



TRANSFORMATIONAL CLIMATE FINANCING FOR THE CARIBBEAN REGION A Virtual Event

1 - 5 MARCH 2021

Agenda

1 March 2021, Monday

<p>08:00-09:30 Belize Time / 23:00-00:30 KST</p>	<p>Session 1.1: Plenary Floor language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Opening Session: Strategic GCF Programming with Caribbean SIDS Moderator: Mr. Pa Ousman Jarju, Director of Country Programming, GCF</p> <p>Opening Remarks: Mr. Yannick Glemarec, Executive Director, GCF</p> <p>Keynote Speaker: Her Excellency Mia Amor Motley, Prime Minister, Barbados</p> <p>Panel Speakers: His Excellency Bharrat Jagdeo, Vice President, Guyana His Excellency John Briceño, Prime Minister, Belize Mr. Yannick Glemarec, Executive Director, GCF Dr. Didacus Jules, Director General, OECS Secretariat Amb. Diann Black-Layne, Antigua & Barbuda, Chair of AOSIS Dr. Colin Young, Executive Director, Caribbean Community Climate Change Center</p> <p>High-Level segment of the Caribbean Regional Engagement event 2021 will be conducted under the theme <i>Strategic GCF Programming with Caribbean SIDS</i>. During this 90-minute round table session, Heads of Governments and Heads of Regional Institutions from the Caribbean will explore areas for prioritizing GCF resources for Caribbean SIDS, through improved responsiveness and innovative solutions to meet their specific circumstances. This discussion will be facilitated against the context of climate resilient economic recovery amidst COVID-19 during GCF-1. Panelists will respond to the following guiding questions.</p>
<p>09:30-09:40 Belize Time / 00:30-00:40 KST</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>09:40-09:50 Belize Time / 00:40-00:50 KST</p>	<p>Session 1.2: Plenary Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Regional Direct Access Entity Roundtables Moderator: Mr. Orville Grey, Regional Manager Caribbean & Brazil, GCF</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Amrihka Singh, Programme Manager, Sustainable Development of the CARICOM Secretariat Mr. Daniel Best, Director of Projects, CDB Mr. Keith Nichols, Head of Programme Development and Management Unit, CCCCC</p> <p>This technical session will comprise two working groups occurring concurrently. One will focus on the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) and the other on the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC). Both groups will focus on the experiences of these Regional Direct Access Entities (DAEs) and their prioritized pipeline for GCF-1. They will also share their experience with developing a GCF pipeline for the region and present strategies for ensuring complementarity and coherence in GCF programming across national and regional platforms. During the session, National Designated Authorities (NDAs) and/or other relevant country representatives will provide insights on how regional approaches supports country's priorities.</p>

<p>09:50-10:25 Belize Time / 00:50-01:30 KST</p>	<p>Parallel Session 1.2.1 Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Regional Direct Access Entity Roundtable - CDB</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Derek Gibbs, Climate Finance Specialist, CDB</p> <p>Speakers: Mr. Tommy Descartes, GCF NDA Team (Saint Lucia) Mr. Leroy Martinez, Belize NDA team</p> <p>This technical session will focus on the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB). The CDB will share their experience with developing a GCF pipeline for the region and present strategies for ensuring complementarity and coherence in GCF programming across national and regional platforms. During the session, National Designated Authorities (NDAs) and/or other relevant country representatives will provide insights on how regional approaches supports country's priorities.</p>	<p>Parallel Session 1.2.2 Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Regional Direct Access Entity Roundtable - CCCCC</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Keith Nichols, Programme Development and Management Unit, CCCCC</p> <p>Speakers: Dr. Kyra L'Homme, GCF Focal Point (Dominica) Ms. UnaMay Gordon, GCF Focal Point, (Jamaica)</p> <p>This technical session will focus on the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC). The CCCCC will share their experience with developing a GCF pipeline for the region and present strategies for ensuring complementarity and coherence in GCF programming across national and regional platforms. During the session, National Designated Authorities (NDAs) and/or other relevant country representatives will provide insights on how regional approaches supports country's priorities.</p>
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<p>08:00-08:10 Belize Time / 23:00-23:10 KST</p>	<p>Session 2.1: Plenary Session Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Strengthened and Prioritised Post-COVID-19 Recovery Pipeline Moderator: Mr. Clifford Polycarp, Deputy Director and Head of Programming, Division of Country Programming, GCF</p> <p>Presentation: Public Sector Programming Strategy Dr. German Velasquez, Director of Mitigation and Adaptation Division, GCF</p> <p>This workshop will focus on the ingredients for an effective public sector programmatic approach for the region for GCF-1 and beyond. Emphasis will be placed on strengthening the understanding of key ingredients of a successful GCF proposal and shape a collaborative process for regional programmatic approaches on common priorities' thematic areas.</p>	
<p>08:10-09:10 Belize Time / 23:10-00:10 KST</p>	<p>Parallel Session 2.1.1 Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Resilient Development: Ecosystems, Water and Agriculture Moderator: Mr. Chris Dickinson, Senior Ecosystem Specialist, GCF</p> <p>Two presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baseline presentation on paradigm shifting pathways for thematic areas: Mr. Chris Dickinson, Senior Ecosystem Specialist, GCF, • How to structure green infrastructure projects from country to regional (Case Study - Jamaica): Ms. Katarzyna Rzucidlo, Human Settlements and Infrastructure Sector Senior Specialist, GCF <p>This will be followed by facilitator-led discussion with the NDAs and AEs on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 Recovery Priorities • Regional / Programmatic Approaches • Approaches for Proposal Ideas • TA Needs • Next Steps 	<p>Parallel Session 2.1.2 Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Low Emissions Recovery: Energy, Transport and Urban Development Moderator: Mr. Sabin Basnyat, Senior Energy Efficiency Specialist, GCF</p> <p>Presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baseline presentation on paradigm shifting pathways for thematic areas: Mr. Sabin Basnyat, Senior Energy Efficiency Specialist, GCF, <p>This will be followed by facilitator-led discussion with the NDAs and AEs on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 Recovery Priorities • Regional / Programmatic Approaches • Approaches for Proposal Ideas • TA Needs • Next Steps
<p>09:10-09:30 Belize Time / 00:10-00:30 KST</p>	<p>Report on TA Needs and Next Steps from Session 2.1.1 and Session 2.1.2 Wrap up – Ms. Kavita Sinha, Deputy Director, Division of Mitigation and Adaptation, GCF</p>	

<p>08:00 -08:55 Belize Time/ 23:00-23:55 KST</p>	<p>Parallel Session 3.1 Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Strengthened & Transformational Private Sector Involvement Moderator: Ms. Neranda Maurice-George, Consultant, GCF</p> <p>Presentation: Enhancing the role of the Caribbean private sector with the GCF: Mr. Thomas Bishop, Climate Investment Officer, GCF</p> <p>Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type of activities financed by the GCF • Types of funding (grant, loan, guarantee, and equity) • Size of the projects and risk categories • Criteria and processes <p>This technical session will aim to improve private sector involvement in GCF pipeline for Caribbean SIDS. The Caribbean Private Sector will be the primary target of this days' session and will involve a presentation from GCFs Private Sector Facility (PSF) and case studies on GCF project /programme involving Private Sector in SIDS. Regional agencies will present their perspectives on unlocking climate change financing for the private sector in the Caribbean.</p>	<p>08:00 -08:55 Belize Time/ 23:00-23:55 KST</p>	<p>Parallel Session 3.2 Floor language: English: Interpretation: French</p> <p>Prioritising rapid deployment of climate finance for low-risk projects Moderator: Mr. Orville Grey, Regional Manager Caribbean & Brazil</p> <p>Panel Discussion: Prioritising Simplified Approval and Direct Access for Caribbean SIDS: Opportunities for low risk projects Moderator: Mr. Demetrio Innocenti, SAP/PPF/EDA Manager, GCF</p> <p>Presenters: Rocio Vizuette Fernandez, SAP Consultant, GCF Mr. Baptiste Gaydon, Associate Professional PPF/EDA</p> <p>Speakers: Amb. Janine Felson, Former SIDS Board Member Mr. James Cadet, GCF Focal Point (Haiti) Ms. Camaria Holder, Project, Department of Environment (Antigua & Barbuda)</p> <p>This technical session will focus on how to prioritise rapid deployment of climate finance for low-risk projects (e.g. community-based adaptation and DRR interventions). It will also analyse the Country and Entity experience with SAP/EDA and the benefits of the new Technical Assistance window using professional firms.</p>
<p>08:55-09:25 Belize Time/ 23:55-00:25 KST</p>	<p>Parallel Session 3.1.1 Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>A case study on proposals with Private Sector Moderator Ms. Neranda Maurice-George, Consultant, GCF</p> <p>Presenters: Mr. Nicholas Ross, Climate Change Officer, Caribbean Development Bank, Mr. Christiaan Gischler, Sector Lead Specialist, Inter-American Development Bank Mr. Ash Sharma, Special Adviser & GCF Focal Point, Nordic Environment Finance Corporation</p> <p>Showcasing actual examples of private sector involvement in pipelines of Caribbean SIDS. Emphasis on elements such as concessionality, climate evidence, project development and sourcing in the region.</p>	<p>08:55-09:25 Belize Time/ 23:55-00:25 KST</p>	<p>Parallel Session 3.2.1 Floor language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Strategic partnership of the Project Preparation (PPF) Facility for pipeline development Moderator Ms. Zhengzheng Qu, PPF and SAP Officer, GCF</p> <p>Presenters: Mr. Baptiste Gaydon, Associate Professional PPF/EDA Mr. Nicholas Ross, Climate Change Officer, Caribbean Development Bank,</p> <p>This session will focus on how do we prioritise project preparation support? Benefits of the new Technical Assistance window using professional firms.</p>

	<p>Session 3.1.2 Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Panel Discussion: Climate Change Financing & The Private Sector – Unique Challenges & Opportunities Moderator: Mr. Thomas Bishop, Climate Investment Officer, GCF</p> <p>Panelists: Ms. Natasha Joseph, Business Support and Development Officer, Grenada Development Bank Mr. Barry O'Brien, Managing Director, Williams Caribbean Capital Mr. Wayne Vitalis, Financial Controller, CARICOM Development Fund Ms. Melissa Garvey, Director of Ocean Protection, The Nature Conservancy Mr. Ricardo Munroe, Public-Private Partnership & Privatisation Unit, Development Bank of Jamaica</p> <p>Unlocking private sector participation in regional low-emissions and climate-resilient development pathways. How to build an ambitious private sector-led/supported pipeline of transformational projects and programmes for the GCF.</p>		
<p>09:25–09:30 Belize Time/ 00:25–00:30 KST</p>	<p>Key Take-away and wrap-up - PSF</p>	<p>09:25–09:30 Belize Time/ 00:25–00:30 KST</p>	<p>Key Take-away and wrap-up – SAP/EDA & PPF Team</p>

<p>08:00-08:45 Belize Time / 23:00-23:45 KST</p>	<p>Parallel Session 4.1 Floor Language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Improved Access & Management of Readiness Fund Resources for Caribbean SIDS Moderator Mr. Daniel Buckley, Senior Readiness Programme Specialist, GCF</p> <p>Presentation & Interactive Session: Troubleshooting Submissions and Appraisal</p> <p>This session will focus on submission and appraisal bottlenecks by identifying the common issues faced by NDAs and DPs and how can they be overcome.</p>	<p>08:00-09:25 Belize Time / 23:00-00:25 KST</p>	<p>Parallel Session 4.2 Floor language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Strategic Accreditation and Improved Access to Fund Resources for the Caribbean Moderator Mr. Orville Grey, Regional Manager Caribbean & Brazil</p> <p>Presentation & Interactive Session: Accreditation for DAE – Enhancing linkages between country programming and selection of AEs</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Nayari Perez, Executive Director, Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT) Mr. Keith Nichols, CCCCC Dr. Kelvin George, GCF Focal Point (Grenada) Ms. Olena Borysova, Accreditation Specialist, GCF</p> <p>This session will examine the key features of an accredited entity including a look at fit-for-purpose and ability to implement countries project/programme pipelines for GCF. It will further examine common issues faced by Direct Access Entities and how they may be overcome.</p>
<p>08:45-09:25 Belize Time / 23:45-00:25 KST</p>	<p>Session 4.1.1 Floor language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Presentation & Panel Discussion: Adaptive Management in Readiness for Caribbean countries Moderator Mr. Daniel Buckley, Senior Readiness Programme Specialist, GCF Coordinator Readiness Team</p> <p>Speakers: Dr. Rhianna Neely-Murphy, GCF Focal Point (The Bahamas) Dr. Donnell Cain, Project Development Specialist, CCCCC Mr. Abdulbari Shaeban, Portfolio Management and Analytics Consultant, OPM, GCF Ms. Katrin Lichtenberg, Head of Programme at UNOPS</p> <p>This session will focus on challenges experienced by Delivery Partners and the Secretariat in the implementation of readiness grants. It will also explore the management strategies currently in place and their effectiveness for implementation and reporting success in Caribbean grants.</p>		
<p>09:25-09:30 Belize Time / 00:25-00:30 KST</p>	<p>Key Take-away and wrap-up Mr. Daniel Buckley, Senior Readiness Programme Specialist, GCF</p>	<p>09:25-09:30 Belize Time / 00:25-00:30 KST</p>	<p>Key Take-away and wrap-up Ms. Olena Borysova, Accreditation Specialist, GCF</p>

5 March 2020, Friday

<p>08:00-08:45 Belize Time / 23:00-23:45 KST</p>	<p>Plenary Session 5.1 Floor language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Catalysing Adaptation Planning and Translating into Effective Adaptation Investments Moderator Mr. Mahendra Saywack, Regional Officer, GCF</p> <p>Presentation & Interactive Session: Effective Adaptation Planning & Implementation Speakers: Ms. Le-Anne Roper, Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation (NDA) Ms. Ayesha Constable, Department of Environment, Antigua and Barbuda Dr. Cara Tobin, Adaptation Planning Consultant, GCF</p> <p>This session will focus on the USD 3M Adaptation Planning support window under the Readiness Programme by examining the requirements for TA support, identifying suitable Delivery Partners, and outlining the roles of Delivery Partners, NDAs and other key government agencies during the implementation.</p>
<p>08:45-08:50 Belize Time / 23:45-23:50 KST</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>08:50-09:30 Belize Time / 23:50-00:30 KST</p>	<p>Plenary Session 5.2 Floor language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Moderator Ms. Chibesa Pensulo, Adaptation Planning Specialist, GCF</p> <p>Presentation: Effective Proposal Design Presenter: Mr. Fumihiko Tominaga, Adaptation Planning Associate, GCF</p> <p>Interactive Session: Speakers: Mr. Donnell Cain, Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre Mr. James Cadet, Ministry of Environment, Haiti Ms. Johann Elysee, Office of Portfolio Management, GCF</p> <p>This session will explore the difficulties in designing adaptation planning proposals by focusing on two key aspects; the Theory of Change and the Logframe. It will also examine how to integrate the private sector in adaptation planning proposals and the development of concept notes to leverage this funding window into scaled-up financing through Funding Proposals.</p>
<p>09:30-09:35 Belize Time /00:30-00:35 KST</p>	<p>Key Take-away and wrap-up Dr. Lifeng Li, Coordinator for Support Programmes, GCF</p>
<p>09:35-09:40 Belize Time / 00:35-00:40 KST</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>09:40-10:00 Belize Time / 00:40-01:00 KST</p>	<p>Plenary Session 5.3 Floor language: English Interpretation: French</p> <p>Closing Ceremony Moderator Mr. Orville Grey, Regional Manager Caribbean & Brazil, GCF</p> <p>Speakers: Amb. Diann Black-Layne, Chair of AOSIS, Antigua & Barbuda Mr. Pa Ousman Jarju, Director, Division of Country Programming, GCF</p> <p>Sum up the week's activities and lay the foundation for further outreach to act on priorities identified. Take-away: Clear understanding of the needs of Caribbean SIDS and actions to follow and report on during the course for the year leading up to COP26 and the remainder of the GCF-1 period.</p>