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## Supporting Civil Society Organisations in Saint Lucia to Engage in National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Processes

From May to December 2025, the Caribbean Natural Resources Institute (CANARI)—in partnership with the Saint Lucia Coalition of Civil Society Organisations (CCSO)—will implement an initiative to deepen civil society engagement in Saint Lucia's National Adaptation Plan (NAP) process. This effort forms part of the NAP Global Network Pilot Initiative: **Supporting Civil Society Organisations to Engage in National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Processes**, undertaken with support from Global Affairs Canada (GAC).

Recognising the need for more meaningful participation and engagement of civil society organisations in national adaptation planning, this pilot aims to **mobilise and facilitate the engagement of women-led and other vulnerable or historically marginalised groups to ensure a more gender-responsive and inclusive approach to adaptation and building local resilience in Saint Lucia.**

CANARI will focus on strengthening the capacity of these groups to engage effectively in the NAP and wider climate policy process and will support the Saint Lucia CCSO as a key mechanism for collective advocacy and coordination by CSOs for climate adaptation. This will involve **participatory needs assessments, and targeted capacity building workshops, and mentoring** to better equip CSOs to input into the formulation, implementation and monitoring and evaluation of the NAP, as well as Sectoral Adaptation Strategies and Action Plans (SASAPs) and related initiatives. The **co-development of strategic tools** will also be supported to enable CSOs to sustain their influence in the NAP and wider climate change adaptation policy landscape.

### PROJECT IN BRIEF

**Goal:** Strengthened and inclusive CSO participation and engagement in national adaptation planning in Saint Lucia

**Lead:** Caribbean Natural Resources Institute (CANARI)

**Target country:** Saint Lucia

**Partners:** Saint Lucia Coalition of Civil Society Organisations (CCSO)

**Funder:** Global Affairs Canada

**Budget:** US \$97,300 / CAD \$139,500

**Duration:** May – December 2025

**Project webpage:**  
<https://canari.org/projects/nap-cso-engagement-pilot/>

# PROJECT COMPONENTS & KEY ACTIVITIES

**Mobilisation & coalition building:** Mobilisation of existing Saint Lucia CCSO members and identification of additional women-led and other vulnerable or historically marginalised groups to participate in the planned activities under this initiative.

**Participatory CSO needs assessment:** Conduct of participatory needs assessment with participating CSOs to establish a baseline and inform targeted activities and mentoring for enhanced engagement with Saint Lucia's NAP process and SASAPs.

## Capacity building of CSOs to engage in the NAP process:

- Delivery of a targeted technical training workshop and follow up webinar series on the NAP process, policy mechanisms, and entry points for influence, with ongoing mentoring to address needs identified in the CSO assessments and strengthen civil society leadership in climate adaptation.
- Provision of technical assistance, including financial support and resources, to participating CSOs to bolster engagement and relevant networking, knowledge-sharing and advocacy activities.

## Strengthening CSO influence on the NAP process:

- Convening of multi-stakeholder consultations with CSOs, policymakers, and technical experts to refine civil society priorities for adaptation and recommendations to strengthen their role and influence in the NAP process.
- Development of strategic communication and advocacy tool/resource to empower CSOs to engage, monitor, and advocate effectively, and sustain their influence in the NAP process.

## EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Strengthened and expanded Saint Lucia CCSO, including women-led and other vulnerable and marginalised groups that are fully engaged in NAP processes
- Enhanced CSO capacity for engagement in climate policy-making and advocacy, including access to strategic tools to track progress on NAP commitments and guide sustained advocacy

The above outcomes are expected to contribute to a strengthened foundation for long-term CSO engagement in climate adaptation, and improved collaboration with government stakeholders, in Saint Lucia.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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