



Planning for Resilience in the Caribbean SIDS

**Sustainable Development and Disaster Risk Management:
Financing and Planning for Disaster Risk Management (DRM)
in the Caribbean Small Island Developing States (SIDS)**

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Outline of Presentation

- ✓ Climate change impact in the Caribbean Region
- ✓ Integrated resilience building: Priorities for sustainable development in the Caribbean Sub-region
- ✓ Recommendations for an integrated planning framework for resilience building in the Caribbean SIDS



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Climate Change impacts – Caribbean Region

During 1990 - 2019, there were over 400 disasters in the Caribbean, 90.4% from hydro-climatic phenomena

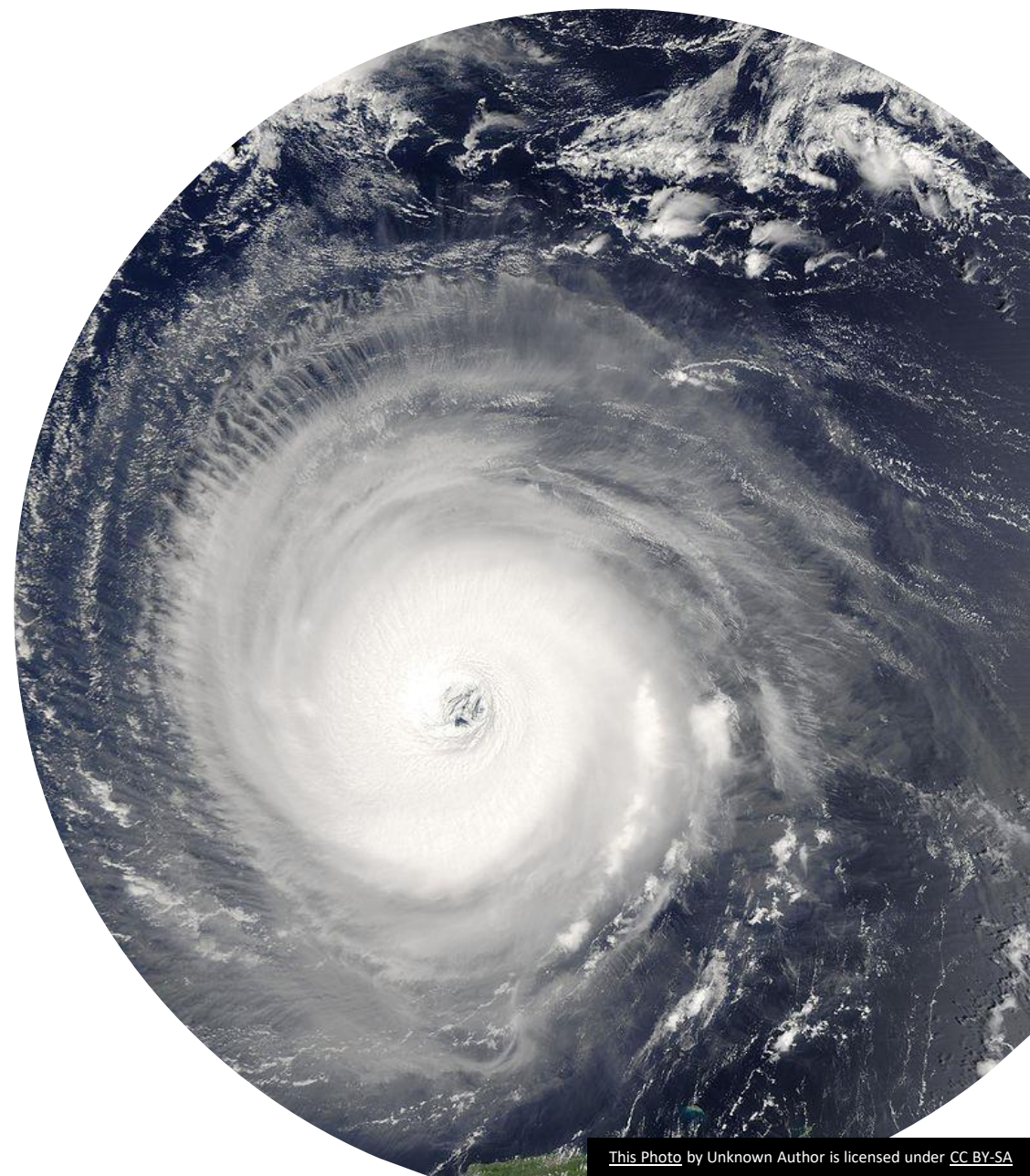
Highly active with an estimated 30 named severe hydro-climatic events, this is not accounting for severe droughts and other Climate Change impacts

1990–2019

2019

2020

In 2019 Hurricane Dorian caused US\$3.4b in the Bahamas.



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Priorities for Sustainable **Development** in the Caribbean SIDS



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An integrated planning framework for resilience building in the Caribbean SIDS

Recommendations

- Governance : Country driven approaches – horizontal and vertical planning.
- Financing
- Evidence-based planning : Planning in the subregion needs to be data driven and inclusive to enable all citizens to benefit.
- Data to inform national development planning and respond to national emergencies, including pandemics must be generated.
- Integrated Ecosystems and nature-based management.
- Due to COVID-19, the new generation of national sustainable development plans must incorporate policies that respond to the potential risks associated with a health pandemic.
- Bilateral, Regional and International cooperation including sharing of best practices and lessons learned.
- Communication and out-reach.

Thank you!

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