bahamas, emphasizing the role of private-sector collaboration in advancing national economic goals.

Highly sought after by clients, government leaders, policymakers, and media across the U.S. and Canada, Donald is recognized for her ability to make complex economic issues accessible and relevant to diverse audiences.

"At RBC, our purpose is to help our clients thrive and communities prosper. We were honored to have Frances Donald share her expertise with our clients and partners," said Ericka Rolle, Managing Director and Vice President, Personal Banking, The Bahamas and Turks & Caicos. "She delivered complex economic insights in such a clear and practical way, offering real-world context that resonated deeply with our audience. This level of access to top industry experts reflects our ongoing commitment to empowering our clients with the knowledge and perspective they need to make informed decisions in a rapidly changing economy."

The economic forum highlights the bank's commitment to fostering dialogue and providing thought leadership on global economic trends and their impact on the Caribbean and our clients.



From left: Chris Duggan, CEO of RBC Caribbean Banking and RBC Financial (Caribbean) Limited; Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Tourism, Investments, and Aviation, the Hon. I. Chester Cooper; Frances Donald, RBC's Chief Economist; Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, the Hon. Philip Davis; Ericka Rolle, Managing Director and Vice President, Personal Banking, The Bahamas and Turks and Caicos Islands, RBC Royal Bank (Bahamas) Limited; and Minister of State for Economic Affairs, Senator the Hon. Michael Halkitis.



Frances Donald, RBC's Senior Vice President & Chief Economist chats with Chris Duggan, RBC's CEO Caribbean Banking and RBC Financial (Caribbean) Limited.



Prime Minister the Hon. Philip Davis and Chris Duggan, CEO of RBC Caribbean Banking and RBC Financial (Caribbean) Limited



A packed room of invited guests at RBC's Economic Forum featuring Frances Donald.

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