





Dominica - Strengthening Resilience of Infrastructure

Country

Dominica

ACP-EU Disaster Risk Management Program Component

Mainstream DRR and CCA into national and priority sector policies and investment planning

Amount Approved

€185,000 / \$200,000

Duration

07/2023 - 06/2024

Context and Objectives

The Commonwealth of Dominica has set the goal to be the first climate resilient nation in the world, as set out in the National Resilience Development Strategy 2030. This requires the development of a robust economy, increasingly resilient communities, and durable infrastructure, as reflected in the Dominica Climate Recovery & Resilience Plan 2020-2030.

The objective of this technical assistance is to work with the government of Dominica to meet their ambitions through support for the creation of the Resilient Dominica Physical Plan and the identification of bio-engineering and nature-based infrastructure solutions that can be included in the existing <u>Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Program</u> (DVRP) and future infrastructure investments.

The project builds on previous support provided under the <u>ACP-EU NDRR Program</u> that focused on developing resilient reconstruction practices and the use of spatial data to identify vulnerable schools and shelters.

Main Activities and Expected Results

Preparation of a Resilient Dominica Physical Plan (RDPP)

This activity is developing a Terms of Reference to assess current resilience gaps and create a database of relevant resilience-related information, and so inform the creation of the full RDPP.

Expected Result:

• Comprehensive approach to creating the RDPP that prioritizes cost effectiveness and provides a useful tool for future Planning of the GOCD to strengthen resilience.

Technical Assistance for Nature-based Solutions in Resilient Infrastructure

This activity offers capacity building in the form of the production of technical reports and manuals related to the strategic application of nature-based solutions based on principles of cost effectiveness and sustainability, specifically as involves the DVRP project to reconstruct the East Coast Road.

Expected Result:

• Improved knowledge for better decision-making and application of appropriate nature-based infrastructure interventions.

Partnerships and Coordination

The World Bank implements this project in close collaboration with the Ministry of Public Works and Digital Economy (MoPWDE), the Forestry Division of the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA), the Ministry of







National Security, and the Climate Resilience Executing Agency of Dominica (CREAD). The World Bank coordinates its efforts with the EU Delegation in Barbados.

Progress is closely aligned with the implementation of the World Bank-funded DVRP.