

The Caribbean Emergency Legislation Project

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Overview



- Scope: Prevention and Response
- Need of expedite decision making in disaster situations
- Lack of comprehensive legal-institutional framework
- Funded by WB-IDF
- Cross cutting issues: financial, technical and legal and institutional.
- Key financial issues: Planning, appropriation and execution



Development Objective

- Build legislative capacity to enhance legal and institutional framework for state of emergency and appropriation in CARICOM countries.
- Raise awareness among government decision makers and make recommendations to improve legislative channels and administrative procedures during, and immediately after, the occurrence of a natural disaster.





Countries

Antigua and Barbuda

[Barbados](#)

Belize

Dominica

[Dominican Republic](#)

Grenada

[Haiti](#)

[Jamaica](#)

St. Kitts and Nevis

[St. Lucia](#)

St. Vincent and the Grenadines

[Trinidad and Tobago](#)





Project Implementation

- Components:
 1. *Study to improve legal frameworks related to state of emergency and appropriation powers*
 2. *National and regional validation and outreach completed*
- Main Output
 - **a set of recommendations for the implementation of clear and transparent procedures triggered under a state of emergency**



Project Timeline



Inventory of Frameworks

Gap Analysis

Assessment of
Responsibilities and
Accountability

Comparative Law Analysis

Identification of Best Practices

National Validation
and Outreach

Regional Validation
and Outreach

Component I

Component II



Stakeholders

- National
- National Focal Points – Inter-American Disaster Mitigation Network
- Government offices agencies
 - Ministers of Finance
 - Ministry of Environment
 - Ministry of Justice
 - Offices of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management
- Private sector
- NGOs



Stakeholders

Regional

- CARICOM
- CDERA
- UWI
- CDB
- OECS

International

- OAS
- WB
- IADM
- IFRC

Regional/International

- Steering Committee





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Thank you!

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