



Powering Innovations in Civil Society and Enterprises for Sustainability in the Caribbean (PISCES) project

Civil Society Organisational Strengthening Mentor

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Agnes Esprit. PHOTO COURTESY: OECS TV

“I was interested in mentoring CSOs to strengthen their organisational capacity because I recognised the importance of having strong, capable organisations that can function efficiently and effectively to bring about the desired outcomes for our communities and countries, whether it is in the area of environment, economic, social or otherwise. If more organisations have the capacity, then ... more resources would be available for other activities. It is important that CSO capacity is built to strengthen and empower local people to take positive action as individuals, organisations and society.” – Agnes Esprit, Dominica

In 2018, Agnes Esprit became a PISCES mentor to the Saint Marks Fisherfolk and Tourism Co-operative Society Ltd (St. Marks).

As a mentor, Agnes supported St. Marks to strengthen their organisation through a tailored programme of training, mentoring, coaching, action learning and facilitating peer exchanges. Ultimately, this will support and enhance their contribution to conservation of marine and coastal biodiversity and development of sustainable and resilient livelihoods in the Caribbean.

Agnes is the National Coordinator for The Global Environment Facility Small Grants Programme. She is responsible for developing and reviewing proposals for environmental projects, organising and facilitating workshops for community based groups, networking and working with partners for sustainable development, working to build capacity of non-government, community based and community service organisations, and monitoring and evaluating projects.



Soufriere/Scott's Head Marine Reserve, Dominica. PHOTO COURTESY: ST. MARKS FISHERFOLK AND TOURISM COOPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD.



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