

# Regional Collaboration Center St George's October 2021



**Regional Collaboration Centre – St. George's**  
Promoting Climate Action in the Caribbean

**Dear RCC Stakeholder,**

Welcome to RCC St. George's October Newsletter. In this edition, we are delighted to bring you news highlights from RCC St. George's and the UNFCCC Secretariat. You will also find some interesting opportunities and resources. We are happy to share some of our past events and read on to mark your calendars for what's to come.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### UN High-Level Climate Champion, Nigel Topping visits Grenada.



The High-Level Climate Champion of the United Kingdom, Mr. Nigel Topping, visited Grenada to engage with governments and stakeholders. He focused on connecting initiatives, coalitions, and non-Party stakeholders with national action plans to support strong climate action in the Caribbean.

Read [more](#).

### 2021 UN Global Climate Action Award Winners unveiled!

The recipients of a special 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary edition of the United Nations Global Climate Action Awards have been announced, shining a light on innovative examples of what people across the globe are doing to combat climate change ahead of the pivotal UN Climate Change Conference ([COP 26](#)) in Glasgow later this month.



## 116 new or updated NDCs from 143 Parties in update of NDC synthesis report

[Antigua and Barbuda](#) submitted their new or updated NDCs in time for publication of an update of the key findings of the NDC synthesis report.

Read more about the report [here](#)



## OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES

### Opportunity to participate in a new events industry initiative: Net zero carbon events

The Net Zero Carbon Events initiative will connect the events industry to the movement towards net-zero emissions by 2050. The initial objective is a call for contributions towards creating a Net Zero Pledge for the Events Industry.



You can engage with the initiative by registering [here](#)

### Vacancy Announcement

**The UNFCCC-WINDREF RCC St. George's** is recruiting for a consultancy position based in Grenada, a Climate Finance Expert supporting climate finance mobilization in the Caribbean

**How to apply** – Candidates with qualifications and experience to match the position can please send your resume, a one-page letter of motivation and cover letter to Dr. Randall Waechter at [RWaechte@sgu.edu](mailto:RWaechte@sgu.edu) and [rcsteorges@unfccc.int](mailto:rcsteorges@unfccc.int). Please indicate "Climate Finance Expert" in your email subject

Deadline for submission of CV and cover letter is **15 November 2021**

### The HEY Campaign Re-imagine Eco cultural Festival

In order to activate our creativity, we must make climate change a relatable social and cultural issue by focusing on our habits of

consumption and ideas about nature to positively shape how we interact with our environment.

Through **HEY** we want to make climate change a socially relatable topic to young persons to get them more involved in climate action.

The Re-Imagine Eco-Cultural Festival will have 3 challenge themes: Fashion, Photo and Video.

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THE HEY CAMPAIGN

Eco-Cultural Festival Competition

Re-Imagine Videography

Videos must creatively address problems/solutions highlighted in the following reports:

- The Sixth Assessment Report of Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change
- UNICEF Report - Climate Crisis Child Rights

Videos should be no longer than 3 minutes in length.

- Short title and a text of maximum 500 characters outlining the video in English.
- Videos can be short story, animations, acting or anything similar.
- The final video should be submitted in MPEG, MOV or WMV formats.

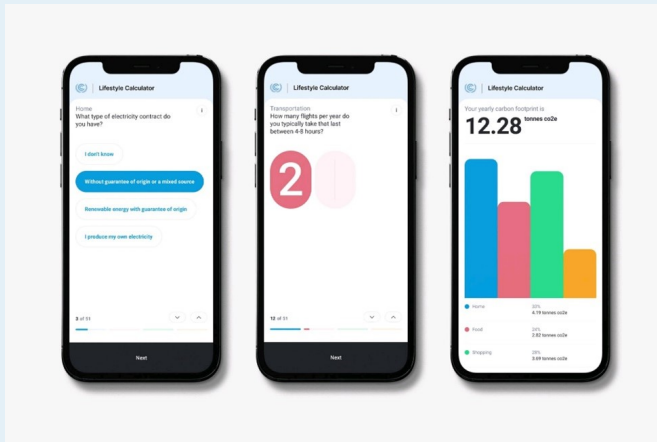
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More information is available on our Website at  
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## Carbon Footprint Calculators launched!



The Swedish tech company 'Doconomy', in partnership with UNFCCC Secretariat, has launched an online tool to help individuals calculate their carbon footprint so they can understand how their everyday decisions impact the climate and enable them to take effective climate action: ***Lifestyle Calculator***. It offers a standardized method for everyone to calculate their carbon footprint regardless of where they live in the world.

It is open for public through [here](#).

A calculator for organizations, **Greenhouse Gas Emissions Calculator**, has been prepared by the UNFCCC secretariat and it's available [here](#).

## Workshop report on the Carbon market and related mechanisms is now published!

The [workshop on Carbon Markets and related mechanisms](#) was organized in coordination with the World Bank Transformative Carbon Asset Facility ([TCAF](#)), GIZ's Global Carbon Market Project ([GCM](#)), and RCC St. George's.

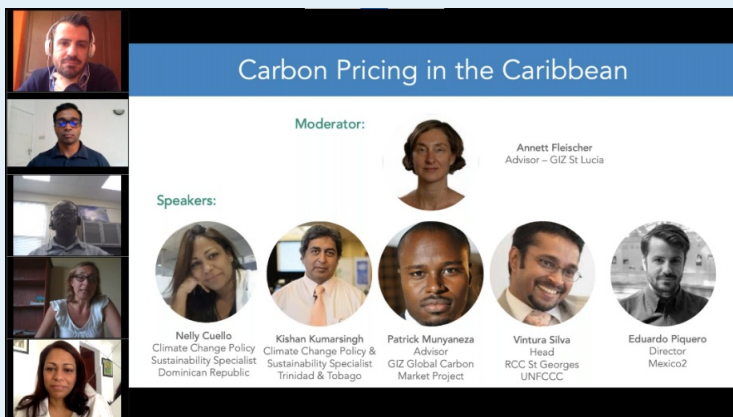
The workshop report can be accessed [here](#).

REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON  
CARBON MARKETS AND RELATED  
MECHANISMS

Workshop Report

## Past Events

### Carbon Pricing in the Caribbean



This year's edition of the [Latin America and the Caribbean Climate Summit](#) (LACS) kicked off from 6 to 8 October in Cartagena, Colombia. Just three weeks ahead of COP26, this hybrid event – in-person and virtual – brought together experts from various regions to discuss and analyze the future of the carbon markets in Latin America and the Caribbean.

[RCC St. George's](#) and the **GIZ's Global Carbon Market Project** ([GCM](#)) co-hosted a virtual side event focused on *Carbon Pricing in the Caribbean*. Along with existing carbon pricing initiatives in the Caribbean, the panelists explored the significance of carbon pricing in climate change mitigation and further development of carbon pricing mechanisms in the region. Additionally, the session highlighted the importance of providing learning and support to the private sector to integrated market-based climate solutions such as carbon credits.

The recording of the event is already available [here](#).

### Caribbean NDC Support Virtual Exchange Series wrapped up!

Launched in July this year, the Caribbean NDC Support Virtual Exchange Series came to an end on 9 September having spanned a period of 3 months. This year's series was focused on processes



under the Paris Agreement for the preparation and submission of new and updated national climate plans, or Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). Overall, the discussions and information shared showed that the participants gained a wealth of knowledge on how to implement their NDCs. Read more in this [article on the first session](#) or explore [the second session article here](#). More about the third and final session [here](#).

## Mark your Calendars

### Regional Climate Week 2021 at COP26

This year, the Regional Climate Weeks 2021 convened more than 12,000 stakeholders at three virtual meetings. Climate Weeks in Latin America and the Caribbean, Asia and the Pacific and Africa built momentum towards COP26. Due to pandemic-related issues, the Regional Climate Weeks 2021 will culminate with a High-Level COP26 Side Event on 10 November at 13:15 in Glasgow.



The Side Event will open with a 15-minute handover that brings together the UN Climate Change Executive Secretary, partner agency leaders and host government ministers to present the RCW 2021 Communique and package of outputs to the COP Presidency. These materials will also be available online as a resource for implementation.

The handover will be followed by regional remarks and video messages, including announcement of MENA Climate Week 2022.

[Registered COP26 attendees](#) can attend the RCW 2021 Side Event in-person or virtually, with more details coming during COP26 at [www.regionalclimateweeks.org](http://www.regionalclimateweeks.org).

### Nairobi work programme 14th Focal Point forum on biodiversity and climate change adaptation

The NWP will hold its 14<sup>th</sup> Focal Point Forum, this year on biodiversity and climate change adaptation at COP26 in Glasgow. This event will be organized in collaboration with the NWP thematic expert groups on [oceans](#) and [biodiversity and adaptation](#) (with focus on forests and grasslands).

The forum will contribute to the success at COP26 by enhancing adaptation ambition, finance and implementation through the sharing of knowledge, perspectives and technical insights on biodiversity and climate change adaptation; creating synergies by aligning the

work of the collaborative actions under the NWP with national priorities; and catalyzing new partnerships among national experts, UNFCCC national focal points and partners in addressing knowledge gaps.

Date and time: November 3, 18:00-20:45 UCT, Glasgow  
To register for this event, follow the link [here](#).

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