

Approach of CREDP

The current phase of CREDP/GIZ is financed by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development ([BMZ](#)) and implemented by the [GIZ](#) in co-operation with the Energy Program of the CARICOM Secretariat in Guyana.

CREDP's regional and international energy experts provide technical assistance to Caribbean countries and facilitate capacity building measures in the fields of renewable energy and energy efficiency for the benefit of key staff members of energy ministries, electric utilities and other institutions.

CREDP offers technical assistance on request to all CARICOM member states and the Dominican Republic.

In order to increase the outreach of the project and to take advantage of synergy effects between different organisations active in the Caribbean energy sector, the project cooperates with different regional partners like

- the association of Caribbean Electric Utility Service Corporations - CARILEC (St. Lucia),
- the Caribbean Energy Information System CEIS (Jamaica) and
- the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Commission (St. Lucia).

The latter two organizations are mandated to provide support in the energy sector for sustainable development in the Caribbean region by CARICOM governments and the former is a private sector representative entity acting on behalf of energy investor interests that must keep abreast with developments in the industry.

CREDP/GIZ is hosted at CARICOM's Caribbean Public Health Agency – CARPHA, on the Morne in Castries, St. Lucia. After completing a successful first phase which focused on RE, the CREDP/GIZ began a second implementation phase in April of 2008 with an expanded mandate to deal with energy efficiency including energy conservation. This more comprehensive approach aims to secure sustainable energy development within the Caribbean region.

The project is due to end in December of 2015.