



## GCCA Intra-ACP Programme

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# Summary Report and Conclusions

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Technical Meeting of the GCCA Intra-ACP Programme

25 – 26 April 2016

Port Louis, Mauritius

Indian Ocean Commission (IOC)



## 1. Introduction

The Intra-ACP Global Climate Change Alliance (GCCA) programme is an initiative of the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Group of States with the main objective to help ACP Member States to better tackle climate change as a challenge to their development, and in particular to improve understanding of the effects of climate change and to contribute to adequate adaptation and mitigation responses.

The first and the second regional technical meetings (RTMs), held in 2013 and 2014, built the ground for dialogue and meaningful conversation among the GCCA Intra-ACP regional implementing entities on best practices and lesson learned drawn from regional implementation activities.

Building on the outcomes of the 21st session of the Conference of the Parties (COP21) to the UNFCCC, in Paris in December 2015, the meeting focused on the African, Caribbean and Pacific Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and the challenges they face as consequence of climate change.

The Third RTM was co-organized and hosted by the Indian Ocean Commission (IOC) in Port Louis, Mauritius on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of April 2016.

### 1.1. Specific objectives of RTM3:

- ✓ To facilitate dialogue and exchange of best practices among the ACP SIDS and coastal zones in the management of coastal and marine resources and blue economy, in order to promote climate change adaptation and mitigation.
- ✓ To Identify priority actions promoting inter and intra regional cooperation and coordination in ACP SIDS and coastal zones in the implementation of the outcomes of COP 21, taking into account the conclusions of the ACP Special post-COP21 meeting (Brussels 22nd and 23rd March 2016, ACP House).

The third RTM aimed to achieve the above-mentioned objectives, first through the drafting of two briefing papers on blue economy and on management of coastal zones to foster discussion among the regional partners. These papers have been drafted by an external consultant hired by the Climate Support Facility (CSF) under the work order 79 "Expert to support the 3rd Regional Technical Meeting of the GCCA Intra-ACP Programme". Unfortunately, the two briefing papers could not be shared with the regional partners before the third RTM because of time constraints. However, the consultant presented them during the technical meeting and fostered constructive discussion among the participants.

Second, the third RTM set out to reach the objectives through the drafting of an action plan for Small Island Developing States (SIDS) shaped according to the inputs received by the regional partners.

During the ACP Special Post-COP21 meeting, which took place on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of March 2016 in Brussels, the ACP Group of States discussed an ACP Action Plan to set out their priorities in view of the implementation of the Paris Agreement. The SIDS Action Plan is meant to be a stand-alone document, which built upon the ACP Action Plan but sets out SIDS priorities only.

### 1.2. Participants

- ACP Secretariat: Expert in Rural Development, Food Security and Environment, **Mr. Olusola Ojo**, Environment and Climate Change Programme Officer, **Mr. Edmund Jackson**

- GCCA Intra-ACP Programme: Technical Adviser to the ACP Secretariat, **Dr. Pendo Maro** and Junior climate change expert, **Ms. Francesca Antifora**
- Climate Support Facility (CSF): CSF Administrator, **Mr. Manuel Harchies** and Independent Consultant for Work Order 79, **Ms. Isabelle Mamaty**.
- Regional components' organizations:
  - **Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)**: Climate Change Advisor, **Mr. Mclay Kanyangarara**
  - **Permanent Interstates Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS)/Regional Centre Agrhyemet**: Forestry Expert, **Mr. Maguette Kaire**
  - **African Climate Policy Centre/ Climate for Development in Africa/UNECA (ACPC/ClimDev)**: Senior Programme Officer, **Mr. Joseph Intsiful**
  - **Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC)**: Caribbean Programme Manager, **Mr. Joseph MCGann** and Consultant, **Mr Ottis Joslyn**
  - **Caribbean Community Secretariat (CARICOM)**: Senior Project Officer Sustainable Development, **Ms. Amrikha D. Singh**
  - **University of the South Pacific (USP)**: Director Pacific Centre for Environment and Sustainable Development (PACE-SD), **Prof. Elisabeth Holland** and Project Team Leader for the USP EU GCCA project, **Ms. Patrina Dumaru**
  - **Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat (PIFs)**: Climate Change Finance Adviser, **Mr. Exsley Taloiburi**
- **Delegation of the European Union to Mauritius**: Ambassador and Head of Delegation, **H.E. Marijana Sall** and Project Manager, **Mr. Rajesh Parboteeah**.
- **Indian Ocean Commission (IOC)**: Secretary General of the IOC, **Mr. Jean Claude de l' Estrac** and Climate Change and Environment Advisor, **Mr. Jean-Baptiste Routier**
- **Ministry of Environment**, Sustainable Development, Disaster and Beach Management in Mauritius, **Mrs D. Lan Ng** and Environment Officer Climate Change Division at the Ministry, **V. Kanhye**
- **LTS International**: Expert for WO78 “Expert to support the GCCA Intra-ACP Programme on Assessing the Implementation and Outcomes of the Programme”, **Mr. Karel Ameije**.

## 2. Plenary sessions

The third RTM has been organized over one day and half using plenary sessions to discuss three themes: management of coastal zones and marine resources in Small Islands Developing States (SIDS); the Blue Economy – opportunities for climate change adaptation and mitigation in SIDS; perspectives on improving inter and intra regional cooperation.

On the second day, a draft ACP SIDS Action Plan was presented for discussion among the regional partners. The Action Plan was supposed to be finalized on the second day but the ACP Secretariat and the regional partners decided to postpone the finalization to after the meeting in order to incorporate the inputs provided during the RTM and additional inputs from the regional partners.

- **Day 1: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2016**

The opening remarks were delivered by Mr. Olusola Ojo, Expert in Rural Development, Food Security and Environment, Ms. Marjaana Sall, Ambassador of the European Union to the Republic of Mauritius, who welcomed the idea of discussing the SIDS issue because of their vulnerability to the effects of the climate change. Opening remarks were also delivered by Mrs D. Lan NG, Director of Environment at the Ministry of Environment, Sustainable Development, Disaster and Beach Management and by the Secretary General of the Indian Ocean Commission (IOC), Mr. Jean Claude de l'Estrac.

Under the first theme, the independent consultant hired by the CSF to carry out Work Order 78, Ms. Isabelle Mamaty, opened the RTM discussion providing a presentation on the integrated coastal zone management (ICZM) topic with relative challenges and barriers in SIDS and coastal ACP States. The presentation built upon the technical briefing paper on the same subject that the consultant drafted specifically for the RTM.

USP presented, under the first theme, the crucial importance of the coastal management in the Pacific SIDS considering that most of the communities live on the coastal areas or are ecologically connected to the coast. The issue of 'retreat' or move away from the coast line, because of natural disasters, is advancing fast given the high cost of coastal protection investments. The Pacific Region underlined the need to use an integrated approach to coastal management in SIDS that enables the generation of decision-making processes to strengthen the adaptive capacities in a specific place. The Pacific representatives stressed the need to include climate and disaster risk assessment into the existing coastal management frameworks together with the use of vulnerability assessments and monitoring and evaluation to better support the resilience development planning.

UNECA presented the climate change effects in African SIDS and what these mean for them, outlining the main priorities for African Small Island Developing States such as training and capacity building to enhance climate information services, support for collecting data on a centralized database, support to develop a national climate change strategy to enhance data sharing and identification of priority activities and so forth. These priorities were the result of the consultative workshop that UNECA organized in April 2015. The technical assistance and support that UNECA provides African SIDS include workshops and events together with the facilitation of deployment of a new system for weather prediction and early warning.

COMESA presented its view of cooperation in coastal and marine resources management, underlining the importance of learning from unsuccessful attempts or 'failures' and the crucial role of sharing best practices to do better. COMESA highlighted the best examples coming from each of the ACP regions: institutional development and capacity building from the Caribbean Region; community engagement and involvement of non-state actors from the Pacific and the presidential and ministerial conferences, the African Group of Negotiators and the Climate Smart Agriculture from the African Region. COMESA recognized the key role played by the GCCA Programme and the relevance of the Regional Technical Meetings in order to lift the climate change subject to a political level and foster the sharing of experiences.

From the African Region, CILSS/Agrhymet also made a presentation on the effects of the rising sea levels on the West African development, in particular the effects of the salinization of the land. CILSS/Agrhymet called for the establishment of a sub-regional network to tackle the salinization of the land and for pursuing joint programmes with other countries experiencing the same problem.

#### **Main issues during the plenary discussion**

Prof. Holland asked for the rationale of the focus on SIDS and coastal management for this RTM meeting. The ACP Secretariat addressed the question explaining that the ACP Group of States has decided to focus on SIDS and their main challenges because of their vulnerability to climate change. To this purpose the ACP Secretariat has also set up a specific SIDS Forum in Brussels. This RTM meeting is a follow-up to the side event on the Blue Economy organized by the ACP Secretariat in Paris during COP21. To the USP question about the type of correlation between the SIDS Forum and the ACP Secretariat, the latter stated that the objective of the SIDS forum is to integrate the issues that Small Islands Developing States are facing into the several programmes the ACP Group of States is developing.

The ACP Secretariat commended the Pacific presentation on coastal management, underlining that it addressed the key issues of the Region in a clear and thorough way. The ACP Secretariat asked USP about the key areas where the Pacific Region would like to act more urgently. USP raised the urgent issue of declared states of emergency in the North of the Pacific Region, mainly due to the danger of tropical cyclones and typhoons, with consequences to the Pacific economy. USP stressed that meteorological data is fundamental to rebuild what has been destroyed and to be prepared for the next natural disasters.

With regards to the presentation made by UNECA, the ACP Secretariat raised the question of coordination and coherence of action in the African continent. The question meant to better understand the role of UNECA in coordinating other organizations active in the continent. The Secretariat intended to find out whether during the consultative workshop that UNECA organized in April 2015 any common issues or elements at African level were identified. UNECA highlighted that Africa was the most difficult continent to coordinate activities on the ground. Collaboration with the African Union (AU) is on going to make sure that climate change is properly addressed and with the African Development Bank (AfDB) to access financial resources. The African Region is currently also focusing on the on Blue Economy, intending to find solution to the common issues in the region.

COMESA underlined the importance of the SIDS issues and the need to align and give them the same level of attention as the issues on the mainland. COMESA was about to organize an important meeting with the meteorological services and the results will be shared with the Heads of State in order to sensibilise the political high level representatives about the urgency of climate change and the need for financial support to climate action. .

The second theme discussed during the first day of the third RTM was the Blue Economy: opportunities for climate change adaptation and mitigation in SIDS. The CSF expert delivered a presentation on the definition of the Blue Economy, the challenges and opportunities for SIDS and the ACP Group of States. The presentation summarized the content of the second technical briefing paper that the consultant prepared for the third RTM for discussion.

UNECA delivered a presentation on the so-called “Blue World”, its value and what this means for African SIDS. UNECA underlined the importance of the blue economy in terms of high productivity potential, which could lead to continental transformation and growth. The African representative highlighted the challenges to the development of the blue economy, namely the illicit financial flows (illicit fishing, multinational companies’ profits, tax evasion through tax havens...) and climate change with its effects on the tourism sector and development policy. UNECA also outlined a seven-step process for the blue economy policy development, where coordination, country ownership, sector prioritization and monitoring and evaluation are fundamental to the successful policy implementation.

CARICOM delivered a presentation providing first an overview of the main activities in place at international and regional level for SIDS and the development of the blue economy. In particular, the issue of “Ocean Governance” has had relevance given the existence of an Ocean Governance Programme. The concept of blue economy has been incorporated by CARICOM and is in line with their priorities to ensure food security given the importance of fisheries in the region. The Caribbean representative also outlined the threats that climate change poses to the development of blue economy policies and possible areas of intervention for mitigation and adaptation policies (energy efficiency in the fishery sector, improvement of the marine biodiversity, SIDS marine management initiatives, ecosystem restoration, climate financing and capacity building for fishery communities to build economic resilience).

USP on behalf of the Pacific region presented its view on the blue economy and what it means for the Pacific Large Ocean States. Sustainable development for the Pacific States relies on the health of the marine environment and a shift from vulnerability to value through the blue economy needs to occur, safeguarding and properly managing the marine resources. The key is to manage the resources in a sustainable way, reducing illicit fishing and overfishing and building resilience of the marine ecosystems and coral reefs to climate change. The Pacific Region has started to work on the blue economy putting in place relevant initiatives such as the “Framework for Pacific Oceanscapes” for a sustainable approach to ocean management and the “Blue Carbon Initiative” to mitigate the effects of climate change through the restoration and sustainable use of coastal and marine ecosystems.

The USP has also engaged in a new project, which has been formulated in response to the challenges of climate change, namely the Pacific Environment and Climate Exchange (PECX). It has been designed to fill in the gap between the philosophy of public aid and the private sector. In fact a private sector platform has been created to match Pacific islands’ projects with funding and support. This initiative has been established to complement the already existing efforts of numerous organizations working on the ground on climate issues and not to compete with them.

#### ***Main issues during the plenary discussion***

With regards to the needs of the Pacific Islands Countries (PICs), PIFs stressed the importance of supporting the Pacific in accessing the available finance for climate change adaptation. Almost all the Pacific countries have submitted their Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs) and they are truly committed to carry out climate policies with the necessary financial resources.

The financial resources are also vital when it comes to the institutional support in the Pacific Region: the Pacific Climate Change Assessment Framework provides support at national level in terms of mainstreaming climate change into development policies, ensuring gender equality, strengthening institutional capacity, but what is urgently needed is to access climate funds able to provide the adequate support.

The implementation of climate change policies is also problematic given the lack of human capacity available in the countries even though climate changes mechanisms are set up.

CILSS shared the Pacific concern on accessing finance proposing coordination at national level as key to be able to secure financial resources. Having a Regional Programme would help to coordinate efforts to access climate finance, such as the Green Climate Fund (GCF).

The ACP Secretariat raised the question of funding with regards to the implementation of the activities that UNECA is planning going forward. UNECA stressed the importance of the role of the ACP Secretariat in securing additional funding considering that the first cycle of the GCCA Intra-ACP Programme is about to end.

With regards to the Pacific region, the ACP Secretariat posed the question on loss and damage and the relation to the issues that the region is and has experienced so far, in particular with regards to the matter of relocation from the coastal areas to the mainland. Prof. Holland's answer focused first on the real nature of the issue of relocation, which carries a whole list of issues such as diseases, gender inequality, psychological conditions, absenteeism and so forth.

The problem of relocation will have relevance for the loss and damage discussion but USP is not sure yet in what way it will be framed. USP underlined that this issue is not considered new in Fiji but a coordinated approach to the matter is what constitutes an improvement to the earlier scenario.

The EU Delegation weighed in highlighting that several sources of funding are available but they should be allocated in the right way and the Governments should have the institutional capacity to make the best use of them.

➤ Day 2: Tuesday 26th April 2016

On Day 2, the ACP Secretariat provided a short summary of the first day and the main issues that rose during the plenary discussion.

The second day of the third RTM aimed at discussing perspectives on improving inter and intra regional cooperation and at delivering a SIDS Action Plan, which would include inputs from the regional partners on the main priorities and policies to tackle SIDS challenges on climate change.

A short introduction of the independent consultant in charge of Work Order 78 "Expert to support the GCCA Intra-ACP Programme on Assessing the Implementation and Outcomes of the Programme" was provided to the participants before the Programme Steering Committee (PSC) on the next day.

Every regional partner delivered a presentation listing the main priorities to improve inter and intra regional cooperation. The main key points are listed below:

- CILSS highlighted the need to intensify the partnerships and exchanges among the regional partners in the field of training; develop intra and inter-regional synergies in areas such as the impact of climate change in specific sectors; organize exchange visits among the regions to be arranged by the ACP Secretariat; develop joint regional programmes and a regional roadmap for the preparation of events such as COP22.
- UNECA stressed the importance of consolidating the early warning and numerical weather predictions systems in place in SIDS; delivering technical support and climate services facility in SIDS and coastal communities; establishing E-infrastructure and labs to map marine and coastal resources to develop blue economy. Moreover, UNECA highlighted the need to strengthen the new Climate Research for Development programme and support the climate and development governance in Africa, together with the necessary support for the blue economy, information and knowledge management in ACP countries as well as a coordination mechanism for ACP-GCCA in Africa.
- CARICOM called for a more strategic approach taken by institutions such as the ACP Secretariat to facilitate the dialogue and the enabling environment for a better inter and intra regional cooperation. CARICOM also stressed the importance of the role of the ACP Secretariat in advocating the case of SIDS as a special case for sustainable development. To better improve the cooperation at SIDS level, a partnership platform among the intergovernmental institutions is needed together with efforts to promote SIDS partnerships initiatives at UN level and enabling mechanisms to foster South-South cooperation (e.g. technical cooperation fund).
- CCCCC called for additional support to the regional partners to develop projects for financing together with capacity building in terms of climate risk and impact tools at national and community

level. The Caribbean representative stressed the importance of cooperation with other regional organizations and of training for Pacific, Indian Ocean and AOSIS partners on climate impact tools. The climate modeling network and instruments should be strengthened and policy makers should be kept informed at all times to properly negotiate during international climate negotiations.

- The Pacific Region, represented in this section by PIFs, called for strengthening the support of GCCA to Pacific in their implementation of climate change adaptation, further integration of ecosystem based management into climate change and disaster resilient strategies; supporting the Pacific in their access to finance; supporting research and climate services with a focus on Pacific capacity building, knowledge management and innovation; fostering synergies among the ACP Group of States through lessons sharing; supporting the Pacific Islands States in the implementation of the Paris Agreement and ensuring the adequate representation of the ACP Group of States at COP22 and other international climate negotiations.

At the end of the regional presentations, the independent consultant in charge of carrying out the WO 78 delivered a short introduction of the purpose of the work order to be better elaborated during the following PSC meeting on the next day.

The consultant in charge of WO79, hired by CSF to deliver two briefing papers and the final ACP SIDS Action Plan, presented the draft Action Plan to the attendees of the RTM explaining the process behind it and its rationale, which builds on the conclusions and recommendations from the two last RTMs together with the inputs during the RTM3.

The draft action plan outlines the focus areas, the activities to be carried out and areas for potential collaboration among the ACP regions (please see attached).

The final draft was supposed to be finalized by the end of the RTM but the regional partners together with the ACP Secretariat decided to finalize it after the meeting so as to include all the comments and inputs provided during the discussion and afterwards.

### **3. Conclusions**

- Small Islands Developing States are considered the most vulnerable to the effects of climate change and they need additional support in their climate resilient policies.
- The regional partners highlighted the importance of an integrated coastal zone management plan in SIDS considering the presence of communities living on coastal areas.
- The Blue Economy offers multiple opportunities for climate change adaptation and mitigation in SIDS and ACP Group of States. However, several challenges still remain to prevent its full development.
- Access to finance is crucial to SIDS to be able to implement climate policies and mainstream them into development ones.
- Partnerships and exchanges among the regional partners are fundamental to improve the inter and intra regional cooperation.
- The role of the ACP Secretariat in facilitating regional dialogue and cooperation is very much needed.
- The regional partners called on the ACP Secretariat to advocate the case of SIDS and the multiple challenges they face.
- The regional partners called for additional support by the GCCA in developing climate strategies and for the implementation of the Paris Agreement.

- The draft SIDS Action Plan will support framing SIDS priorities and constructive activities to carry out in the areas of coastal management and blue economy. The attached final version includes all regional partners 'contributions.

## The Intra-ACP GCCA Programme

### THIRD REGIONAL TECHNICAL MEETING

Port Louis, Mauritius

25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> April 2016

#### DRAFT AGENDA

##### 1<sup>st</sup> day

09.30: Opening remarks by *Mr. Olusola Ojo, Expert in Rural Development, Food Security and Environment, ACP Secretariat* (5 minutes)

09.35: Opening remarks by *Mrs Marjaana SALL, Ambassador of the European Union to the Republic of Mauritius, to the Union of Comoros and to the Republic of Seychelles, EU Delegation* (10 minutes)

09.45: Opening remarks by *Mr Simon Springett, UN Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative* (10 minutes)

09.55: Opening remarks by *Mr Jean Claude de l'Estrac, Secretary General, Indian Ocean Commission - IOC* (10 minutes)

#### **Management of coastal and marine resources in Small Island Developing States**

10:05: Short Introduction by Expert (Ms Isabelle Mamaty) – (10 minutes)

10.15: **COFFEE BREAK** (15 minutes)

10:30: Presentations from Caribbean (40minutes)

11:10: -Presentations from Pacific (40minutes)

11:50: Q&A session (40 minutes)

12: 30: **LUNCH BREAK** (1h30)

#### **Management of coastal and marine resources in Small Island Developing States**

14.00: Presentations from Africa (45minutes)

14.45: Q&A session (15 minutes)

#### **The Blue Economy: Opportunities for climate change adaptation and mitigation in SIDS**

15.00: Short Introduction by Expert (Ms Isabelle Mamaty)- (5 minutes)

15:05 - Presentation from Africa (40 minutes)

15.45: Q&A session and discussion (15 minutes)

16.00: **COFFEE BREAK** (15minutes)

### **The Blue Economy: Opportunities for climate change adaptation and mitigation in SIDS**

16.15: -Presentation from Caribbean (10minutes) 16.25: Presentation from Pacific (10minutes)

16.35: Q&A session and discussion (15 minutes)

16.50: Closing remarks (10 minutes)

17.00: Closure of the 1<sup>st</sup> of day of meeting

### **2<sup>nd</sup> day**

09.30: Summary of the day one by ACP Secretariat (15 minutes)

### **09.45: Perspectives on improving inter and intra regional cooperation**

- Joint presentation from Africa (30 minutes)
- Joint presentation from Caribbean (30 minutes)
- Joint presentation from Pacific (30 minutes)

11.15: Q&A session (30 minutes)

11.45: Introduction of Expert (Mr Karel Ameije) assessing implementation and outcomes of the Programme (10 minutes)

11.55: Presentation of ACP SIDS Action Plan (Ms Isabelle Mamaty) (15 minutes)

12.10: Discussion and finalization of the Action Plan (35 minutes)

12.45: Closing remarks (15 minutes)

13.00: Closing of the Third RTM meeting

## **Third Regional Technical Meeting of the Intra-ACP Global Climate Change Alliance (GCCA) Programme**

**25-26 May, 2016 – Mauritius**

***Draft Action plan paper***

### ***Introduction:***

The present action plan originates from discussions during the Third Regional Meeting in Mauritius from 25-26 May 2016. Two technical papers on *Blue Economy and Integrated Coastal and Marine resource management* were presented. These introductions were followed by presentations of the regional perspective of these themes by each region representatives and plenary discussions. A draft Action plan was discussed the second day and it was agreed to circulate the version for additional comments from the regions. Therefore, this version includes final comments received from the regions.

**DRAFT ACP ACTION PLAN FOR SIDS in the area of CC/SD/Environment addressing coastal management and blue economies**

Area of focus	Actions/Activities	Areas for potential collaboration
<b>1- Coastal Management &amp; Risks &amp; Protection</b>	ICZM Mapping & spatial planning Relocation Waste management Vulnerability and Risks assessments Evaluation of loss and damage Promote and implement soft engineering initiatives	Quantification of impacts of CC on coastal areas and strategic sectors (LIDAR Technology) Building resilience of communities Waste disposal inclusive of wastewater and sludge treatment facilities Capacity building and exchange of experiences on coastal engineering and protection
<b>2- Promotion of Sustainable Economic Development</b>		Complementarities between sustainable islands and cities Climate Smart Agriculture applied to coastal zones
Fisheries	Support the provision and use of climate related information in fisheries to support decision making and increase resilience  Support planning for climate adaption to enable coastal fishing communities meet the challenges related to climate change and hazards and secure their social economic wellbeing  Support institutions to provide robust fisheries management strategies under changing climate condition  Enhancement of fish biomass (food security) Development of Aquaculture	

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	<p>Coral reef restoration and rehabilitation</p> <p>Mangrove reforestation and rehabilitation</p> <p>Sea Grass Beds restoration and rehabilitation</p>	<p>Trade</p> <p>Evaluation and monitoring of health of coral reefs and its ecosystem</p> <p>Monitoring nursery sites for fishes</p>
Tourism	Development and promotion of ecotourism and sustainable tourism	High quality niche tourism versus mass tourism
Agriculture	<p>Climate smart agriculture</p> <p>Food security</p> <p>Develop and implement resilient crops to drought and pests and diseases</p>	<p>Climate Smart Agriculture applied to coastal zones</p> <p>Reassessing the crops best suited for certain conditions</p>
Water Resources security	<p>Water sources and accessibility</p> <p>Increase water harvesting and storage</p> <p>Increase efficiency in the distribution and usage (reduction of leakage through technology)</p> <p>Strengthen water governance</p>	
Infrastructure	<p>Water facility (resilient water transmission and distribution network) &amp; port facility</p> <p>Climate proofing coastal infrastructure</p>	
Energy	Development, promotion and deployment of renewable energy	Technology transfer
<b>3- Information &amp; decision support systems &amp; knowledge management</b>	<p>Development of Climate change information services</p> <p>High resolution climate change projections</p>	Information sharing, ICT

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<b>4- Enforcement, Legal, Regulatory &amp; Policy &amp; Governance Issues</b>		
	<p>Involvement of Non State actors</p> <p>Promotion of decentralisation</p> <p>Promotion of synergies, coherence and coordination intra and inter regions (including donor coordination)</p> <p>Development of sound replacement policy</p>	<p>Institutional development and capacity building</p> <p>Non –state actors and community engagement</p> <p>Joint plans/actions</p> <p>Development of strategies/plans at inter and intra regional levels</p>
INDCs/NDCs	<p>Revision of NDCs/ integration of BE</p> <p>Development of bankable projects</p>	<p>Inter and intra Coordination actions for the implementation of INDCs</p>
UNFCC negotiations	<p>Development of science-based arguments to make a strong case for SIDS in the UNFCC negotiations (tax for acidification, mangrove carbon sequestration, loss and damage compensation...)</p> <p>Strengthening contribution of SIDS in IPCC work</p> <p>Strengthening SIDS engagement within international forum</p> <p>Supporting strong representation and united ACP voice for COP22 and subsequent COPs, IPCC Meetings....</p> <p>Enhanced negotiators knowledge on climate change impacts</p>	<p>Common positions/ common roadmap</p> <p>Advocacy through African group of negotiators, African Union as well as UN high level Political forum...</p> <p>Advocacy a role for the ACP to promote the SIDS designation as a special case for sustainable cooperation and partnership platform among SIDS intergovernmental organisations</p> <p>Technical cooperation fund to reactivate</p>
<b>5-Blue Economy /Private sector</b>	<p>Assessment and valuation of blue “capital”:</p> <p>Evaluation of non-market good and services</p> <p>Carbon sequestration</p> <p>Economic data</p> <p>New green accounting methods</p>	
<b>6- Capacity Building, Education, and Awareness</b>	Capacity Building (including Building capacity for institutions	Document, share, copy and improve on successes

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	<p>to access to climate funds</p> <p>Building capacity at community and national levels with continuous follow up</p> <p>Education, and Awareness</p> <p>Sharing best practices</p> <p>Youth and gender capacity building</p>	<p>Best practices sharing in advocacy, community engagement</p> <p>Sharing experiences in training at community and national levels</p> <p>Exchange intra and inter-regional visits</p> <p>Share lessons from inter and intra regional on -going initiatives</p>
<p><b>7-Finance</b></p>	<p>Assessment of existing funding sources</p> <p>Coordination mechanism to allocate existing funding</p> <p>Use of existing funding: Development of regional projects for Green fund +</p> <p>Innovative financing to support blue economy: development of similar mechanisms to REDD or advocate new and additional funding mechanism under loss and damage</p>	
<p><b>8- Research &amp; Innovation</b></p>	<p>Building resilience of the communities</p> <p>Development of and expansion of Climate change modelling</p>	<p>Develop common research plan/activities</p> <p>Cooperation data and statistics</p> <p>Share projection tools</p> <p>Joining Climate change modelling network</p>



## GCCA Intra-ACP Programme

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Technical Meeting

25-26 April 2016

5<sup>th</sup> Programme Steering Committee

27-28 April 2016

**Conference room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor**

**Indian Ocean Commission, Ebène, Mauritius**

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