

STRENGTHENING THE CARIBBEAN BIOLOGICAL CORRIDOR

Objective:

To build a strong and sustained collective, institutionalised regional approach to the conservation and management of terrestrial and marine biodiversity in the Caribbean Islands

- To expand the knowledge base available and accessible for planning, capacity-building and decision making and CBC are objectives are mainstream into other programme and projects.
- To contribute towards cooperation on biodiversity conservation and climate change mitigation in the long-term
- Sectoral economic actions at local level have reduced pressures on biodiversity of regional importance, mitigated climate change and created businesses opportunities, including private sector

Contribution towards Sustainable Development Goals

SDG 1 (Targets 1.1, 1.4, 1.5 and 1.6): Reduce poverty and creating business opportunities through biodiversity conservation

SDG 13 (Targets 13.2, 13.3 and 13.5): Contribute to the implementation of policies and strategies for sustainable development in the context of climate change

SDG 14 (Targets 14.1, 14.2, 14.5 and 14.8) and 15 (Targets 15.4, 15.5, 15.8, 15.9 and 15.10): Protection of coastal, marine and terrestrial ecosystems based on scientific information

SDG 17 (Target 17.1, 17.3, 17.16 and 17.7): Development of an intergovernmental cooperation platform operating as a permanent and financially sustainable institution

Contribution towards Aichi Biodiversity Targets

Target 1: Promotion of positive linkages between conservation, connectivity, livelihoods and poverty reduction through selected field activities

Target 4: Sustain livelihoods, reduce poverty and creating business opportunities through biodiversity conservation and the maintenance of connectivity;

Target 5: Preserving and, when convenient, restoring connectivity;

Target 6: Expand the Caribbean Corridor to the marine realm, which will help identify marine conservation priorities;

Target 7: Promotion of increased uptake and implementation of field projects contributing towards reduced pressure on biodiversity;

Target 10: Raising awareness on coral reefs conservation and on the need to taking actions to reduce no-climatic pressures on ecosystems that are vulnerable to Climate Change;

Target 11 & 12: Promotion of effective area-based conservation measure through the establishment of protected areas;

Target 17: implementation of policies and strategies for sustainable development in the context of climate change at both national and regional levels

Target 19: Promotion of collaborative knowledge sharing partnerships between Governments in the region to raise awareness

Target 20: Development of a financial strategy to mobilize financial resources and hence ensure the sustainability of the project's development contributions.



Project's results :

- The CBC is recognized by Haiti, Cuba and Dominican Republic as their main coordination mechanism in of biodiversity conservation (since 2014);
- Puerto Rico became a new member in March 2016 and Jamaica has expressed their interest in joining in 2018;
- Facilitation of the elaboration of bilateral agreements and plans, such as the “collaborative agreement” between Haiti and Cuba, or the “Transboundary Action plan” between Haiti and Dominican Republic. (TBF);
- Facilitation of 10 socio-economic studies of sites of importance to the Corridor (in order to respond to regional problems such as migration routes and the impact of hurricanes on biodiversity.);
- Training of 3000 people (governments, civil society) with 80 training events in topics: Caribbean biodiversity, threats, sustainable development, adaptation to climate change, taxonomy and marine coastal management;
- Support towards 2.200 local people with 10 sustainable development projects (agriculture, bee, water management) and 5.000 local people with sustainable energy sources;
- Reforestation and restoration of forested areas and three tree nurseries built;
- Promote knowledge exchange between the 3 countries, compiling 4000 records and 1350 geo-referenced layers of 18 themes



Links to websites for further information:

- Biological Corridor of the Caribbean: <http://cbcbio.org/>
- Ministerial Committee: <http://cbcbio.org/2018/07/23/clausura-con-exito-reunion-del-comite-ministerial-del-corredor-biologico-en-el-caribe-cbc/>
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