

# EbA Facility Project Fact Sheet

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## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



### Project Title

**Dramatically Scaling up Multi-species Coral Restoration in Targeted Sites in the Dominican Republic as a Climate Change Adaptation Strategy (“Coral Restore DR”).**

### Lead Organization

**Fundación Grupo Puntacana (FGPC)**

### Beneficiaries

Fisher Communities, Hotel Industry and visiting Tourists.

### Partner Organizations

01. The Nature Conservancy (TNC)
02. Asociación de Artesanos y Servicios Marinos (ARSEMAR)
03. Asociación de Centros Acuáticos.
04. The Eastern Hotel Association (ASOLESTE)
05. GIZ - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
06. Grupo Puntacana
07. Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association (CHTA)
08. Coral Morphologic

### Project Summary

Coral Restore DR aims to build climate resilience of the Punta Cana community and ultimately other communities across the DR and the Caribbean through scaling up a proven model of coral restoration off the coast of Punta Cana.

Coastal zones in the DR are highly vulnerable to climate change, including more intense and frequent hurricanes, sea level rise, sea surface temperature rise, and ocean acidification. Coral reef ecosystems around Punta Cana have been in decline, requiring major restoration efforts in order to provide the needed coastal adaptation and resilience benefits.

Explants will be produced in land-based coral nurseries, creating employment for community residents in both, land- and sea-based activities. The creation of livelihood opportunities targets fisher-folks in particular.

The project will further fine tune the coral restoration techniques for wider replication across the Dominican Republic. While capacity-building will primarily focus on nearby communities, outreach will be nation-wide through a network of partners.

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## Principal EbA Measure(s) Used

01. Protection, direct restoration, and rehabilitation of coral reef ecosystems.
02. Reductions in overfishing by enforcing conservation regulations and involving fishermen in employment opportunities outside of current fishing activities.
03. Scaling of this project's intervention, i.e., model local community engagement; development of ecosystem goods and services; and replication and scaling of the coral restoration model, including coral nurseries and out plantings.

## Ecosystem(s) Targeted

Coral reef and coastal ecosystems

## Project Duration

Duration:	36 Months
Starting:	January 2020
Closing:	January 2023

## Funding

Total (USD):	\$1,258,224
EbA Facility:	\$799,919
Co-financing:	\$458,305

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