

TEMPLATE

Acceptance of Offer to Participate as a Country Pilot within the Caribbean Regional Program under the Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR)

Background: The Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR), as a targeted program under the Strategic Climate Fund (SCF), aims to provide incentives for scaled-up action and transformational change in integrating consideration of climate resilience in national development planning that is consistent with poverty reduction and sustainable development goals¹. The PPCR Sub-Committee approved on August 26, 2009 an approach and countries to be targeted in the regional program. More specifically, it agreed that the Caribbean Regional program will proceed along two tracks which will include: (i) country-based investments in Haiti, Jamaica and four small island states from the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States, (Dominica, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Grenada); and (ii) region-wide activities focused on climate monitoring, institutional strengthening, capacity building and knowledge sharing.

Completion of this template will serve as a confirmation of your country's interest to participate as a country pilot within the Caribbean Regional Program under the PPCR².

1. Name of Country:

JAMAICA

2. Name and contact information of principal PPCR Government Contact³:

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3a. Does your country have a plan to address adaptation at the national level (e.g. NAPA, other)?

Jamaica has completed a second National Communication on Climate Change. A Climate Strategy and Action Plan is currently being prepared.

¹ Please see attached information note on the PPCR.

² All key documents and information on the PPCR, including this template, will be posted on the CIF website www.worldbank.org/cif

³ Given the cross-cutting nature of climate change adaptation, it is important that the focal point for PPCR coordination be housed in a government body with the convening power to coordinate across different sectors and hold implementation agencies responsible for their results.

3b. What are some of the key objectives and priorities relating to climate resilience in your country?

- i. Integrating climate change into national policy.**
- ii. Development of reliable early warning systems for hurricanes and storm surges.**
- iii. Development of storm surge maps and multi-hazard assessment maps for high risk areas.**

4. Does your country have an existing coordination arrangement to oversee climate change issues?

The focal point for the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change is the Jamaica Meteorological Services. Other climate change activities are currently handled by the Environmental Division in the Office of the Prime Minister.

5. Who would be the main civil society, NGOs, private sector, and development partners that would be important to involve in the PPCR?

- University of the West Indies (Climate Studies Group)**
- Jamaica Conservation and Development Trust**
- Caribbean Coastal Management Foundation**
- Negril Coral Reef Preservation Society**

6a. Does your country work with regional entities and organizations? On what issues are you working with them?

Yes. Jamaica works closely with the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre. Issues include:

- i. Regional Climate Change Forecasting**
- ii. Climate Change Policy Development**

6b. What are some activities or priorities relating to climate resilience that could best be dealt with at the regional level?

- Climate Change Modelling /Forecasting**
- Ecosystem Management**

7. Any other comments you would like to add.