

EbA Facility Project Fact Sheet

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Project Title

Strengthening Coastal and Marine Climate Resilience through Upland and Coastal Ecosystem Based Adaptation and Community Engagement

Lead Organization

Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)

Beneficiaries

Direct beneficiaries ca 6000 farmers, fishers and households in six vulnerable rural and coastal communities in Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, St. Lucia and Trinidad and Tobago.

Partner Organizations

01. IAMovement
02. University of Florida

Project Summary

Target communities will be provided with vetiver system (VS) and climate smart farming (CSF) information and tools to reduce upland drivers of degradation to improve marine-coastal climate resilience and conserve ecosystems services, while simultaneously providing opportunities for alternative nature-based livelihoods.

The VS will be replicated, scaled, adapted and integrated with CSF, through classroom training, on-site hands-on supervised application and demonstration. The project will focus on resource creation for nature-based solutions through vetiver nurseries; transfer of complementary soil and water protection, land rehabilitation and management techniques; skills training in green business to create opportunities in vetiver-based value-added products (handicraft), services (landscaping) and other uses of the vetiver plant; mapping and training of community champions to assess, monitor and take action to improve eco-system health; co-production and dissemination of educational materials to sensitize and educate on EbA climate action.

Collectively, these focus areas will encourage and enable promote behavior change for EbA mainstreaming in national policy and community practices.

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Principal EbA Measure(s) Used

01. Ridge to Reef: Protection and rehabilitation of upland areas through installation of the vetiver system (VS) on slopes, climate smart farming (CSF), including integrated soil and water resource management.
02. Community-driven action through engagement and training to ensure continued sustainable supply and deployment of vetiver for green engineering solutions in rehabilitating upland areas, securing farmlands, and generating green livelihood opportunities to drive positive impacts in downstream and coastal eco-systems.

Ecosystem(s) Targeted

Upland and hillside farming, vulnerable slopes, roadways and riverbanks, coastal ecosystems including mangroves, wetlands, marches, sea grasses and reefs.

Project Duration

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

Funding

Total (USD):	\$1,970,000
EbA Facility:	\$1,650,000
Co-financing:	\$320,000

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