



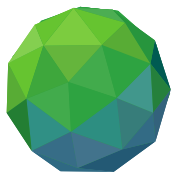
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GCF Structured Dialogue with the Caribbean

Increasing resilience in ecosystems and land use

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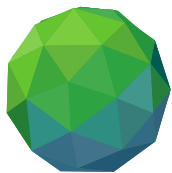
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Key Takeaways



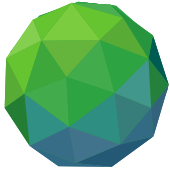
The key takeaway messages included:

- Policies developed by existing regional bodies like OECS should be utilized when developing regional priorities for GCF
- Many Caribbean States are indebted and have difficulties assuming new loans to finance project elements not directly related to climate change
 - Most CC interventions also have an SD dimension
 - CC is affecting entire societies, with virtually infrastructure and population within a mile from the coast
 - Prior development projects did not consider external costs



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Next Steps



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Recommended next steps include:

1. Regional approach on Food & Nutrition Security

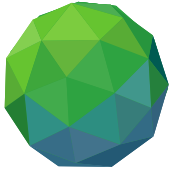
- **Preserve and promote sustainable agriculture and fisheries, with development of regional value chains and trade**
- **Improved water management in agriculture: water harvesting, (drip) irrigation**
- **Support to livestock industries**



Recommended next steps include:

2. Water Cycle

- Ecosystem-based Approaches to water management
- Integrated Watershed Management, multiple uses (e.g. domestic water use, agriculture)
- Sanitation and health
- Decentralized water management solutions, such as rainwater collection and greywater treatment and re-use at hotels and other large water users
- Infrastructure resilience to climate threats (hurricanes, SLR)
- Build on Global Water Partnership – Caribbean work



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Recommended next steps include:

3. Cross-cutting issues

- **Transportation within the region**
- **Engagement of the private sector in implementation**
 - Need for financing support and business incubators
- **Research and innovation to develop technical option and engage all stakeholders**
 - E.g. IT platform to bring primary producers and value-adders together