



CARIBBEAN
CLIMATE-SMART
ACCELERATOR



Creating the
World's First
**Climate-Smart
Zone**



“Our central objective is to **transform** the region’s economy through climate-smart investment”



A Sustainable Development Model

Promoting investment opportunities that support climate action and economic growth, forging solutions that are workable, economically viable and globally relevant.

Our Genesis

The genesis of the Caribbean Climate-Smart Accelerator emerged from the urgent need to address the region's vulnerability to climate change and promote sustainable development.

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2018

CCSA is announced at President Macron's One Planet Summit. Led by Prime Ministers Roosevelt Skerrit of Dominica, Keith Mitchell of Grenada, Allen Chastanet of Saint Lucia and Virgin Group Founder Sir Richard Branson.

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2019

Initiated the process of registration in the region (Barbados) and application for 501C3 status in the United States of America. Formalizing commitments from CARICOM, IDB, World Bank, other philanthropic partners and establishment of the Board of Directors.

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2020

Richard Branson hosted the Island 1.5 Gathering fundraising event on Necker Island to raise the organization's operational funding. The organization also developed its operating model, recruited its leadership team, finalised its operational donors and revised its strategy.

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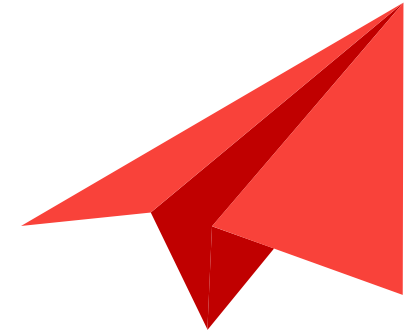
2021

The leadership team was onboarded and commenced implementation of the operating model and re-engagement of coalition countries & partners. Ignite primary projects, reassess the project pipeline, and reviewed the business strategy in light of COVID19 recovery.

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2022

With a full team on board CCSA moved toward executing against its key priorities: Matchmaking investors to projects and projects to opportunities; identifying and packaging a pipeline of opportunities aggregating projects by sector and geography to create economies of scale; driving innovation/technology; and raising awareness for the climate agenda.





About CCSA

CCSA identifies and unites commitments to build a more sustainable and resilient future for the Caribbean through collaboration between governments, regional and international institutions, and public and private sector organizations.

We are focused on knowledge-sharing, accelerating existing projects and catalyzing innovative partnerships between countries and organizations.

Our 3 Core Activities



Lighthouse projects

60%

Identifying and accelerating impactful projects to implement and scale

Relationship building

30%

Bridging gaps between governments, private sector implementation and funding



Advocacy

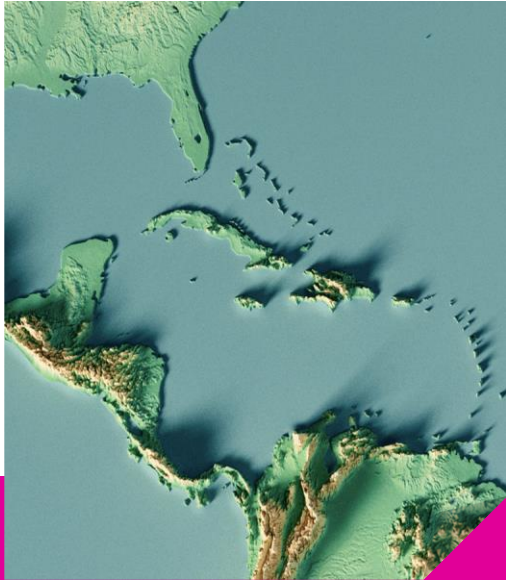
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Amplifying opportunities and progress in the Caribbean climate space



Four Core Pillars

CCSA has four core focus areas of work. These areas guide the organization's project selection, are aimed at accelerating regional transformation and creating a global blueprint for climate action.



Climate-Smart Map

A roadmap detailing the key milestones with costs, implications and timelines for moving at pace to our desired state.



90% Renewable Energy for All

A path to generate 90% of electricity from renewable resources and electrify the transport sector by 2035



Protecting 30% of our Land and Ocean by 2030

A strong governing framework and secure required investment to protect 30% of Caribbean land and ocean by 2030, including a focus on climate-smart agriculture & the blue economy



1.5% New Green Jobs

Strengthen the region's economic resilience against exogenous shocks by building climate action as an economic industry.

Key Priorities

Matchmaking investors and projects:

connecting donors, investors and philanthropy to regional projects, businesses, and key government leaders;

Identifying and packaging a pipeline of opportunities:

aggregating projects by sector and geography to create economies of scale;

Clearing impediments to implementation of climate-smart initiatives:

addressing regulatory challenges, developing roadmaps for investor-government mutual understanding, and providing the required high-level support to get projects started;

Driving innovation/technology: promoting the use of innovation to share best practices; and

Raising climate agenda awareness: the Caribbean as a beacon for the rest of the world.



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Collaboration & Partnerships



With a small but agile team, the CCSA seeks to build **strong partnerships** with countries, relevant institutions, innovation actors and critical stakeholders.



The Way **Forward**

We are constantly refining our project pipeline and have identified project preparation as a critical necessity to delivering projects that meet specific investment criteria.

We are diligently working to activate partnerships and opportunities for project development and early-stage financing to meet the needs of the region.

As we seek project preparation opportunities and roll out and/or match projects, we monitor for key cross-cutting themes including:

- Post COVID19 recovery
- Livelihood Generation
- Gender and Social Inclusion
- Climate Justice
- Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG)
- UN Sustainable Development Goals

Members & Partners

We support and leverage best-in-class implementing partners across the full range of focus areas, and matchmaker funders to help create a supportive ecosystem of solution providers, experts, and execution partners. Our members/partners include:

