Abbreviations and acronyms

BSE Barbados Stock Exchange CARICOM Caribbean Community

CCRIF Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility

CET Common External Tariff

ECCB Eastern Caribbean Central Bank
ECCU Eastern Caribbean Currency Union

ECD Eastern Caribbean Dollar

ECSM Eastern Caribbean Securities Market

ESF Exogenous Shocks Facility

EU European Union

FIA Financial Institutions Act

FIEL Fundación de Investigaciones Económicas Latinoamericanas (Foundation

for Economic Research on Latin America)

GDP gross domestic product

GIS Geographic Information System

GLS generalised least square

HSF Heritage and Stablisation Fund, Trinidad and Tobago

IDB Inter-American Development Bank
IMF International Monetary Fund
JDX Jamaica Debt Exchange
ISE International Stock Exchange

JSE Jamaica Stock Exchange
NIP National Industrial Policy

OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

OECS Organization of Eastern Caribbean States

PPP public-private partnership

PRGF Poverty Reduction and Growth Facility

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TTSE Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange
UNDP United Nations Development Programme

USD US dollar

VAR vector autoregressive VAT value added tax

WTO World Trade Organization