

## Amplifying local voices for a just and resilient COVID-19 recovery

### IN BRIEF

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Putting climate resilience, biodiversity conservation, and economic inclusiveness at the centre of COVID-19 economic recovery and the development agenda is critical. Despite widespread global calls for a transformative approach, there is little evidence to date of real change.

The “Amplifying local voices for a just and resilient COVID-19 recovery” project aims to enhance the voices of the most vulnerable in calling for a pro-poor, inclusive, environmentally sustainable, and climate resilient approach to COVID-19 economic recovery and development in the Caribbean through the creation of a Caribbean Climate Justice Alliance and the development and implementation of a collective advocacy agenda. It will foster partnerships among civil society organisations (CSOs), community enterprises and resource users and other non-state actors to amplify the voices of rights holders and enhance their influence on policy and practice. The project is being implemented by the Caribbean Natural Resources Institute (CANARI) in collaboration with Panos Caribbean, with funding from the Open Society Foundations (OSF).

### Outputs and Outcomes

Key outputs of the project will be:

- A Caribbean Climate Justice Alliance comprised of at least 30 CSOs, including community-based organisations, enterprises and resource user associations, and other non-state actors across the Caribbean countries to catalyse action for climate justice and a just transition.
- A Caribbean Climate Justice Agenda developed to amplify local voices, as well as local knowledge and experiences, and support collective advocacy at national and regional levels.
- Enhanced capacity of at least 30 CSOs and other non-state actors across the Caribbean countries to conduct advocacy and influence policy and practice.
- Collective advocacy campaigns initiated by CSOs, local rights holders and other non-state actors, with practical actions in at least four target Caribbean countries to highlight their needs and priorities for a pro-poor, inclusive, green and climate resilient COVID-19 economic recovery.

The overall outcome will be a strong and cohesive civil society voice advocating on climate justice and the just transition, and CSOs and other non-state actors better positioned to engage with government and development partners to contribute to enhanced regional and national efforts.

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