



**Directory of
Regional**



**Caribbean
Civil Society**

Organizations

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Definitions

Purpose of the Directory

The primary purpose of the Directory is to make information on Caribbean regional civil society organizations available to institutions in the public, private, and civil society sectors, particularly those institutions that need to interact with civil society organizations within their spheres of operation. The structure of the Directory will evolve over time, enabling integration into national and regional program implementation modalities as practicable.

Definitions

Civil Society: The associations of citizens (outside their families, friends and businesses) entered into voluntarily to advance their interests, ideas and ideologies. The term does not include profit-making activity (the private sector) or governing (the public sector) (UN Panel of Eminent Persons, 2004, p. 13). The definition includes organizations such as trade unions, professional associations, social movements, indigenous people's organizations, religious and spiritual organizations, academe, and public-benefit non-governmental organizations.

Regional Organization: An organization registered in the Caribbean and having experience, working relationships, projects, or providing technical services in several countries within the Wider Caribbean Region.

Caribbean Civil Society Organization: A civil society organization that is registered in a Caribbean country, and whose main office is located in a Caribbean country.

Extra-regional or International Civil Society Organization: A civil society organization that is registered in a country outside the Caribbean, whose main office is located outside the Caribbean, and who works in countries within and outside the Caribbean.

Regional Program: A program that is not restricted to a single country or a sub-regional group of countries.

Regional Inter-Governmental Arrangement/Processes: Arrangements established by formal agreements (such as charters or treaties) between lawful representatives of states (e.g. Caribbean Forum, Association of Caribbean States, Caribbean Environment Programme, Caribbean Community).

Information Network: Network organized to facilitate information sharing, knowledge management, or technical expertise in support of a specific program.

Caribbean Natural Resources Institute (CANARI)

1. Date Organization was Registered: 1989
2. Country of Registration: Saint Lucia, United States Virgin Islands, Trinidad and Tobago
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Caribbean Natural Resources Institute (CANARI)
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5. Caribbean countries in which the organization has offices:
 - Trinidad and Tobago
6. Caribbean countries in which the organization operates or has operated:
 - CANARI's geographic focus is the islands of the Caribbean, including all thirteen independent countries¹ as well as the *departments* of France², autonomous countries and special municipalities within the Kingdom of the Netherlands³, the dependent territories of the United Kingdom⁴ and the associated commonwealth and territory of the United States⁵. This encompasses thirty-one island states or overseas territories (many of which are multi-island).

¹ Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Commonwealth of Dominica, Dominican Republic, Cuba, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Lucia, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago.

² There are four French territories or departments: Guadeloupe, Martinique, Saint-Barthélemy and Saint Martin.

³ Aruba, Curaçao, and Sint Maarten are autonomous countries within the Kingdom of the Netherlands. Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, and Saba are special municipalities with closer ties to the central government.

⁴ There are six Caribbean UKOTs: Anguilla, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Montserrat, Turks and Caicos, and the British Virgin Islands.

⁵ Puerto Rico is a self-governing commonwealth in association with the United States. The United States Virgin Islands is a territory of the United States.

7. Purpose of organization (1 sentence).

Mission: *“Promoting and facilitating equitable participation and effective collaboration in the management of natural resources critical to development in the Caribbean islands, so that people will have a better quality of life and natural resources will be conserved, through action learning and research, capacity building, communication and fostering partnerships.”*

8. Program Areas - give titles and thematic focus:

Thematic Programmes:

1. **Forests, Livelihoods and Governance:** To improve livelihoods and contribute to poverty reduction by promoting and facilitating sustainable use and governance of forests, building effective institutions and facilitating collaboration among key stakeholders, through participatory research, capacity building, and communication of lessons learned.
2. **Coastal and Marine Livelihoods and Governance:** To improve livelihoods and contribute to poverty reduction by promoting and facilitating sustainable use and governance of coastal and marine resources, building effective institutions and facilitating collaboration among key stakeholders, through participatory research, capacity building, and communication of lessons learned.

Strategy Programmes:

1. **Research:** To develop and implement research to build understanding of participatory natural resource governance issues, approaches, and results.
2. **Action Research and Learning:** To engage key change agents in action research and learning processes on participatory natural resource governance to expand knowledge and understanding, enhance the competencies of the actors involved, and facilitate practical problem-solving and effecting change.
3. **Communication:** To effectively communicate knowledge to build awareness, understanding and commitment of stakeholders and to influence policy for participatory natural resource governance in CANARI’s programmes and projects.
4. **Capacity Building:** To build capacity for participatory natural resource governance and sustainable natural resource-based livelihoods through conducting training, coaching, mentoring, small grants, training of trainers and mentors, and influencing the capacity building programmes of others.
5. **Internal governance and operational systems:** To enhance organizational performance for effective implementation of the Strategic Plan 2011-2016.

Issue Programmes:

1. **Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction:** To improve resilience of livelihoods and ecosystems to climate change and related disasters by building the capacity of stakeholders, particularly those most vulnerable to climate change, to participate effectively in ecosystem management and develop

appropriate responses to climate change, through research, action learning, capacity building and application and communication of lessons learned.

2. **Green Economy:** To effectively and equitably engage stakeholders in developing a model of economic development for the Caribbean that facilitates ecological sustainability and social equity.
 3. **Rural Livelihoods:** To support rural communities with the development of sustainable natural resource-based livelihoods through building capacity, catalysing partnerships and influencing policy to create an enabling institutional environment.
 4. **Civil Society and Governance:** To enhance the capacity of civil society stakeholders to participate equitably and effectively in the governance of natural resources, through research and action learning, innovative capacity building programmes and communication and application of lessons learnt.
9. Current projects being coordinated by the organization (give titles only):
- Strengthening Caribbean fisherfolk to participate in governance (<http://www.canari.org/cm2.asp>).
 - Making It Happen: Developing sustainable businesses in rural communities in Trinidad and Tobago and improving livelihoods through enterprise development (Phase III) (<http://www.canari.org/rurallivelihood4.asp>).
 - Analysing climate change policy and institutions in Saint Lucia and Trinidad and Tobago: Piloting a Caribbean process (<http://www.canari.org/ccddr7.asp>).
 - Consolidating the role of civil society in biodiversity conservation in the Caribbean islands (http://www.canari.org/civil_sub1.asp).
 - Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF) in the Caribbean Islands Biodiversity Hotspot (http://www.canari.org/civil_sub5.asp).
 - The search for a *new* economy in the Caribbean: Launching the programme of work for the Caribbean Green Economy Action Learning Group (http://www.canari.org/ge_projecth.asp).
10. Current projects in which the organization plays a supporting role (give titles only):
11. Participation in Caribbean regional inter-governmental arrangements:
- CANARI is a member of the CDEMA Civil Society Sub-Sector Committee.
12. Participation in Caribbean regional programs:
- “Catalysing Implementation of the Strategic Action Programme for the Sustainable Management of shared Living Marine Resources in the Caribbean and North Brazil Shelf Large Marine Ecosystems” (CLME+) GEF project.
 - Integrating Water, Land and Ecosystems Management in Caribbean Small Island Developing States (IWEco) GEF project.

- CANARI is identified in the CDEMA 10 year strategy as a partner for implementation of community-level disaster resilience building.
- CANARI has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre on communication and building community resilience and adaptive capacities to climate change.

13. Caribbean or global organization(s)/partnership arrangement(s) in which your organization is a member:

Global

- IUCN
- Green Economy Coalition
- Independent Research Forum

Caribbean

- Nature Caribé

14. Participation in Caribbean or global information networks:

15. Information systems maintained by your organization:

(a) Documentation Centre: Yes

(b) Online digital collection: _____ URL _____

(c) Databases (list): _____

16. Current number of staff: 8 Full time 3 Part time varies Voluntary

Information Updated: November 24, 2014

Caribbean Network for Urban and Land Management (CNULM)

1. Date Organization was Registered: 2008
2. Country of Registration: Trinidad and Tobago
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5. Caribbean countries in which the organization has offices:
 - Trinidad
6. Caribbean countries in which the organization operates or has operated:
 - Antigua and Barbuda; Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Guadeloupe/Martinique, Guyana, Haiti, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Trinidad & Tobago, Suriname.
7. Purpose of organization (1 sentence).

Mission statement: To provide a networking mechanism bringing together people, organizations, and institutions committed to enriching urban and land management processes in the Caribbean through regional dialogue, knowledge management and capacity building.
8. Program Areas - give titles and thematic focus (see explanatory notes):
 - Land Use Planning and Management
 - Urban issues

9. Current projects being coordinated by the organization (give titles only):
- CITYLAB CAR – Engaging students in sustainable Caribbean Cities.
 - Trinidad and Tobago pilot -Localizing the SDG.
 - Developing a national engagement strategy for the land sector (pilot study).
10. Current projects in which the organization plays a supporting role (give titles only):
- CITYLAB CAR – Engaging students in sustainable Caribbean Cities
11. Participation in Caribbean regional inter-governmental arrangements (see explanatory notes):
- CNULM has participated in CARICOM COTED meeting to provide input on urban issues.
 - CNULM has been involved in supporting the urban policy of the Caribbean Development Bank.
12. Participation in Caribbean regional programs (see explanatory notes):
- The CNULM has been the key driver behind the Caribbean Urban Forum (annual meeting of land use planners, academics, municipal managers and other decision makes in the land sector), the Caribbean Planners Association, and the Caribbean Urban Agenda.
13. Caribbean or global organization(s)/partnership arrangement(s) in which your organisation is a member:
- Member of the International Land Coalition.
14. Participation in Caribbean or global information networks (see explanatory notes):
- Member of the Global Land Tools Network.
15. Information systems maintained by your organization:
- (a) Documentation Centre: Published technical papers and conference proceedings related to the land sector.
- (b) Online digital collection:
- (c) Databases (list): We collect information on professional planners and institutions
 URL <http://bluespacecaribbean.com/resources/databases/>

16. Current number of staff: 1_Full time 1_Part time 0_Voluntary

Date of Submission: January 2, 2018

Environmental Protection in the Caribbean (EPIC)

1. Date Organization was Registered: August 15, 2000
2. Country of Registration: United States of America and St. Maarten
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Website: www.epicislands.org
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• Title:	Executive Director		
5. Caribbean countries in which the organization has offices:
 - St. Maarten
6. Caribbean countries in which the organization operates or has operated:
 - Haiti, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Anguilla, St. Martin, St. Maarten, St. Kitts & Nevis, Antigua & Barbuda, Dominica, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Grenada, Trinidad & Tobago
7. Purpose of organization (1 sentence).

To protect the Caribbean environment through research and community-based action.
8. Program Areas - give titles and thematic focus:
 - Songbirds as Environmental Indicators Program – ornithology, habitat, education, training.
 - Conservation of Wetlands and Coastal Habitats Program – research, water quality, wetland restoration, wetland conservation, education, advocacy.
 - Conservation of Key Marine Bird Habitats Program – ornithology, education

9. Current projects being coordinated by the organization (give titles only):
- Grenadines Seabird Project
 - Love the Lagoon project
 - Black-capped Petrel Project
10. Current projects in which the organization plays a supporting role (give titles only):
11. Participation in Caribbean regional inter-governmental arrangements:
12. Participation in Caribbean regional programs:
13. Caribbean or global organization(s)/partnership arrangement(s) in which your organization is a member:
- United Nations Decade on Biodiversity
 - Small Islands Big Difference campaign
14. Participation in Caribbean or global information networks:
- Ocean Biogeographic Information System Spatial Ecological Analysis of Megavertebrate Populations (OBIS/SEAMAP)
15. Information systems maintained by your organization:
- (a) Documentation Centre:
- (b) Online digital collection: Seabird Breeding Atlas of the Lesser Antilles.
<http://seamap.env.duke.edu/dataset/418>
- (c) Databases:
- Seabird Breeding Atlas of the Lesser Antilles
 - Wetland Bird Monitoring of St. Maarten/St. Martin
 - Black-capped Petrel Radar Results (Haiti, Dominican Republic)
 - Songbird Health and Survivorship (St. Martin)
 - Avian Influenza Monitoring of Lesser Antilles
16. Current number of staff: 1 Full time Part time 2 Voluntary

Information Updated: November 27, 2014

Foundation for Development Planning, Inc (FDPI)

1. Date Organization was Registered: October 1, 2010
2. Country of Registration: United States Virgin Islands
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Discussion Platform: [FDPI LinkedIn Group](#)
Social Media Platform: [FDPI Facebook Page](#)
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5. Caribbean countries in which the organization has offices:
 - U.S. Virgin Islands
6. Caribbean countries in which the organization operates or has operated:
 - U.S. Virgin Islands. The Articles of Incorporation of the Foundation mandates that it operates as a regional organization.
7. Purpose of organization (1 sentence).

To engage in programs that lead to the sustainable development of Caribbean communities.
8. Program Areas - titles and thematic focus:
 - Water Resources Management.
 - Climate Change Adaptation.
 - Development Planning and Research.
 - Development of Decision Support Tools.
 - Strengthening of the Caribbean Civil Society Sector.

9. Current projects being coordinated by the organization (give titles only):
- None
10. Current projects in which the organization plays a supporting role (give titles only):
- U.S. Virgin Islands Climate Change Program
11. Participation in Caribbean regional inter-governmental arrangements:
- None
12. Participation in Caribbean regional programs:
- Caribbean Landscape Conservation Cooperative
13. Caribbean or global organization(s)/partnership arrangement(s) in which your organization is a member:
- [GEF-CSO Network](#)
 - Regional Public Mechanism of the Regional Agreement on Principle 10 for Latin American and the Caribbean.
14. Participation in Caribbean or global information networks:
- None
15. Information systems maintained by your organization: Not applicable
- (a) Documentation Centre: _____
- (b) Online digital collection: _____ URL _____
- (c) Databases (list): _____
16. Current number of staff: 1 Full time 0 Part time 5 Voluntary

Information Updated: January 2, 2018

Museums Association of the Caribbean (MAC)

1. Date Organization was Registered: 1987
2. Country of Registration: Barbados
3. Address of Main Office:
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• Email:	Secretariat@caribbeanmuseums.com	
• Title:	Secretariat	Secretariat
5. Caribbean countries in which the organization has offices:
 - The Secretariat is based both in the UK and Dominican Republic, and is run by two former Presidents of MAC.
 - In effect, each of the 10 Board members has an informal 'office' related to MAC, especially the President and Treasurer. However, as these posts are only held for three years, it is always best to contact MAC through the Secretariat.
6. Caribbean countries in which the organization operates or has operated:
 - MAC operates throughout all of the Caribbean and in all language regions. It hosts an AGM which has been in 16 different Caribbean Islands since the first one in 1989.
7. Purpose of organization (1 sentence).

MAC was formed in 1987 to allow museums and related organizations and societies in the Caribbean to share experiences and skills.
8. Program Areas - give titles and thematic focus:
 - Training

- Research (slavery 2000, Caribbean Museum Survey 2011, Emergency Planning 2013)
- AGM – to meet and discuss the latest developments in the museum sector internationally and in the Caribbean
- Exchange Programme with the Pacific Islands Museum Association

9. Current projects being coordinated by the organization (give titles only):

- Emergency Training for the United Kingdom Overseas Territories in partnership with International Committee of Museums -UK

10. Current projects in which the organization plays a supporting role (give titles only):

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11. Participation in Caribbean regional inter-governmental arrangements:

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12. Participation in Caribbean regional programs:

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13. Caribbean or global organization(s)/partnership arrangement(s) in which your organization is a member:

- International Council of Museums – MAC is an affiliated member

14. Participation in Caribbean or global information networks:

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15. Information systems maintained by your organization:

- (a) Documentation Centre: _____
- (b) Online digital collection: _____ URL _____
- (c) Databases (list): _____

16. Current number of staff: 0 Full time 2 Part time (Secretariat)
 10 Voluntary (Board of MAC)

Date of Submission: May 9, 2013

The Trust for Sustainable Livelihoods (Sustrust)

1. Date Organization was Registered: April 9, 2002
2. Country of Registration: Trinidad & Tobago
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5. Caribbean countries in which the organization has offices:
 - Trinidad & Tobago
6. Caribbean countries in which the organization operates or has operated:
 - Trinidad & Tobago, Anguilla, Antigua & Barbuda, Dominica, St Lucia, St. Vincent & the Grenadines
7. Purpose of organization (1 sentence).

To help people better manage the natural resources on which their livelihoods depend.
8. Program Areas - give titles and thematic focus:
 - Training
 - Awareness building
 - Wise use of natural resources
 - Environmental governance

9. Current projects being coordinated by the organization (give titles only):
- Development of training programme for Caribbean Vocational Qualification Level 2 – Maintenance of Parks and Terrestrial Protected Areas.
10. Current projects in which the organization plays a supporting role (give titles only):
- Sustainable Land Management of the Northern Range Programme (Cropper Foundation)
11. Participation in Caribbean regional inter-governmental arrangements:
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12. Participation in Caribbean regional programs:
- Mitigating the Threats of Invasive Alien Species in the Caribbean (UNEP-GEF)
13. Caribbean or global organization(s)/partnership arrangement(s) in which your organization is a member:
- IUCN
 - Global Water Partnership-Caribbean
14. Participation in Caribbean or global information networks:
- GEF (accredited)
 - ECOSOC (accredited)
15. Information systems maintained by your organization:
- (a) Documentation Centre:
- (b) Online digital collection: Yes URL: www.sustrust.net
- (c) Databases (list):
16. Current number of staff: 0 Full time 0 Part time 3 Voluntary

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