Shaping a Caribbean Regional Coordinating Mechanism to promote synergy in SIDS and SDG implementation

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Presentation Outline

• Brief History of the CDCC-RCM
• Key messages from the Learning Conference
• Towards a repositioned CDCC-RCM as the Caribbean Sustainable Development Forum
• Way forward
• Discussions
Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC), Regional Coordinating Mechanism (RCM)- in Brief

1995
Conceptualized

1998- RCM was first proposed as a coordinating mechanism for the implementation of the BPoA

2005-2006
Proposal for the CDCC-RCM accepted
-Noting the slow rate on implementation of the SIDS Agendas

2017, 2018- CDCC Resolutions for Ensuring synergy in the implementing of the 2030 agenda, the SAMOA pathway and other sustainable development agendas

2018—mid term review of the SAMOA Pathway, made recommendations on the CDCC-RCM on supporting SIDS Agendas

2019—to present arguments for a repositioned CDCC-RCM as the Caribbean SIDS Forum for Sustainable Development
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL (IGC (Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the CDCC))
Provides oversight of the work programme of the RCM (Secretariat)

NATIONAL FOCAL POINT MECHANISM
This is the institution that forms the point of contact between the IGC (CDCC) and the TAC
This provides for the Country owned and driven purpose of the RCM

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
Comprises 15 members: (Countries (4), Intergovernmental Institutions (4), Developmental Partners (3), including Caribbean Developmental Bank, Civil Society (1), University and 2 others…..

Caribbean Development And Cooperation Committee
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Regional Coordinating Mechanism (CDCC-RCM)
Implementation of the SIDS agenda has lagged behind in the Caribbean Region. It should not get lost and in particular within the SDGs.

Agenda 2030 has a better branding programme versus that of the SIDS agenda.

Recognizing that Climate Change is our reality – Climate financing is a priority.

There are other (SIDS) social and environmental priorities.
Towards a revisited and repositioned CDCC-RCM as the Caribbean Sustainable Development Forum

✓ The current CDCC-RCM is limited in its scope and structure for providing a long term, comprehensive and systematic mechanism supporting the Caribbean SIDS sustainable development agendas.

✓ The proposed CDCC-RCM repositioned seeks to address these requirements.
Towards a revisited and repositioned CDCC-RCM as the Caribbean Sustainable Development Forum

- Preserving the Caribbean SIDS identification
- Ensuring focus on the unique & special challenges for the sustainable development of SIDS
- To be country owned - driving the SIDS sustainable development agendas.
- Emphasis on strengthening institutional processes (versus focal person)
Towards a revisited and repositioned CDCC-RCM as the Caribbean Sustainable Development Forum, cont’d

• Space for Caribbean SIDS to have a common negotiating strategy
• Strengthening operational processes nationally, regionally and internationally to foster policy coherence
• A decision on the continued functioning of the CDCC-RCM is required
Proposed way forward the CDCC-RCM functioning as the Caribbean Sustainable Development Forum

ECLAC, the RCM TAC and other key partners to further develop and finalize the proposal for the repositioned CDCC-RCM. The proposed repositioned CDCC-RCM should:

• Formalize linkages: Bridge between the technical and political – nationally, regionally and internationally
• Use similar model of HLPF – clusters
• Amend the composition of the TAC to include more countries (to refine the agenda)
• Include specifics on the following functions:
  ✓ Administrative
  ✓ Institutional
  ✓ Financial and including options for funding
  ✓ Reporting rules and procedures
Proposed way forward the CDCC-RCM functioning as the Caribbean Sustainable Development Forum, cont’d

• Build on the Caribbean SIDS sustainable development agendas and priorities to include the engagement of major groups, civil society and the private sector
• ECLAC to convene a RCM TAC meeting for review to this revised repositioned CDCC RCM
• Present this revised, repositioned CDCC RCM at the 28th Session of the CDCC in 2020
Next Steps

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Thank you,
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