

## Haiti – Reinforcing Preparedness and Response Capacity, and Promoting Resilient Built Environments

### Country

Haiti

### 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

08/2023 – 04/2025

### Context and Objectives

Haiti was already the third most affected country globally in terms of climatic events between 2000 and 2019. Climate change is resulting in more intense hydrometeorological events including droughts, intense precipitations, and active hurricane seasons adding pressure to vulnerable groups. Given the country's exposure to multiple hazards and the high vulnerability of the Haitian population, in June 2020 the Government established by decree the National Disaster Risk Management System (SNGRD), raised the status of the Civil Protection to a General Directorate (DGPC), and set out the National Disaster Risk Management Plan (PNGRD) 2019-2030.

This technical assistance project is building on institutional progress by reinforcing the preparedness and response capacity of the DGPC and strengthening capacity for

promoting resilience of the built environment.

Activities under this grant build upon previous work undertaken through other EU-funded projects, particularly under the [CRRBF](#) and [ACP-EU NDRR](#) programs.

### Main Activities and Expected Results

#### ***Strengthening the DGPC's capacity and infrastructure***

This technical support to the DGPC provides recommendations to improve training materials for the communal committees of the civil protection, increases the coordination capacity of directors at the departmental and national levels, improves contingency plans and emergency communications, and advises on the design and maintenance of emergency shelters.

#### *Expected Results:*

- Improved training resources and enhanced contingency plans that reflect mainstream of DRM principles
- Well-informed construction of emergency shelters and creation of shelter management committees

#### ***Promoting the resilience of the built environment***

This activity supports the training sessions of the Building Technical Office and the Housing and Public Buildings Construction Unit with materials that promote resilient construction techniques. Efforts also include expanding the resources of the National Center for Geospatial Information to provide better risk information for the sector.



*Expected Result:*

- Resilience mainstreamed across construction sector

**Partnerships and Coordination**

The World Bank implements this project in close collaboration with the *DGPC* within the Ministry of Interior and Local Authorities, the Ministry of Public Works, the Haiti Hydrometeorological Unit within the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development, the Ministry of National Education and Vocational Training, the Ministry of Economy and Finance, and the National Centre for Geospatial Information. The World Bank coordinates its efforts with the EU Delegation in Haiti.

Progress is closely aligned with the implementation of the World Bank-financed [Strengthening Disaster Risk Management and Climate Resilience Project](#).