# Third meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development

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#### REGIONAL AND GLOBAL DIMENSIONS OF THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development











# The Forum: an example of multilateralism and regional collaboration to follow-up, review and implementation of the 2030 Agenda











It meets annually under the auspices of ECLAC

It provides a bridge between national, subregional, regional and global levels

It convenes governments, civil society, youth network, private sector, academia, UN and regional system entities among others

It considers the specific needs and challenges of the Caribbean

It sustains the VNR process, feeds into the HLPF and ECLAC subsidiary bodies





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#### The Third Meeting of the Regional Forum in numbers

- More than 1,200 participants
- 153 delegates from 28 countries, all Residents Coordinators of the region, UN system and other organizations
- In particular, 10 Caribbean countries with dedicated sessions and sideevents



- > 50 side events
- Attendees: 51% of women/49 % of men



### The Caribbean participation in the Regional Forum







### Highlights of the Third Meeting of the Regional Forum













Presentation & discussion on the Quadrennial report

Regional Workshop on Escazú agreement

Dialogue with UN Special Envoy for Climate Change Summit

Multistakeholder side-events

Latin
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Special session on "Towards the General Assembly 2019"





# The Panel on Challenges of implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the Caribbean









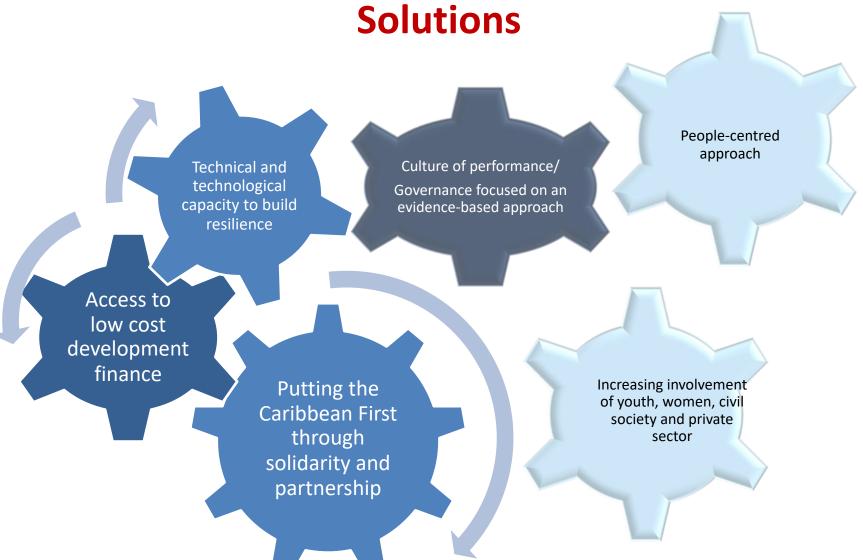
### Highlights of the Caribbean Panel-Challenges







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## Side-event: Caribbean relevant Climate Change and Disaster Indicators- ECLAC new project

**Objective:** To enhance the climate change and disaster risk reduction statistical and institutional capacities of countries in the Caribbean to improve policy coherence in the implementation of the SDGs, the SAMOA Pathway, the Paris Agreement, and the Sendai Framework.

#### **Expected results:**

✓ Strengthened national statistical and institutional capacities of Caribbean SIDS to sustainably produce and disseminate relevant internationally agreed climate change and disaster risk reduction indicators;

✓ Strengthened regional capacities of Caribbean SIDS stakeholders to use the indicators for sustainable evidence-based development policies.









### Key points of the agreed conclusions and recommendations

- Stressed the importance of addressing the diverse needs and challenges faced by all developing countries, including SIDS, as well as the specific challenges facing middle-income countries;
- Applauded the ECLAC "Caribbean first" initiative and the peer learning sessions on challenges of implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the Caribbean;
- ➤ 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and Caribbean on Sustainable Development will take place in Cuba, in April 2020;
- ECLAC will prepare an updated version of the **progress report** for the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Forum and present it two month in advance;
- Encouraged further **engagement of civil society**, including through the Mechanism for the participation of civil society in the Sustainable Development Agenda, adopted by civil society at the margins of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Forum.





# More information on the website of the Forum: <a href="https://foroalc2030.cepal.org/2019/en">https://foroalc2030.cepal.org/2019/en</a>









"We leave the Forum with the clarity that the territory matters and that it is necessary to take the Agenda to the people, to children, to adolescents, indigenous persons, to all men and all women"



Thank you!



