Strengthening Coastal and Marine Climate Resilience through Upland and Coastal Ecosystem-Based Adaptation and Community Engagement

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EbA Project Intervention Strategy

- 1. Raise awareness and build community capacity for rehabilitating and maintaining healthy land and marine environments, recognising and mitigating climate change risks through design and implementation of EbA & CSS approaches, introduction of land management tools and climate smart agriculture, through in-classroom and in-field training and establishment of demonstration plots for vetiver systems and climate-resilient interventions.
- Promote and facilitate nature-based livelihood opportunities, based on the vetiver grass, by supporting the establishment of vetiver propagation nurseries and developing and launching and training of vetiver-based green businesses in each project country in vetiver art and handicraft.
- Disseminate information and share knowledge to influence behavioural change and mainstream EbA and CSS in policy and practices, through events/campaigns, publications (online & print), online communication and social media platforms and video production (short and feature documentary).









EbA Project – Key Aspects



Climate Resilience: adaptation is a must for island survival!





Preserving coastal & marine ecosystems health: an absolute must for SIDS!



EbA Solutions: what's goes on upland (poor farming practices) must come down!



Community participation & ownership: essential to success & sustainability



Observation & Monitoring: *critical to mainstream EbA solutions*



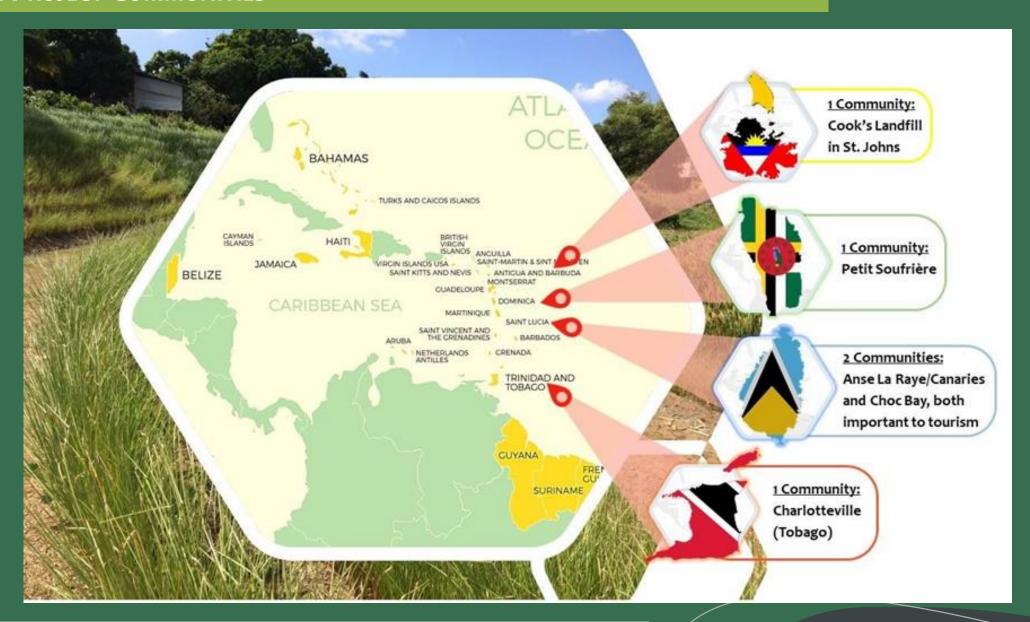








EBA PROJECT COMMUNITIES











EbA Project In-Country Counterpart – CBOs, NGOs

CCIF

Canaries Community Improvement Foundation

CCIF was founded in 2014 by passionate residents in response to a dire need for environmentally responsible economic development. The mission of CCIF is to be an inclusive and representative driving force for sustainable economic development of Canaries while preserving our natural and cultural assets.

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PSSSVC

Petite Soufriere, San Sauveur Village Council

The VC has been operating for 40+ years, with a mandate for the preservation of the health and wellness of the residents within the communities. To support and stimulate social, economic, environmental development and restoration inclusive of infrastructure and housing. The Government's Climate Resilience Recovery Plan establishes the basis for building

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GARDC

Gilbert Agricultural and Rural Development Center

GARD Center is a nongovernmental, grassroot organization which became incorporated as a non-profit company 2003. The Center focuses on three major pillars: Youth, Entrepreneurship, and Agriculture. Offering a wealth of holistic, agro-ecological and conservation programs and services with numerous CSOs, Private and Public Agencies

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ET

Environment Tobago

ET is a non-governmental, not-forprofit organization. Established in 1996 and registered under the Companies Act (1995). In keeping with its mission, ET strives to maintain presence in all consultations and initiatives that support conserving and improving local and regional ecosystems. Advocating for the welfare of local environment and working towards ways to mitigate nature-induced events or other stressors.

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