

PROJECT FACT SHEET

ADVANCING CIRCULAR ECONOMY(ACE) FACILITY

Enhancing Circular Economy in El Cedro, Miches, El Seibo Province, Dominican Republic

Project duration	36 months	Total project costs	\$2,200,000
Country	Dominican Republic	ACE Facility grant	\$1,650,000
Lead organisation	Rural Economy Development Foundation Dominicana (REDDOM)	Match funding	\$550,000
Partners	Asociación de Hoteles y Turismo El Seibo-Miches - PROMICHES, Nueva Vida a los Residuos - NUVI, Cooperativa de Reciclaje Evaristo Ortiz - COOPRECICLA		

All currency is stated in USD.



PROJECT LOCATION

This project will be implemented in El Cedro within the Miches Municipality, El Seibo province, in the Eastern Region of the Dominican Republic.

PROJECT SUMMARY

This project seeks to reduce marine litter in El Cedro by promoting a circular economy approach that engages public and private stakeholders. Building on the outcomes of the Caribe Circular project implemented by GIZ, the initiative will strengthen and scale emerging circular economy activities into sustainable and inclusive business models. Through participatory systems thinking processes, local stakeholders will identify and prioritize feasible solutions for the management of plastic waste, tires, glass and cardboard. The project will provide specialized training for decision-makers, technicians, and youth, alongside community awareness campaigns and incentive mechanisms to encourage adoption of the 10R strategies.





EXPECTED IMPACT

- Reduction of marine litter in El Cedro through improved and sustainable waste management practices
- Improved ecosystem health and resilience in mangrove, beach, and protected marine areas
- Building local capacity and livelihoods through sustainable, inclusive circular economy businesses
- Contribution to a reduction of greenhouse gas emissions or enhanced carbon stocks
- Reduced flood impacts through decreased waste clogging drainage systems

KEY IMPACT & INDICATORS

900 tons of litter removed or prevented from entering the marine environment

4 new/strengthened partnerships promoting circular economy

1,000 hectares of climate adaptation-relevant ecosystems identified with reduced marine pollution stress

120 people benefitting from livelihood initiatives derived from circular economy businesses

1,000 persons actively participating in implementation

3 sustainable circular economy businesses established and operational

20 decision-makers trained in circular economy

6 knowledge-sharing activities related to circular economy implemented

ACTIVITIES AND AREAS OF WORK

- **Participatory Planning:** GIS-based waste diagnosis across El Cedro–Miches; facilitating workshops prioritizing circular economy solutions; implementing awareness campaigns promoting 10R strategies; community incentive mechanisms for waste reduction and sorting
- **Circular Economy Businesses:** Supporting three integrated enterprises: waste collection/sorting/baling, plastics recycling and recycled product manufacturing; promoting participation of vulnerable groups
- **Capacity Building:** Delivering specialized training for decision-makers, technicians, youth, and communities; private sector engagement through forums; replication of Caribe Circular (GIZ) best practices
- **Public-Private Partnerships:** Fostering alliances for long-term financial sustainability; documenting and scaling lessons learned

CARIBBEAN BIODIVERSITY FUND

The Caribbean Biodiversity Fund (CBF) is a regional umbrella environmental fund dedicated to sustaining nature and improving lives through innovative financing solutions. The CBF through its three strategic programs: Conservation Finance, Climate Change, and Nature-based Economies collaborates with governments, communities, and development partners across the Caribbean region.

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