

EASTERN CARIBBEAN MARINE MANAGED AREAS NETWORK (ECMMAN) PROJECT

Fact Sheet

Funding Agency:

The German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB)

Grant Awardee:

The Nature Conservancy (TNC)

Project Length:

Four years (2013 – 2017)

Beneficiary Countries:

6 OECS countries of St. Kitts and Nevis, Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Saint Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines and Grenada

Financials:

4 Million EURO

ECMMAN Project Objectives:

Declare new MMAs and strengthen existing MMAs;

Build strong constituencies for sustainable livelihoods and ocean use;

Improve and update an Eastern Caribbean Decision Support System (ECDSS) that provides accessible decision making tools and incorporates current ecological, socio-economic, and climate change data; and

Institute sustainability mechanisms to support the MMA network, including regional political commitments and actions, collaboration mechanisms on marine and coastal resources, and sustainable financing.

ECMMAN Implementing Partners

The Nature Conservancy

(TNC) will work on the designation of new marine protected areas (MPAs), strengthening of existing MPAs, the development of the data platform for storage and management of MPA data and the mobilization of additional financial resources.

OECS Secretariat, Social and Sustainable Development

Division, will implement the livelihood program that will fund projects via individual grants and assist with the mobilization of additional financial resources.

UNEP/SPAW-RAC acting through the Caribbean Marine Protected Areas Managers (CaMPAM) network will assist with the strengthening of marine protected areas via a small grants program.

Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism (CRFM)

Secretariat acting through the Caribbean Network of Fisher Folk Organizations (CNFO) will strengthen fisher organizations through capacity building initiatives.

PCI Media Impact will handle aspects of the public awareness, education and outreach components of the project.

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Beneficiary Countries



Antigua & Barbuda



Dominica



Grenada



Saint Lucia



St. Kitts & Nevis



St. Vincent & the Grenadines

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Project Components

1. New MMAs declared and existing MMAs strengthened

2. Strong constituencies for sustainable livelihoods and ocean use are built

3. An Eastern Caribbean Decision Support System (ECDSS) is improved and updated

4. Sustainability mechanisms are instituted

Indicators of Success

- 6-10 New Marine Managed Areas are established
- At least 10 existing Marine Managed Areas are strengthened
- Fishers/coastal communities' capacity and support for marine conservation are increased
- At least 3 alternative livelihood demonstration projects are under implementation
- Existing accessible and user-friendly, spatial information for Decision Support is updated
- Practical information and decision-making products are developed
- ECDSS capacity building and long-term maintenance is implemented
- An ECMMAN Steering Committee is established
- 2-4 Million Euros of additional financial resources mobilized

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