

Jamaica - Enhancing the Resilience of Urban Infrastructure to Climate Change

Country

Jamaica

ACP-EU Disaster Risk Management Program Component

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

Amount Approved

€230,000 / \$250,000

Duration

07/2023 – 07/2025

Context and Objectives

The Government of Jamaica is fully committed to revitalizing Kingston as Jamaica's economic capital through a strategy that unlocks the vibrancy and economic potential of the city and that will serve as a model for climate resilience in the region. This vision is aligned with Jamaica's Vision 2030 National Development Plan.

This project is strengthening the government's technical capacities to implement resilient infrastructure investments. Activities under this grant build upon previous work undertaken through the [ACP-EU NDRR](#) program.

Main Activities and Expected Results

Analysis of vulnerabilities of proposed investments to climate risks and hazards

This activity supports the studies needed to maximize the resilience of the proposed redevelopment. This includes hazard analysis for flood and heat risks, identification and designs of resilience investments, and capacity building of public sector staff in resilience and DRM.

Expected Results:

- Enhanced resilient design of waterfront redevelopment.
- Strengthened capacity in resilient infrastructure planning.

Develop a resilient design for the park

This activity supports the detailed design of the public park via the prioritization of resilience in the proposals selected for financing.

Expected Result:

- The resilient design of the waterfront and public space.

Improve communication and knowledge sharing for enhanced risk-informed decision-making and coordination

This activity focuses on the development of knowledge products that support the mainstreaming of disaster and climate resilience knowledge and practices and the delivery of targeted workshops with line Ministries and relevant agencies.

Expected Result:

- Strengthened capacity and participation in decision making.



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Partnerships and Coordination

The World Bank implements this project in close collaboration with the Jamaica Social Investment Fund and the Urban Development Corporation. The World Bank coordinates its efforts with the EU Delegation in Jamaica. The project is supporting the resilience and climate adaptation aspects of the EU program, *Support to the Sustainable Urban Development of Kingston*, which envisions the sustainable transformation of the Downtown Kingston waterfront.