

## Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) Projects and Initiatives in the Caribbean

**Title:** Building Capacity to Manage Water Resources and Climate Risk in the Caribbean

**Organisation:** The University of the West Indies, Centre for Resource Management and Environmental Studies (CERMES)

### **Aims and Objectives:**

The aims of the programme are as follows:

- Developing short courses and training modules to support water resources and climate change adaptation education at the University of the West Indies
- Support a long-term research agenda between CIMH, CERMES, and Columbia University to address specific questions related to climate change adaptation and water resources management in the Caribbean
- Bolstering a community of practice able to work in an interdisciplinary fashion to address the varied challenges of climate adaptation and water resources management in the Caribbean

**Duration:** Start Year: July 2012 Completion Year: June 2015

**Additional Comments:**

**Estimated Cost (USD):** \$76,830

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**Key Words:** Short Courses; Climate; Climate Outlooks; Capacity; Water Management

**Geographic Coverage:** Caribbean

**Sectoral Focus:** Water Resources Managers

**Target Beneficiaries:** Water Utilities; Water Resources Managers

**Outputs:**

- Delivery of a four on-line short courses in water and climate change
- Support to 9 masters research students
- Development of a community of practice platform

**Project Links and References:**

Information not available

**Impacts:**

Ongoing

**Sustainability:**

Short courses will be incorporated into the UWI-CERMES teaching programme  
Community of Practice incorporated into Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C) activities

**Lessons for the Future:**

Drop the community of practice aspect

**Opportunities Arising from the Project:**

Development of further short courses.  
Application of planning for extreme events to water resources management

**Further Comments:**

None



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