

# Project SargAdapt

**Problem: Since 2011, islands in the Eastern Caribbean have been experiencing Sargassum influx events**

**Project long title: Adapting to a new reality: managing responses to influxes of sargassum seaweed in the Eastern Caribbean as ecosystem hazards and opportunities**

## PROJECT GOAL

To reduce the impacts of and improve adaptation to sargassum influxes in the Eastern Caribbean, with emphasis on converting a climate-linked ecosystem hazard into an asset that supports opportunities for socio-economic development.

**PROJECT DURATION:**  
Dec 2019 to Dec 2022

## OVERVIEW

### THREE CORE PROJECT COMPONENTS

1. Knowledge Mobilised
2. Capacity Developed
3. Adaptation Plans Institutionalised

### PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES



Barbados



Dominica



Grenada



St. Lucia



St. Vincent & the Grenadines

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# Project Components

## 1. KNOWLEDGE MOBILISED

### Enhancing knowledge / understanding of patterns and impacts of sargassum

**Outcome:** Stakeholders' knowledge enhanced to appropriately respond and adapt to sargassum influxes with good practices.

**Activities:-**

- Research and data collection
- Economic assessment
- Monitoring protocols
- Tools & guidance materials
- Knowledge platform

## 3. ADAPTATION PLANS INSTITUTIONALISED

### Adaptation through practical applications

**Outcome:** Sargassum-smart communities with tangible climate adaptation benefits and reduced climate risk

**Activities:-**

- Continue production of the Eastern Caribbean sub-regional Sargassum Outlook Bulletin
- Community based demonstration projects
- Sargassum Symposium III w/ Expo
- Community and Sectoral Adaptation Plans
- Lessons learned

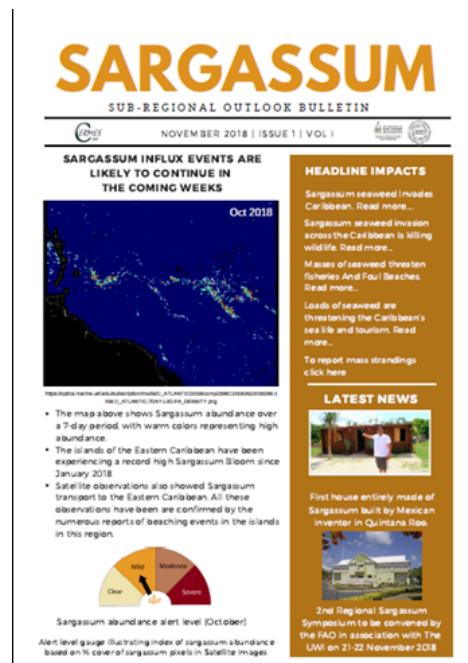
## 2. CAPACITY DEVELOPED

### Enhancing technical and institutional capacity

**Outcome:** Networks and partnerships built among science, industry and community stakeholders to promote best practices and innovation and sustain adaptation to sargassum influxes.

**Activities:-**

- Establish network of stakeholders
- Capacity development packages
- Delivery of training
- Regional Action Learning Group
- Technical and Organisational Assistance



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