## **Corporate Governance Expert For Mayberry Investor Forum**



International expert on corporate governance, Oliver Orton, will be the guest speaker for the 2017 finale of the Mayberry Investments Limited's invitation-only monthly Investor Forum, scheduled for this Wednesday at The Jamaica Pegasus Hotel in New Kingston.

Orton is the regional manager of Corporate Governance for Latin America and the Caribbean at the International Finance Corporation (IFC), the private-sector arm of the World Bank Group.

He has worked with IFC since 2010. He managed IFC's corporate governance programmes in Eastern Europe and Central Asia and now oversees the programme in Latin America and the Caribbean from IFC's offices in Bogota, Colombia.

Orton is a lawyer by training and holds a BA and an MA in law from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.

In addition to the Mayberry Forum, Orton will speak at seminars with the Jamaica Stock Exchange on Tuesday and the EXIM Bank on Thursday, as part of a series of seminars hosted by Mayberry.

## WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE

"There is no doubt that he has a wealth of knowledge in the area of corporate governance, and from a global perspective. This, we believe, is a topic that will greatly benefit our exporters, companies looking to go public, family-owned businesses and even established businesses. We are confident that our guests throughout the week will find his presentations insightful and educational," said Anika Jengelley, assistant vice-president of marketing at Mayberry.

Orton's presentation will focus on investors' views of corporate governance and how firms can approach corporate governance with a global mindset.

"In Jamaica, as indeed the wider region, good corporate governance can make a big difference in helping companies grow and attract new investors. Critically, it assists in ensuring the sustainability of businesses over the longer term, which in turn helps strengthen a country's economy," Orton said. "Our global corporate governance team has a long track record of helping companies of all types and sizes build the conditions necessary for long-term success."

With 12 member countries in the English-speaking Caribbean, IFC's strategy focuses on creating jobs and inclusive growth, promoting regional integration and competitiveness, and supporting climate-friendly investments that leverage the region's renewable energy potential and reduce the heavy burden of oil imports. IFC has a committed investment portfolio in the English-speaking Caribbean of US\$214 million across a broad range of sectors. This includes about US\$47 million mobilised from partnering institutions.