UNFCCC Expert Meeting on Loss and Damage

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CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY CLIMATE CHANGE CENTRE

The CCCCC

CARICOM Specialised Institution

* Coordinating mechanism for the Region's response to climate change

* Objectives, include:

- Enhancing regional institutional capabilities for the coordination of national responses to the adverse effects of climate change and taking advantage of any opportunities presented
- Providing comprehensive policy and technical support in the area of Climate Change and related issues and spearheading regional initiatives in those areas

Policy Direction

In 2009 the Caribbean Community Heads of Government approved two significant policy documents to address Climate Change and its response in the Caribbean. They are:

- * the **Liliendaal Declaration** on Climate Change and Development which defines the national and international positions of the CARICOM member states.
- * In support of the Declaration, A Regional Framework for Achieving Development Resilient to Climate Change prepared by the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre

The Regional Framework for Achieving Development resilient to Climate Change



Mainstreaming Climate
Change into the
SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT AGENDA
and work programmes of
public and private
institutions in all Caribbean
Community countries at all
levels



Promoting systems and actions to REDUCE THE VULNERABILITY of Caribbean Community countries to global Climate Change wherever possible



Promoting measures to
DERIVE BENEFIT FROM THE
PRUDENT MANAGEMENT of
forests, wetlands, and the
natural environment, in
general, and to protect that
natural environment



Promoting actions and arrangements to REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, including those aimed at energy-use efficiency by increasingly resorting to low-emission renewable energy sources

The Implementation Plan for the Regional Framework

seeks to guide the identification and prioritisation of actions by regional and national stakeholders under each strategic element and goal area of the Regional Framework through the use of **risk management** approaches to decision-making.

acknowledges that a transformational change in mind set, institutional arrangements, operating systems, collaborative approaches and integrated planning mechanisms are essential to deliver the strategic elements and goals of the regional framework.

Requirements for SIDS to address Loss and Damage

Capacity Building

 assessment, planning and implementation of rrm's for key sectors –increased information –data and analytical capacity

Risk Management

 tools and instruments – Captive Insurance systems – reinvestments of premium in SIDS

Economic Valuation

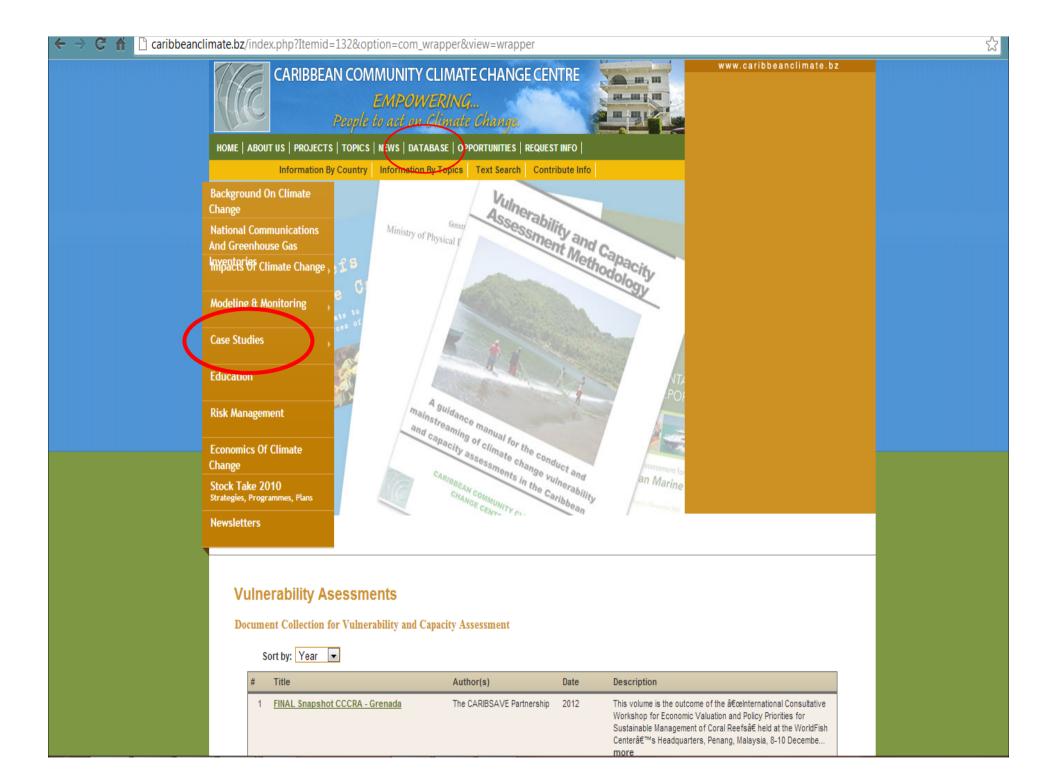
• identification of key economic assets and valuation

Economic SLindo, ccccc Diversification

• develop a more resilient economy

The CCCCC Clearinghouse

- * Database: vulnerability assessments
- * Climate map: given scenario at a given point in time, by area and country
- Next generation geospatial data maps showing areas of high risk





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The CARICOM Region and other Caribbean

Participating Countries 1. Antiqua and Barbuda

2. The Bahamas 3. Barbados

4. Belize

5. Dominica 6. Grenada 7. Guyana 8. Haiti 9. Jamaica

10. Montserrat 11. Saint Lucia

14. Suriname

16. Anguilla* 17. Bermuda* 18. British Virgin Islands*

12. St. Kitts and Nevis

15. Trinidad and Tobago

19. Cayman Islands* 20. Turks and Caicos Islands* *Associate member states

13. St. Vincent and the Grenadines

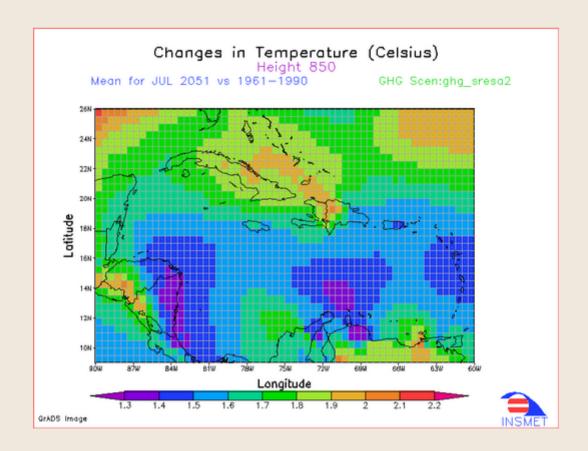
Regional Climate Model

Document Collection

Strategies, Programmes, Plans

Regional Climate Model





Caribbean Risk Management Framework and Toolkit

Risk management

* assists in the selection of optimal cost-effective strategies for reducing vulnerability, using a systematic and transparent process.

The **CCCCC** is spearheading a **Project** that will:

- Support climate compatible development in the Caribbean
- * Embed considerations of climate change across the Caribbean, through the development of regional approach to risk management and the creation of a risk ethic in decision making.

Caribbean Risk Management Framework and Toolkit

Caribbean Risk Management Project:

Phase 1 will be the development of a risk management, webbased tool to guide decision making.

Phase 2 will provide in-depth training for country decision-makers.

Phase 3 will undertake detailed risk assessments in selected countries.

Develop a risk management tool and an online stress tool

Economic Assessment Short-term loss (Hurricanes and Storms)

2000-2011 – 23 tropical storms and hurricanes

- Over USD \$ 4B* in damages
- 3,876+ lives lost

Year	Tropical Cyclone	Affected countries in the	Economic Losses	Loss of Life
		Caribbean	(\$ M)	
2004	Earl (TS)	Grenada	(12 homes)	
		St. Vincent & Grenadines	(banana crops)	
	Ivan	Total	\$3 B (CDB)	
		Barbados	(176 homes)	1
		Cayman Islands	\$ 1.85B (95% of	2
			homes/infrastructure lost)	
		Grenada	\$ 815 M (14,000 homes, 80%	39
			nutmeg trees destroyed)	
		Jamaica	\$ 360 M (47,000 damaged,	17
			5,600 homes lost)	
		St. Vincent & Grenadines	\$ 40 M (50 homes damaged)	
		St. Lucia	\$ 2.6 M	
		Tobago	(damage to homes and	1
			utilities)	
	Jean	Haiti	(200,000 persons lost their	3,000+
			homes)	·
2010	Tomas	St. Lucia	337	8
		Barbados	8.5	
		St. Vincent & Grenadines	3.3	
		Haiti		35
				Source: NOAA





Combined events

Hurricane Tomas in St. Lucia

- Following a period of prolonged drought,
- Infrastructure in ill-fitting locations,
- Resulting in incredible damages to infrastructure

Economic Assessment Long-term loss (Sea-level rise 1m)

Total Economic Losses

- * GDP loss = > US\$ 1.2 billion per year (cumulatively US\$30 billion if 1m SLR occurs in 2075)
- * Permanently lost land value = US\$ 70 billion +
- * Reconstruction / relocation costs = \$ 4.64 billion

Economic Losses by Sector (Sea-level rise 1m)



Tourism

- 16 \$\$\$M resorts lost
- Replacement value of USD \$1.6 B



Transport

- 10% of island airports at USD \$715 M
- 14 of 50 ports inundated, USD \$ 320 M
- Reconstruction cost of lost roads exceeds US\$ 178 million (6% of



Infrastructure

- Over 2,700 km2 land area lost (10% of The Bahamas)
- Cost to rebuild basic housing, roads and services (water, electricity) for displaced population approximately US\$
 1.8 billion

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Economic Losses by Sector (Sea-level rise 1m)



Displaced persons

• Over 100,000 people displaced (8% of population in Suriname, 5% of The Bahamas, 3% Belize)



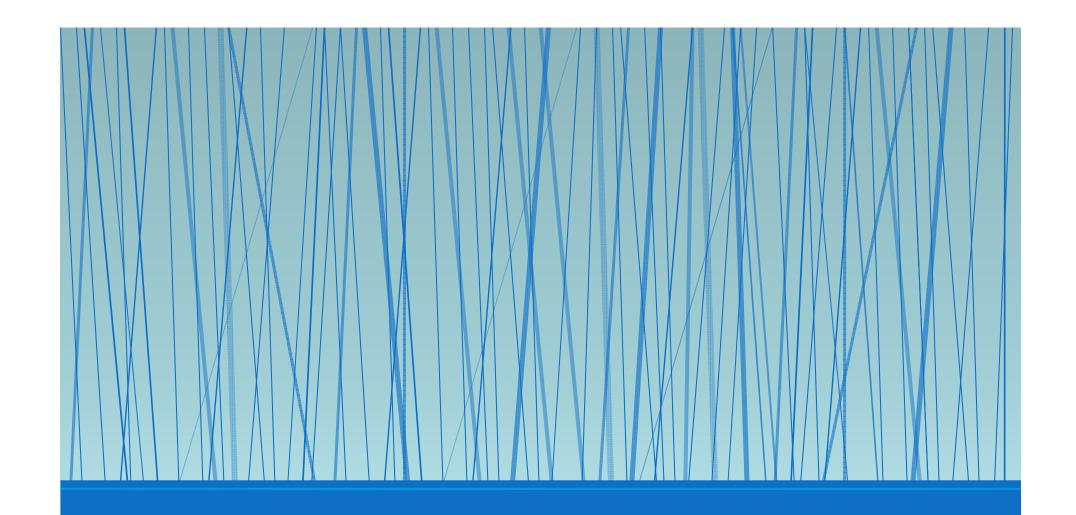
Agriculture

 Over 1% agricultural land lost, with implications for food supply and rural livelihoods (4% in Suriname, 3% in The Bahamas, 2% in Jamaica)

Building a resilient Region

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TRANSFORMATIONAL CHANGE



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