

# EMPOWERING THE CARIBBEAN WITH DATA-DRIVEN INSIGHTS

## Steering Committee Meeting November 2024



### Four Key Activities

Data Communication

**Creating Data Stories** 

**Data Storytelling Training** 

**Disseminating Data Stories** 

The Business of Data Storytelling







### Stakeholder Engagement

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Collect, process, analyze, impactful data



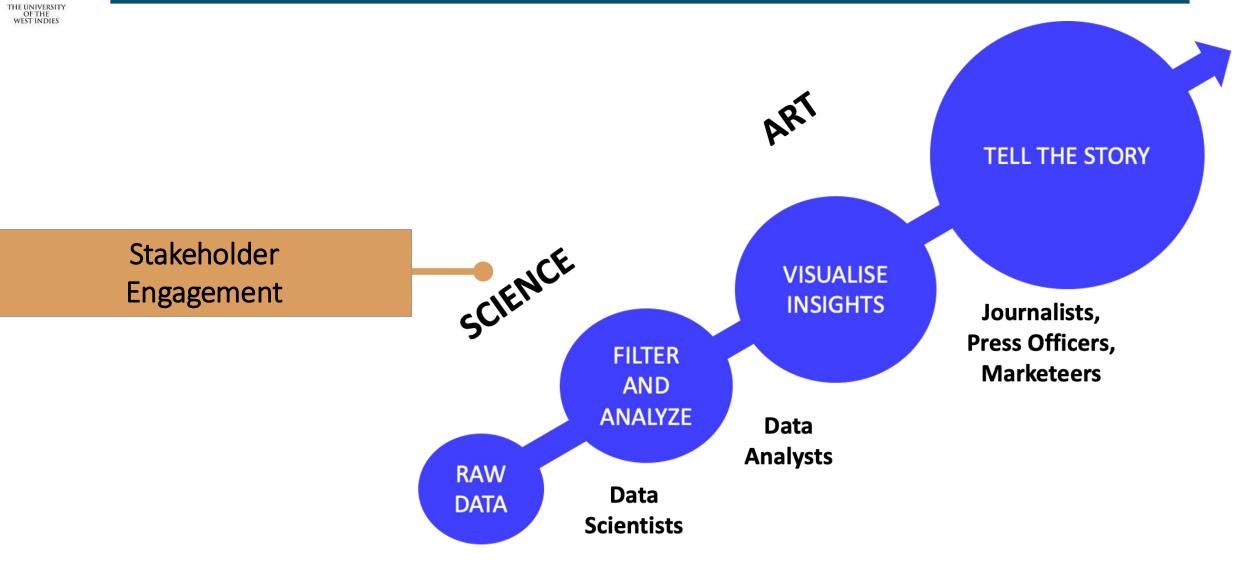
Tell powerful, relevant, timely, stories that generate interest and create engagement







### The Current Process is 50:50 "technology" and "human"







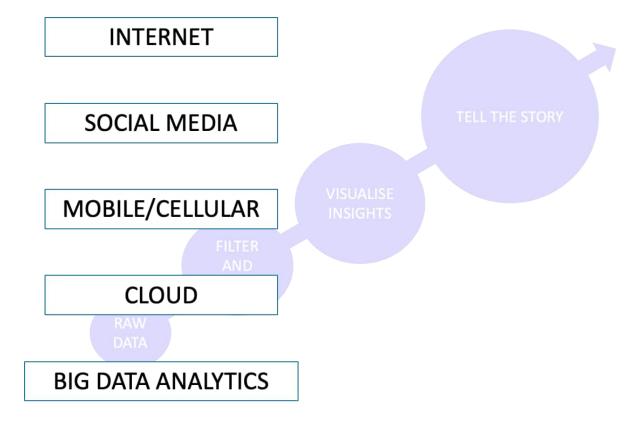


### Foundational Technologies

How data stories are created and consumed.

#### **FOUNDATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES**

Stakeholder Engagement





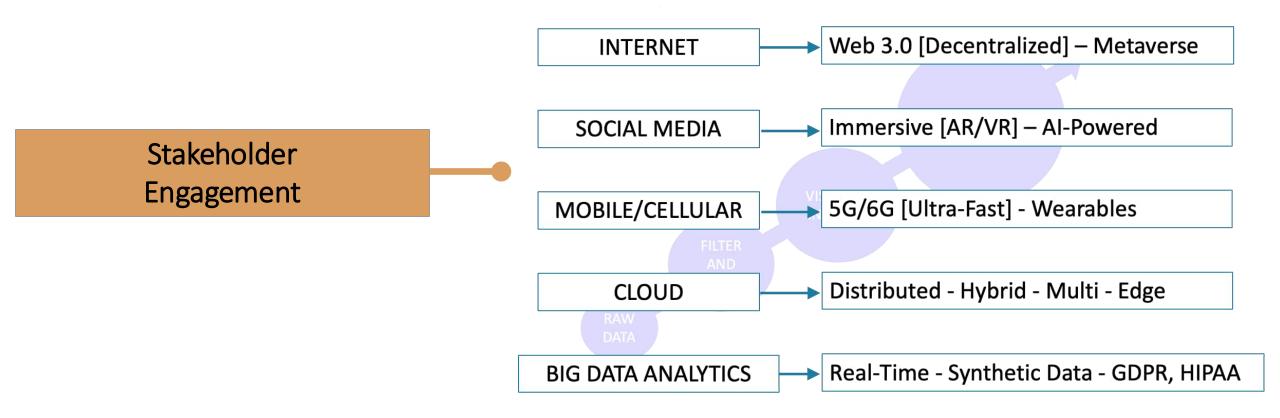




### Exponential Accelerated Development and Adoption

How data stories will be created and consumed.

#### **FOUNDATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES**









### Exponential Accelerated Development and Adoption

Extremely rapid deployment of LLMs is massive accellerant

Stakeholder Engagement



**COGNITIVE COMPUTING/AI** 

LARGE LANGUAGE MODELS [LLMs]







### The Future of Data Storytelling

Stakeholder Engagement **Automated Data-to-Story Process** 

**Dedicated Digital Data Storytelling Website** 

**Interactivity with AI components** 

**Al Newsreader with Dynamic Narratives** 



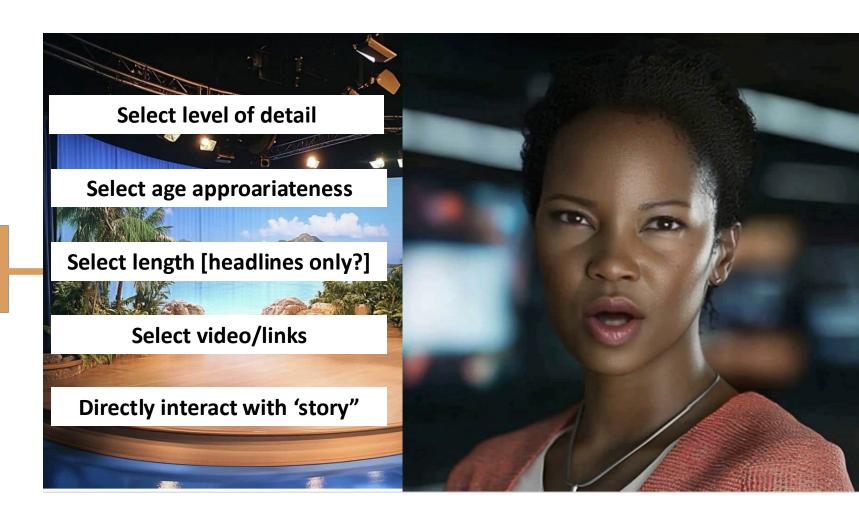






### The Future of Data Storytelling

Stakeholder Engagement









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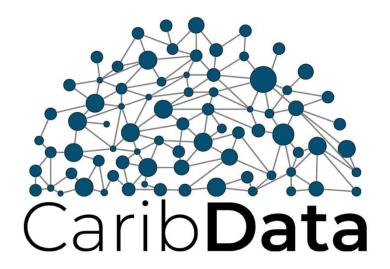
### **Testing Results**

- 1. Long delays in Denzil's (avatar) start of the news report.
- When spoken to, Denzil responded well at times. However, most times he became silent and stopped responding altogether when spoken to.
- 3. Denzil would not respond via the message box prompt either.
- 4. Denzil's face would disappear for most of the interaction, as shown below.



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**EXPLORE DATA STORIES** 

#### ABOUT CARIBDATA COLLECTIVE

CaribDataCollective is a collaborative data initiative that brings together insights, storytelling, and community-driven intelligence to drive equitable growth across the Caribbean.







#### DISCOVER THE CARIBDATA PLATFORM

Explore our evolving platform, offering real-time insights, interactive data storytelling, and community-driven intelligence. By leveraging cutting-edge data visualization tools and regional collaboration, CaribDataCollective empowers decision-makers, researchers, and the public to uncover trends, analyze critical issues, and drive meaningful change across the Caribbean.

#### LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PLATFORM

#### GET INVOLVED WITH THE CARIBDATA COLLECTIVE

Join our growing community of data contributors, researchers, and change-makers. Whether you have insights to share, want to collaborate, or are eager to explore new data-driven stories, CaribDataCollective welcomes you.

I Submit Data - Help expand our dataset by sharing valuable insights.

Partner with Us - Collaborate with us on regional data initiatives.

Join as a Data Storyteller - Help translate raw data into compelling narratives.

#### GET INVOLVED NOW

#### **CONTACT US**

Have questions, feedback, or collaboration ideas? Get in touch with us and let's explore the power of data together.

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News journalism is more diverse, and in many cases, better than ever.

Media organisations no longer gatekeepers, platform companies control access to audiences.

Business models for traditional news processes are challenged

Digital media drives people to more diverse sources of information "automated serendipity"

Journalism is losing people's attention, and in some countries, the public's trust

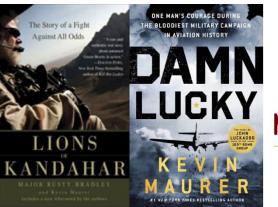


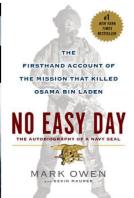
### **Kevin Maurer**

### **DATA JOURNALIST**

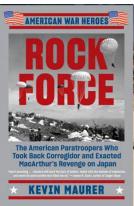
Pulitzer-Prize Winning Author, Media Specialist New York Times bestselling co-author

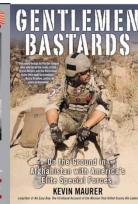
- known for transforming complex data into engaging and understandable narratives
- track record of producing impactful stories for major news outlets and online platforms
- topics from public health to environmental issues
- worked in Ukraine, Afghanistan, Iraq, Haiti, and Africa
- incl. Washington Post, GQ, Men's Journal, The Daily Beast.







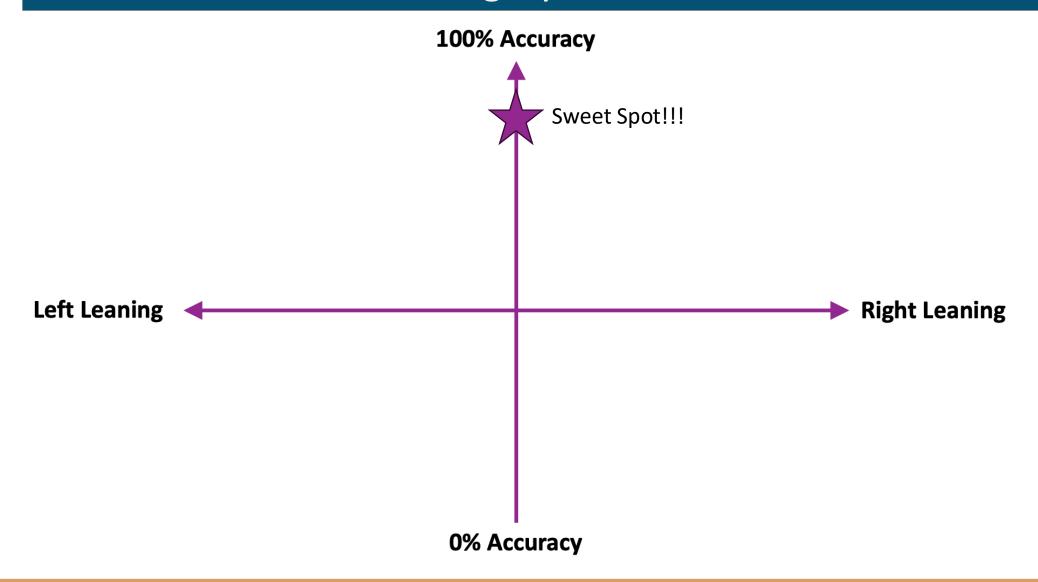








### Integrity and Bias

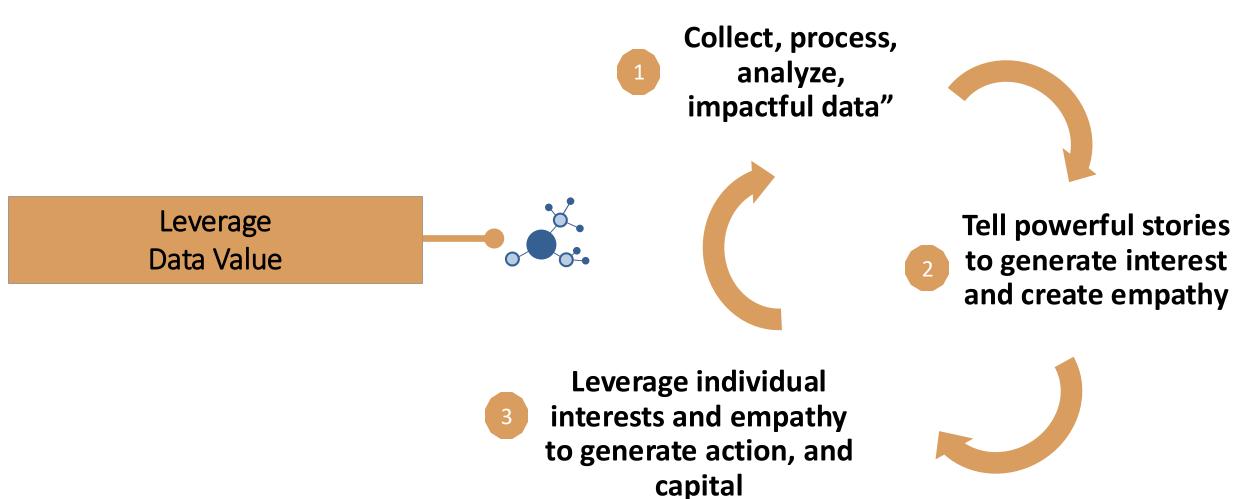








### Sustainability & Growth

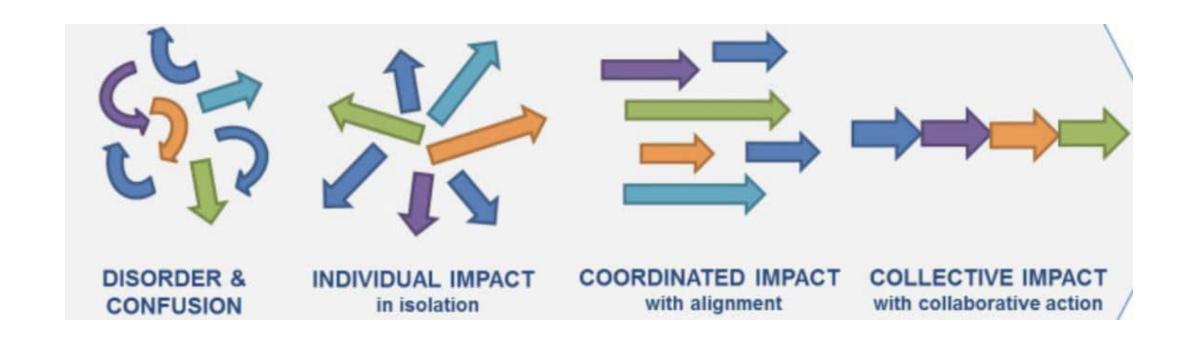








### The Future of Data Storytelling









Collective Impact brings people together in a structured way to achieve social change.



# Improve Infrastructure and Capability of Government Data Statistical Offices in the Caribbean

Build Resilient Infrastructure: Systems capable of supporting regional needs

Standardize Data Practices: Consistency in data collection, storage, governance

Empower Decision-Making: Data that is accessible, actionable, used effectively

Enhance Skills and Capacity: Training and resources for a skilled data science workforce

Promote Data Use and Dissemination: Serve stakeholders across region

**Execute a Sustainable, Scalable Business Strategy: Survive then Thrive** 

# Data has Value

Virtually every aspect of society leverages data science.

Profitability, societal impact, and speed of transformation are all major end-points of optimised data use.



Virtually every sector leverages data science.

Financial Services: e.g. fraud detection

Healthcare: e.g. predictive analytics

Retail and E-commerce: e.g. dynamic pricing

Transportation and Logistics: e.g. route optimization

Energy and Utilities: e.g. smart grids

Media and Entertainment: e.g. ad placements



#### Data-as-a-Service (DaaS)

- data on-demand for market research firms
- Subscriptions, pay-per-use, tiered access pricing

#### Insights-as-a-Service (laaS)

- process raw data into actionable insights for clients
- consulting fees, subscriptions for analytics dashboards

#### **Data Marketplaces**

- · buy, sell, or exchange aggregated consumer data
- transaction fees, commissions, subscription fees

#### **Licensing Data**

- license proprietary or difficult to obtain datasets
- licensing agreements, royalties on recurring use.

#### **Freemium**

- free basic datasets but charging for advanced features
- premium subscriptions or upgrades.

#### **Embedded Data**

- integrate data insights into products
- service fees for data-powered features.

#### **Advertising and Targeted Marketing**

- create hyper-targeted advertising campaigns
- advertising fees, revenue sharing from ad placements.

#### Value-Based

- charge based on outcomes or impact of data solutions
- performance-based fees or commissions

#### **Data-Driven Partnerships**

- share data with partners for joint value creation
- revenue-sharing, licensing deals.

#### Training AI/ML

- collect data to train AI and commercialize solutions
- SaaS pricing, licensing

## **No Shortage of Business Models**

# **Hybrid Data Ecosystem**

In-Network [NSOs, Govt, Universities, Industry, NGOs, SMEs, Not-for-Profit, Charities]

data shared freely with all contributors

data shared freely externally to foster innovation or for social good

### Out-of-Network [NSOs, Govt, Universities, Industry, NGOs, SMEs, Not-for-Profit, Charities]

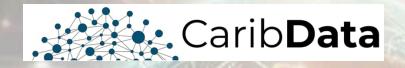
- indirect revenues supporting clients' market leadership or ecosystem growth
  - sub-licensing combined data + public data
  - fees for advanced analytics (insights-as-a-service)
  - paid membership subscriptions for access to proprietary reports, insights
    - consulting
    - philanthropic investment for specific aligned targets

# CaribData Collective

Purpose-Trained Data Scientists/Journalists

Data Dissemination Strategy

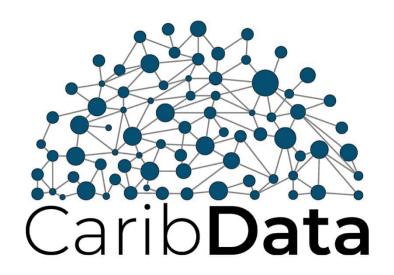
Latest Data Storytelling Technology



### **Vision Statement**

"We envision a CaribData Collective where collaborators, no matter how small, access transformative insights generated from shared data."

"By integrating the latest data storytelling technology, with the integrity and impartiality of purpose-trained data scientists and journalists, CaribData will create a **unified regional platform**, and execute a long-term, **self-sustaining strategy** to inspire social engagement, foster trust, empower collaboration, and drive equitable, data-driven growth for all."

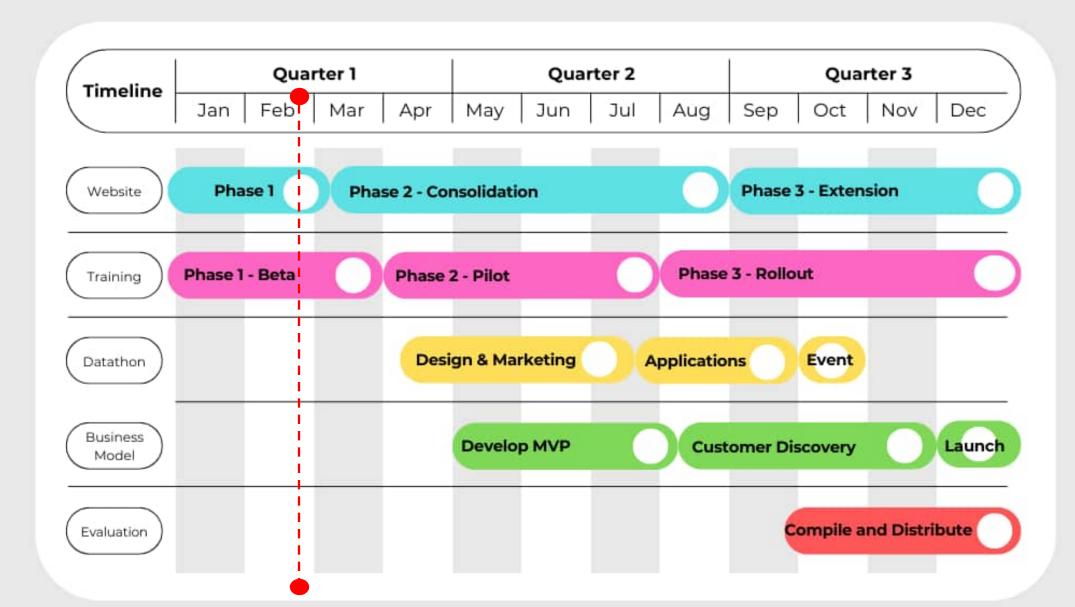


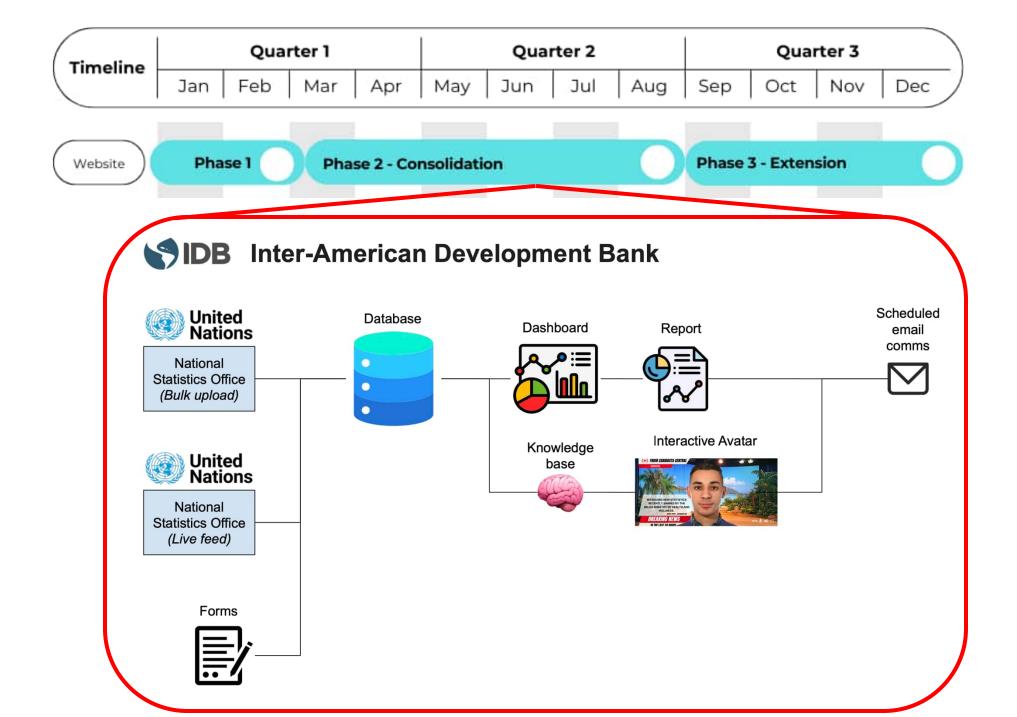
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### **Communication Framework**

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Quarter 1 Quarter 2 Quarter 3 **Timeline** Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Phase 1 Phase 3 - Extension Phase 2 - Consolidation Website Phase 3 - Rollout Phase 1 - Beta Phase 2 - Pilot Training Design & Marketing Applications Event Datathon Business **Develop MVP Customer Discovery** Launch Model Compile and Distribute Evaluation

### **Advancing Data Storytelling**

Empower your data. Tell impactful stories. Drive meaningful change.

**Duration:** 8 weeks

Format: 100% online/virtual

**Credits:** 3 credits [accreditation pending]

\* Mode of Learning: Engaging mix of self-paced exercises, case studies, and interactive assessments



#### What You'll Learn

- data-driven storytelling techniques to engage audiences and inform decision-making
- problem-solving skills through real-world case studies in health and climate change
- hands-on experience with data visualization tools

\* Opportunity: apply your knowledge in a Storython, where you'll craft and present a compelling data story

#### **Course Structure**

- each module follows same structured approach
- Introduction: objectives, learning outcomes, key concepts
- **Theory:** core principles through texts, videos, and illustrations
- Self-guided exercises: practical applications and exercises
- Assessment: auto/instructor-graded quizzes and assignments

\* **Key Features:** single case study throughout course for deeper learning; flexible learning to suit busy professionals

\* Future: sponsored Capstone Project opportunities post-course for real-world application.

### **Advancing Data Storytelling**

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#### Who Should Apply?

If you are a **data scientist, journalist, researcher, or policymaker** looking to elevate your storytelling and visualization skills, this course is for you.

**Secure Your Spot Today!** Visit **CaribData.org** to learn more and apply for the next cohort.

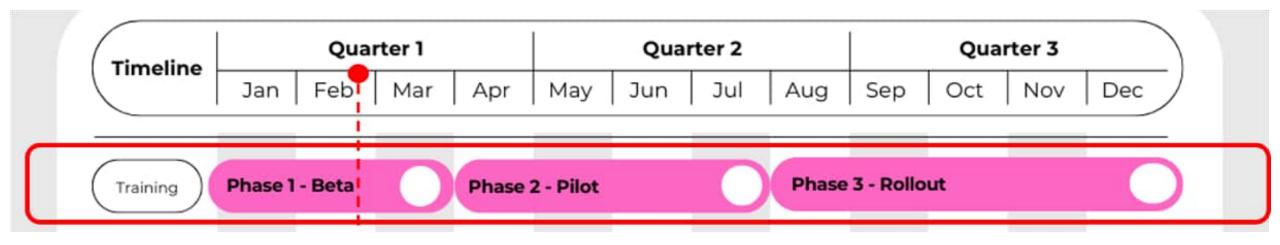
#### **Enrolment**

**Course Fee**: \$4500 (payment plans available)

**Start Date**: Rolling intakes, multiple cohorts per year

Class Size: Optimized for interaction (Cohorts of 6 - 10 students)

### **Training Schedules**



Eo March: Beta [test] Identify administrative, technical, and content-related issues in small controlled group

- Expect platform glitches, scheduling conflicts, module pacing issues, poor engagement, feedback gaps
- **Response:** Pinpoint & fix major content, tech & admin issues, assess initial participant reactions, adjust course length, activities, materials

**Eo July: Pilot [rehearsal]** fully structured trial to ensure all course elements work as intended.

• Expect - minor refinements, but no major overhauls after this stage

### **Training Schedules**



#### **Key Goals for Beta**

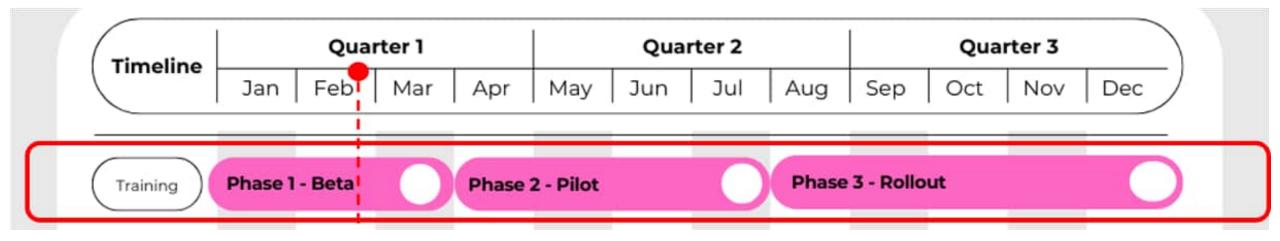
- Identify content clarity issues Is the material clear, structured, and engaging?
- Find technical issues Do platforms, visualization tools, and interactive features work?
- Assess delivery effectiveness Does the structure flow well? Are discussions engaging?
- Gather participant feedback What works? What's confusing? What needs improvement?
- ✓ Test logistics Scheduling, coordination, admin workflows.

#### **Key Goals for Pilot**

- Deliver course in its final form—content, schedule, materials, and interactions should be fully refined.
- Test scalability—Can this program work for a larger audience (20-30 participants)?
- Ensure admin & tech processes work seamlessly (enrollment, course navigation, support).
- Measure engagement & outcomes—Are people understanding, participating, and benefiting?
- ✓ Train instructors & moderators—Can facilitators deliver the course without issues?

Delivered asynchronously through self-paced modules and recordings, including quizzes, project reviews.

### **Training Schedules**



**Eo March: Beta** [test & improve with 6 participants]

- Can we agree a window for this date?
- Can we commit to 1 or 2 participants from each NSO?

Eo July: Pilot [dress rehearsal with 6 participants]

- Can we agree a window for this date?
- Can we commit to 1 or 2 participants from each NSO?
- Who should be beta and pilot participants?







Five-Part
Storytelling
Structure

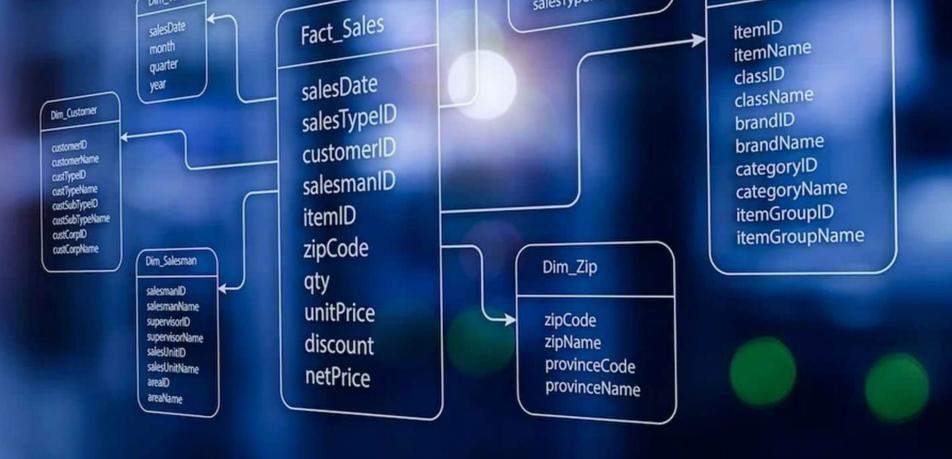
Setting the stage: issues and characters

Data-driven context: why does the story matter

Humanizing the story: anecdotes & real-world cues

Analysis & interpretation: expert/local perspectives

Resolution: closing the loop, answering the initial question



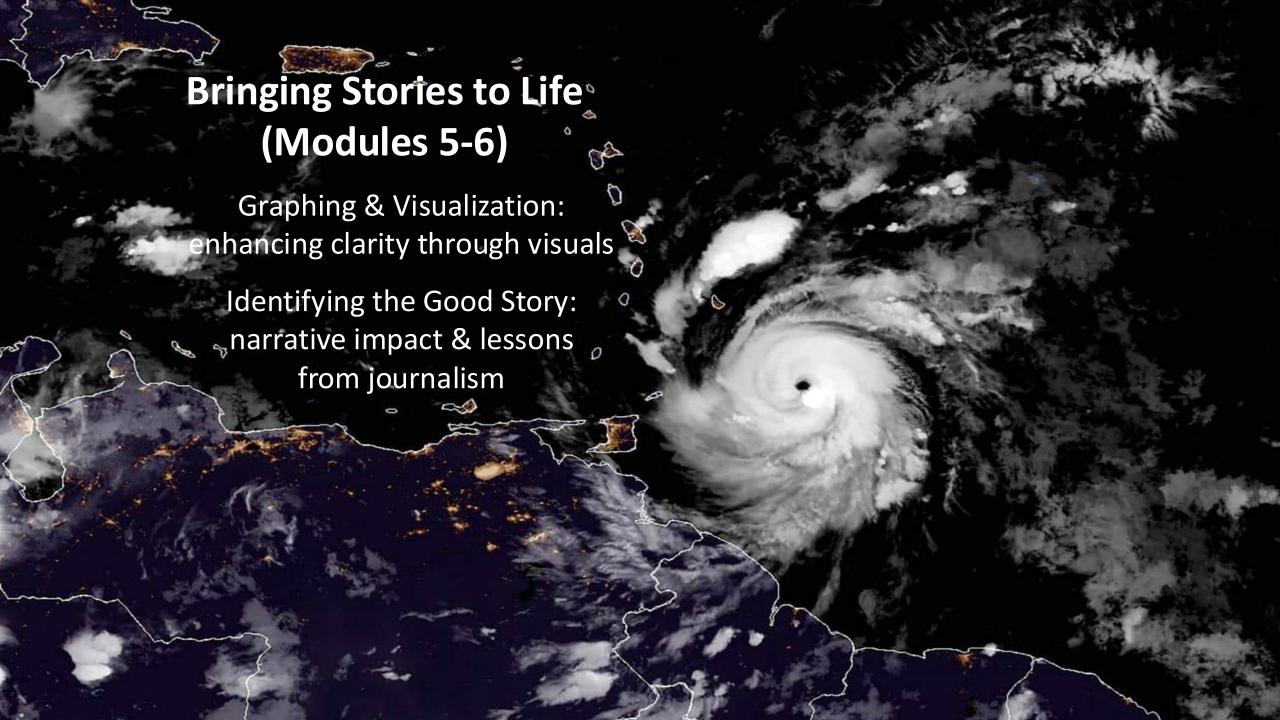
Exploring & Modelling Data, and Story Awareness (Modules 1-4)

Understand data (bias, errors, assumptions, misinterpretation)

Modelling for clarity & audience impact

Align data with an impactful narrative

Ensure data relevance: adjacent datasets, alternative story angles



# Module 7: Skills in a Real-World Context

Hands-on creativity, collaboration, audience Integrating storytelling techniques for impact.

# Module 8: Storython

real-world stories competitive event











### Discussion

What is the right balance?

Data Science vs. Human Journalism Al & Automation vs. Classic Data Science





