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Foreword from Dr. Roxanne Graham- Victor, Regional Coordinator of GWP-C



It is a privilege to present this Annual Report on behalf of the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean at a time when the importance of water security, climate resilience, and integrated development has never been clearer for our region. Across the Caribbean, the increasing impacts of climate change, competing demands on limited water resources, and the need for stronger governance continue to underscore the urgency of sustainable water management.

In this context, GWP-C remains committed to supporting Caribbean countries in advancing Integrated Water Resources Management as a practical pathway to resilience, sustainability, and inclusive development. This is closely aligned with Sustainable Development Goal 6, particularly SDG 6.5.1, which calls for the implementation of Integrated Water Resources Management by 2030. For Caribbean Small Island Developing States, this target is not only a global commitment, but a regional imperative linked to water security, environmental protection, and the well-being of our people.

The work reflected in this report is rooted in partnership and shared purpose. It reflects the continued leadership of our Steering Committee Chair, Professor Paulette Bynoe, whose guidance has helped shape the organisation's vision and regional engagement. I also acknowledge the valued contributions of the members of the Steering Committee and the Technical Committee, whose commitment and stewardship continue to strengthen the work of GWP-C across the Caribbean.

I extend sincere appreciation as well to the Secretariat team for their dedication, professionalism, and steady support in advancing the organisation's mission. Their work remains essential to the coordination and delivery of GWP-C's priorities. The progress captured in this report also reflects the commitment of our partners and collaborators across the region, whose engagement continues to support more coordinated, climate-resilient, and water-secure futures.

As Regional Coordinator, I remain encouraged by the strength of this collective effort and the opportunities ahead for deeper collaboration and more effective responses to the Caribbean's water-related challenges. This report stands as a reflection of our shared commitment to advancing water security and resilience throughout the region.

Dr. Roxanne Grhaam-Victor,
Regional Coordinator
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1. GWP-C Participates in the 3rd NDC Finance Investment Forum

The Global Water Partnership-Caribbean was pleased to participate in the 3rd Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) Finance Investment Forum and Marketplace, which was held in Grenada from March 31st- April 2, 2025. The event brought together governments, the private sector and development partners and discussed innovative financing mechanisms, best practices and new ways to increase investments in key climate sectors, including the water sector, renewable energy and others.

The NDC Finance Initiative (NDCFI), is a joint initiative of the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States Commission and the Government of Saint Lucia, that seeks to further enhance the region's climate action efforts, particularly in the context of NDC implementation, resilience-building, and low-carbon development. Programme Assistant Kerron Martinez along with Chair of the GWP-C Steering Committee- Dr. Paulette Bynoe and Member Mr. Trevor Thompson, participated in the three-day event in Grenada.

During the forum, participants had the opportunity to discuss innovative financing mechanisms, share best practices, and identify new pathways to increase investments in key climate sectors- dialogues that were pivotal in ensuring that the Caribbean's climate actions are both ambitious and achievable, in key sectors through the establishment of Working Groups (WGs) on Energy, Water, and Critical Infrastructure.

The Caribbean NDC Finance Initiative was formally launched in 2017 with the support of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and under the auspices of the NDC Partnership. The initiative has received initial funding from the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and aims to support OECS Member States in mobilizing financial resources to meet their NDC commitments.

2. GWP-C Appoints New Regional Coordinator.

The Global Water Partnership Caribbean (GWP-C) is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Roxanne Graham-Victor as the new GWP-C Coordinator, effective May 1st, 2025. Dr. Graham-Victor- a Grenadian, is an accomplished environmental specialist with a wealth of expertise in marine and water resource management. She holds a PhD in Maritime Affairs, with her research focusing on marine debris management in the Eastern Caribbean, as well as a master's degree in marine Affairs specializing in invasive species and their impact on marine ecosystems.

As the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean looks to drive sustainable water management across the Caribbean, the new Regional Coordinator will be expected to lead the efforts to advance

Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM), addressing key water challenges faced by Caribbean nations. Her responsibilities will include overseeing strategic initiatives, fostering cross-sector collaboration, and driving efforts to secure funding and technical support for water management programs in the Caribbean.

"It hasn't been easy, but the unwavering hope, resilience, and positive spirit of the people of the Caribbean continue to inspire and drive this important work. I have had the privilege of teaching and working on the pressing issues of pollution in aquatic environments and climate change and adaptation strategies, including water resource conservation over the past 8 years," she added.

Dr. Graham-Victor is fully committed to continuing this collaborative spirit with our partners, and I am eager to advance initiatives that strengthen water security and resilience throughout the region, ensuring that our precious water resources are protected and sustainably managed for generations to come.

Dr. Graham-Victor's appointment comes at a crucial time as GWP-C prepared for its first major regional activity in 2025 – a workshop aimed at strengthening Integrated Water Resource Management and collaboration across Caribbean SIDS, which was held in Grenada in July. Under her direction, GWP-C is also expected to continue to build on its partnership with governments, regional institutions, and technical experts to promote sustainable water management practices across the region.

Dr. Graham-Victor's appointment also reflects GWP-C's ongoing commitment to increasing the capacity of regional offices, fostering strong partnerships, and ensuring that water-related challenges are addressed with the urgency they require within the Caribbean region.

3. GWP-C Represented at PISLM's 4th High Level Ministerial Meeting in Grenada

The Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C) participated in the Partnership Initiative for Sustainable Land Management's (PISLM) 4th High Level Ministerial Meeting, held on June 18, 2025, at the Radisson Resorts Grenada. During the event, GWP-C reaffirmed its commitment to supporting regional efforts in sustainable water and land governance, particularly through its role in the implementation of the Caribbean Drought Initiative—one of the key undertakings of the regional Inter-Governmental Organisation, which recently signed a Headquarters Agreement with the Government of Grenada.

GWP-C's Regional Coordinator-Dr. Roxanne Graham-Victor presented to Minister of Agriculture and the Environment, including incoming Chair of the PISLM Ministerial Council- Hon. Adrian Forde-Minister of Environment and National Beautification, Green and Blue Economy of Barbados Hon Kerryne James- Minister for Minister for Climate Resilience, the Environment and Renewable Energy and Hon. Vaughn P. Miller- Minister for the Environment and Natural



Resources of the Bahamas and Hon. Lennox Andrews, Minister for Economic Development, Planning, Agriculture and Lands Forestry, Marine Resources and Blue Economy Grenada; along with focal points for the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and key stakeholders at the 4th High Level Ministerial Meeting, held on June 18, 2025, at the Radisson Resorts Grenada.

Dr. Graham-Victor, emphasized the organisation’s role as an “Enabler, working with governments and partners to address governance gaps, modernize institutional

arrangements, and strengthen capacity for effective policy implementation.”

The GWP-C Regional Coordinator also announced an upcoming regional workshop in July, in partnership with UNEP designed to help countries transition from technical planning to developing fundable, country-led action plans for integrated water and land management.

The Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C) remains committed to working with its partners to promote and strengthen interaction and co-operation at all levels and promote water security across the region.

4. GWP-C Congratulates PISLM on Host Country Agreement with Grenada

The Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C) extends its sincere congratulations to the Partnership Initiative for Sustainable Land Management (PISLM) on the signing of its Host Country Agreement with the Government of Grenada.



Dr. Roxanne Graham-Victor, Regional Coordinator of GWP-C and Member of the GWP-C Steering Committee- Mr. Trevor Thompson, were among delegates that witnessed the historic signing of the on Tuesday 17th, June 2025, at the Radisson Resorts Grenada, by the outgoing Executive Director Mr. Calvin James and Grenada’s Minister responsible for the United Nations

Convention to Combat Desertification and Minister of Economic Development and Planning, Agriculture and Lands, Forestry and Blue Economy- Hon. Lennox J. Andrews.

Other delegates included the Hon. Adrian Forde- Minister of Environment and National Beautification, Green and Blue Economy of Barbados (incoming Chair of the PISLM Ministerial Council), Hon Kerryne James- Minister for Minister for Climate Resilience, the Environment and Renewable Energy and Hon. Vaughn P. Miller- Minister for the Environment and Natural Resources of the Bahamas; along with focal points for the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification and key stakeholders.

Dr. Graham-Victor also expressed her gratitude to outgoing Executive Director of the PISLM Mr. Calvin James for his unwavering commitment to the Caribbean Small Island Developing States.

“We also take this moment to recognise the leadership of Mr. Calvin James, whose dedication has shaped the sustainable land management agenda across our region. As GWP-C looks ahead to the formalization of our partnership through our upcoming MoU, we remain committed to supporting the Caribbean Drought Initiative and co-creating climate-resilient, water-secure solutions with PISLM and its Member States,” she said.

GWP-C remains ready and committed to supporting PISLM and other regional partners in developing crucial solutions. GWP-C particularly looks forward to collaboration with the Partnership Initiative for Sustainable Land Management (PISLM) for the implementation of the Caribbean Drought Initiative.

5. GWP-C Joins Forces with Regional Water Operators in St. Vincent to Tackle Sector Priorities



The Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C), actively participated in the 8th Water Operators' Conference, held in St. Vincent and the Grenadines from June 25-27, 2025.

The conference, organized by the Caribbean Water and Sewerage Association (CAWASA) in collaboration with the Central Water and Sewerage Authority (CWSA) of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, focused on "Empowering Water Utility Operators: A Pathway to Sustainability."

GWP-C's Programme Assistant-Mr. Kerron Martinez, who attended the meeting gained additional insights on critical challenges such as non-revenue water (NRW), low awareness of Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM), climate-risk management, and the need for operator training and certification. He said, "This was a valuable meeting to promote Integrated Water Resources Management and build relationships and visibility within the regional water-utility community."

According to Martinez, the session assisted in raising awareness on strategic goals in alignment with the GWP Global Strategy.

"We were able to identify the urgent need for IWRM knowledge, disaster preparedness, scaling up of nature-based solutions, implementation of innovative technologies and the need for leveraging regional collaboration for policy reform and financing access," he added.

The workshop which ran from 25-27, 2025, concluded with a field visit to Aqua Clara Water Treatment Plant- one of the water treatment plants in St. Vincent that supplies water to approximately 50,000 people.



The Global Water Partnership-Caribbean expresses its deepest appreciation to the organisers of this workshop, the Caribbean Water and Sewerage Association (CAWASA) in collaboration with the Central Water and Sewerage Authority (CWSA) and looks forward to future collaborations to champion Integrated Water Resource Management across the region.

6. High level stakeholders from CSIDS reaffirm commitment to Integrated Water Resources Management at Regional SDG 6.5.1 Workshop Organised By GWP-C in Collaboration With UNEP, GOG and G-CREWS

High Level Representatives from six Caribbean Small Island Developing States (CSIDS)- Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Grenada, Guyana, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening water security and Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) during the recently concluded SDG 6.5.1 Regional Workshop.

The workshop titled, "Leveraging SDG 6 for Accelerated Water Investments in Caribbean SIDS," was held from July 9–10, 2025, in Grenada, hosted by the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean

(GWP-C), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the G-CREWS Project, and the Government of Grenada

It was attended by several high-level delegates including permanent secretaries, technical officers and directors- with line responsibilities for water and water resource management authorities from participating countries.

The workshop brought together key water stakeholders including high level representatives such as permanent secretaries, directors, experts from ministries and sectors with responsibilities related to water—such as water, agriculture, environment, tourism, and health. Their collective participation was instrumental in identifying investment opportunities, sharing good practices, and advancing regional efforts toward Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 6, particularly Target 6.5.1, which calls for the implementation of Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) by 2030.

“It is not just about infrastructure or policy—it is a matter of human dignity, economic security, and intergenerational justice,” remarked the [Hon. Kerryne James](#), Minister for Climate Resilience, The Environment and Renewable Energy- Grenada, as she delivered keynote remarks at the workshop.



While the Caribbean is among the most water-stressed regions in the world when measured against our capacity to store and distribute clean, reliable water, IWRM remains a pressing responsibility and regional priority, explained Chair of the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean-Professor Paulette Bynoe. Bynoe said, “Water security is not just a development issue—it's the foundation of our region’s resilience, health, economy, and environment. Caribbean SIDS face rising climate threats, aging infrastructure, and chronic underinvestment. The time to act is now.” Regional Coordinator for the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean Dr. Roxanne Graham-Victor expressed that that the workshop created an open and engaging environment for meaningful exchange across countries and sectors. According to Dr. Graham, it provided, “A space to bring your country’s story, your sector’s voice, your institutional perspective, and real-world experiences—sharing practical solutions that work or are ready to be tested,” as it relates to IWRM.

IWRM is a participatory process that aims to manage water resources in a sustainable way, considering social, economic, and environmental needs. While many have embraced the concept, full adoption and implementation of IWRM remains a work in progress.



Vincent Sweeney- Head, Caribbean Sub-Regional Office, UN Environment Programme, explained that UNEP, is proud to support the workshop, which he confirmed to be, “A space for practical peer exchange, collaborative action planning and building forward momentum.”

During discussions on enhancing regional implementation efforts, Facilitator Chris Corbin emphasized the need to shift beyond traditional planning toward more tangible, inclusive, and phased actions.

“We want to move from a planning process to one that is inclusive, and action based. These actions must be realistic—things we can achieve in the short term without requiring major financial investments, while also identifying medium- and long-term actions where external resources are expected to play a role,” Corbin stated.



The workshop concluded with a renewed pledge from Caribbean SIDS to strengthen cooperation, invest in climate-resilient water infrastructure, support IWRM implementation through the development of mini action plans for participating countries.

7. Minister Kerryne James Calls for Coordinated Action to Secure the Region’s Water

Hon. Kerryne James, Minister for Climate Resilience, The Environment and Renewable Energy-Grenada, has called for urgent, coordinated action to secure the region’s water future in the face of mounting climate threats. Her call came during a keynote address to high-level policymakers and technical experts and officers from across the six countries at the recently concluded, “Leveraging SDG 6 for Accelerated Water Investments in Caribbean SIDS,” workshop which was held from July 9–10, 2025, in Grenada.

Minister James, who presented via video at the workshop hosted by the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C), in collaboration with United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the G-CREWS Project, and the Government of Grenada, said “while the Caribbean is renowned for its lush landscapes and frequent rains, it remains a water-stressed region, particularly in terms of storage, access, and infrastructure.”

Minister James’ address also focused on the Caribbean’s implementation of Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM), which is at 39% to date, below the global average of 57% reinforces the importance of implementation, explaining that while water doesn’t obey bureaucratic lines or electoral cycles, the need for cross-sectoral planning, strong institutions, and meaningful community involvement exist.

“This is our moment to lead with clarity, courage, and compassion. Let us rise to the water challenge not with fear, but with confidence—knowing that every drop counts, and every citizen counts on us to protect it.”

The Grenadian Minister emphasized the need to accelerate progress, pointing to existing regional success stories and platforms like the Global Water Partnership Caribbean (GWP-C) and the Caribbean Water and Wastewater Association (CWWA) as examples of the power of collaboration and support towards the achievement of Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM).

8. GWP-C Convened a Caribbean Dialogue on Strengthening Water Security through Science-Informed Adaptation Planning

A major highlight for GWP-C in 2025 was the successful hosting of its Caribbean Science Symposium on Water (CSSW) – a Special World Water Week “Water for Climate Action” Edition, held on 25–26 August 2025. Convened under the theme “From Plans to Progress: A Caribbean Dialogue on Strengthening Water Security through Science-Informed Adaptation Planning,” the symposium brought together regional and international partners to advance practical action on water security and climate adaptation across the Caribbean.



Over two days, the event created a strong platform for dialogue among government representatives, utilities, regional institutions, and international organizations, including RCC Caribbean, CWWA, UNFCCC, UNESCO-IHP, CARPHA, GIZ, CFAN, the NAP Global Network, and GWPO.

Discussions focused on the status of National Adaptation Plans, country experiences in planning and implementation, the role of science in decision-making, and the institutional and financial readiness needed to scale adaptation in the water sector.

The symposium showcased concrete country progress from Barbados, Guyana, Jamaica, Grenada, Saint Lucia, and Trinidad and Tobago, highlighting practical initiatives such as integrated resilience planning, youth engagement in water stewardship, inclusive Water NAP implementation, and wastewater reuse as an adaptation pathway. A key achievement of the event was its emphasis on moving beyond planning toward implementation, while reinforcing science as essential infrastructure for adaptation, finance readiness, and monitoring.

The event also generated clear follow-up actions, including the preparation of a proceedings report, a knowledge package mapping organizations and support opportunities, and wider dissemination through the CWWA 34th Annual Conference. Overall, the symposium demonstrated GWP-C's convening leadership in the region and marked a successful 2025 contribution to strengthening partnerships, knowledge exchange, and momentum for water-secure, climate-resilient development in the Caribbean.

9. GWP-C Regional Coordinator- Dr. Graham-Victor, Moderates High-Level Sessions at UN Climate Week 2 in Ethiopia



Dr. Roxanne Graham-Victor, Regional Coordinator for the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C) and project lead for Grenada's recent National Adaptation Plan (NAP) revision, under

the Ministry of Climate Resilience, the Environment and Renewable Energy, was honored to contribute to the United Nations Second Climate Week in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Dr. Graham-Victor moderated two critical sessions:

- Brainstorming on Generating Financing for Adaptation to Meet Growing Adaptation Needs (1 September).
- Empowering Action: Knowledge and Know-How for Adaptation and Finance (5 September).

Both sessions focused on scaling climate adaptation through innovative financing, knowledge-sharing, and resilience-building strategies, particularly in vulnerable regions.

She also contributed to consultations on **support programmes for NAP implementation**, acknowledging the role of global networks like **NAP GN** and highlighting GWP-C's role in supporting **water-related adaptation measures** across the Caribbean.



“As an islander, it was an honor to represent Grenada and the Caribbean on such a global stage, sharing our country’s progress and lessons learned. Water scarcity and climate resilience remain universal challenges, and our work in the Caribbean provides valuable lessons for the global community. Equally important was the opportunity to build bridges with international partners,” said Graham-Victor.

Her leadership at Climate Week Two (2) underscores the growing role of Small Island Developing States (SIDS) in shaping global climate action. By sharing Grenada’s experiences and success stories, she highlighted how even the most climate-vulnerable nations can offer innovative solutions and inspire collective ambition.

The Second Climate Week of 2025, took place at the Addis International Convention Center-Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 1 to 6 September, 2025.

10. CARPHA and GWP-C Pledge to Advance Water Security and Public Health in the Caribbean with New MOU



The Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C) and the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) formalised a new partnership aimed at strengthening the intersection of water security and protecting public health across the region. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed by Chair of the GWP-C, Professor Paulette Bynoe and Executive Director for CARPHA, Dr. Lisa Indar on Tuesday 16 September, 2025.

“By combining GWP-C’s expertise in water resources management with CARPHA’s leadership in health, the partnership aims to protect communities better and build resilience across the region,” expressed Professor Bynoe. The agreement between the two regional organisations, arrives at a critical juncture, as Caribbean countries continue to confront mounting challenges from climate change, waterborne diseases, and extreme weather events.

Dr. Lisa Indar indicated that, “Partnerships, such as this one, are at the core of CARPHA’s 2025-2030 Strategic Plan themed ‘Stronger Together’. The partnership with GWP-C leverages over five (5) decades of expertise in water sector leadership first as the Caribbean Environmental Health Institute and thereafter the CARPHA Environmental Health and Sustainable Development Department. Using the One Health Approach, CARPHA integrates key sectors to balance and optimise the health of humans, animals and environment to optimal health outcomes”.

The MOU allows the two organisations to collaborate on projects, training, shared monitoring and knowledge-sharing that addresses the vital link between safe water and healthy lives, in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), related to clean water, sanitation and good health.

Under this agreement the GWP-C and CARPHA are expected to develop regional guidelines for potable water, support CARPHA Member States in adopting standards for drinking water, strengthen water quality monitoring, surveillance, and data systems for evidence-based decision-making, advance training and research on integrated water resources management (IWRM) and climate change adaptation and promote public education, citizen science, and awareness initiatives linking water, health, and climate resilience.

The partnership highlights the importance of collective action to advance the Regional Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) Framework Roadmap of Actions and reaffirms the commitment of both Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C) and the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA), to advance a healthier, safer, and more climate-resilient Caribbean.

11. GWP-C Joined Grenada's NAP Unit in "Youth in Action for Climate Change Adaptation" Awareness Campaign for Students



GWP-C Team at St. John's Community Library on September 26th

As part of Grenada's Youth in Action for Climate Change Adaptation campaign, the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C) partnered with the National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Unit under the Ministry of Climate Resilience, the Environment and Renewable Energy to deliver special outreach sessions at summer schools and schools this year.

This initiative, supported by the NAP Global Network, aims to introduce children to climate change and adaptation in fun, relatable ways—using age-appropriate activities that emphasize saving water, growing your own food, and building a climate-resilient future.

In the sessions, GWP-C team members engaged local children through interactive storytelling, and educational tools, helping them connect with important climate concepts in an accessible, community-based setting, with a special focus on water conservation.

This event builds on the ongoing outreach to schools and summer programmes across Grenada, as part of a broader effort to engage children at every level—from pre-schools to primary and secondary schools—in climate change education and adaptation awareness.

12. PISLM and GWP-C Pledge to Strengthen Land and Water Management through the signing of an MOU.



The Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C) and the Partnership Initiative for Sustainable Land Management (PISLM) have officially signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to enhance collaboration on projects and initiatives aimed at promoting sustainable land and water management across Caribbean Small Island Developing States (CSIDS).

The MOU, signed on Thursday, 16 October 2025, in St. George’s, Grenada, aims to strengthen regional efforts aimed at combating land degradation, drought, and water scarcity, while advancing the shared goal of environmental sustainability and climate resilience.

Highlighting that the two cannot be separated when addressing environmental and development challenges, Regional Coordinator for the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C), Dr. Roxanne Graham indicated, that this MOU, begins a new and exciting new chapter, “One that recognizes the intrinsic connection between land and water, and the need to manage both in harmony for the benefit of our people and our planet.”

Through this collaboration, GWP-C formalizes our intent to work together on several key fronts—ranging from information sharing and joint project implementation to capacity building, research, and communication for policy influence.

While GWP-C firmly believes that partnerships are the foundation for progress, the Regional Coordinator highlights that for this partnership, “Combining our expertise, networks, and shared vision, GWP-C and PISLM are better equipped to address the complex challenges of water and land management in our region—and to translate knowledge into action.”

Both organizations are expected to work on several strategic areas, including soil and water resources management, drought & flood management, building capacity in water quality monitoring, research and practice into Integrated Land and Water Resource Management for SIDS, research and practice in innovative solutions to water scarcity and agriculture and youth engagement and empowerment for effective natural resource management in SIDS.

Another of the strategic undertakings for both organisations is the joint implementation of the **Caribbean Drought Initiative**.

Executive Director for the Partnership Initiative for Sustainable Land Management (PISLM), Dr. Ronen C.A Francis, suggests that the undertaking approved last year at the UNCCD COP in Saudi Arabia, “Assesses drought conditions- its extent and impact across the region, develop sustainable and innovative practices to help our countries cope with drought challenges, promote resilience through the formulation of solutions, that can help us to build resilience in Caribbean communities facing drought.”

GWP-C looks forward to this strategic collaboration, information exchange, and joint action in support of sustainable land and water resource management in the Caribbean SIDS context.

On behalf of the GWP-C Chair, Professor Paulette Bynoe, the Steering Committee, and the staff of the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean, the GWP-C expresses its gratitude to PISLM for their partnership and support. We look forward to working together as we advance sustainable development and climate resilience for our Caribbean region.

13. GWP-C and UNEP Demystify IWRM through Practical Pathways in Wastewater Reuse at the 34th CWWA Conference, San Pedro, Belize

In October 2025, the Global Water Partnership-Caribbean (GWP-C), with support from the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), successfully convened a special side event at the 34th Annual Caribbean Water and Wastewater Association (CWWA) Conference in San Pedro, Belize, focused on “Demystifying IWRM: Practical Pathways through Wastewater Reuse.” The session

brought together policy makers, practitioners, and regional stakeholders to unpack Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) in practical terms and to highlight wastewater reuse as a tangible pathway for applying IWRM principles in Caribbean small island developing states.

Moderated by GWP-C Regional Coordinator Dr. Roxanne Graham-Victor, the two-part session built on momentum from the July 2025 Regional IWRM Workshop for Caribbean SIDS and responded directly to two regional needs: a clearer understanding of IWRM and stronger examples of how it can guide sustainable water management in practice. The first segment, “Demystifying IWRM – From Concept to Practice,” featured contributions from GWP-C leaders and partners who explored how IWRM can move beyond theory into coordinated action through stronger governance, better data systems, and wider community participation.



The second segment, “Wastewater Reuse: A Working Example of Integration,” turned attention to applied solutions, showcasing how wastewater reuse can support water security, resilience, and circular economy approaches in the region. Presenters highlighted practical lessons from policy, innovation, and implementation, including regional experiences linked to the GEF CReW+ Project. The discussion also emphasized the enabling conditions needed to scale up reuse, including

innovative financing, supportive policy frameworks, and multi-stakeholder partnerships.



Through this event, GWP-C reinforced its role as a regional convener and catalyst for practical water dialogue, helping to bridge policy, technical knowledge, and implementation. By creating space for exchange among governments, experts, civil society, and development partners, the session advanced shared understanding of IWRM and promoted wastewater reuse

as a realistic and strategic entry point for more integrated, climate-resilient water management across the Caribbean.

14. GWP-C Regional Coordinator Participates in CariCOF and EWISACTs Meetings to Advance Early Warning and Climate Resilience in the Caribbean

Dr. Roxanne Graham-Victor, Regional Coordinator of the Global Water Partnership–Caribbean (GWP-C), participated as an observer in the 2025–2026 Dry Season Caribbean Climate Outlook Forum (CariCOF) from 25th to 28th and the 13th Meeting of the Consortium of Regional Sectoral Early Warning Information Systems Across Climate Timescales (EWISACTs), held specifically on November 25–26 in Basseterre, St. Kitts and Nevis.



The first two days of activities focused heavily on strengthening early warning systems and advancing coordinated climate services across key sectors. While GWP-C is not a formal partner within the EWISACTs Consortium, its contribution as an observer reflects its continued commitment to supporting integrated, climate-informed water and development planning across the Caribbean.

The 13th EWISACTs Meeting marked a significant milestone—ten years of regional collaboration in building climate resilience. Key objectives of the meeting included:

- Reviewing progress and challenges in implementing the Regional Plan of Action (June–November 2025);
- Reflecting on achievements under Performance Period 2 (2023–2025) and preparing for Performance Period 3 (2026–2028); and
- Examining how the Intra-ACP ClimSA Programme can support planned activities for 2025–2026.

Supported by the Intra-ACP ClimSA Programme, with funding from the European Union to Barbados, the Eastern Caribbean States, the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS), CARICOM and CARIFORUM, the EWISACTs Consortium continues to strengthen climate-informed decision-making across priority sectors including agriculture, water, health and disaster risk management.



Over the four-day Forum, participants received updates on regional efforts to strengthen early warning systems and climate services, with progress highlighted in climate and sectoral data management, climate information quality, strengthened climate services systems, improved user engagement, and expanded capacity building. These advances reflect the region's continued commitment to building a more climate-resilient Caribbean.

Participants also explored enhancements to the Caribbean Climate Impacts Database (CCID), including demonstrations of how the platform captures climate-related impacts such as floods, droughts, heatwaves and storms to support evidence-based planning and climate risk assessments across the region.

Reflecting on the Forum, Dr. Roxanne Graham-Victor described the event as both technically enriching and strategically valuable, noting that it provided important opportunities for networking and identifying potential collaborative partnerships with regional climate, disaster risk and development stakeholders—further reinforcing GWP-C's commitment to integrated approaches to climate resilience in the Caribbean.

Concluding Reflections and Outlook

As GWP-C looks ahead, we do so with a clear sense of both responsibility and realism. The need to advance water security, climate resilience, and integrated water resources management across the Caribbean remains urgent, particularly as countries continue working toward SDG 6 and, in particular, SDG 6.5.1.

The year ahead will unfold within a wider period of transition across the Global Water Partnership network, shaped by a stronger emphasis on decentralisation, regional delivery, and the mobilisation of water investments. In this evolving context, GWP-C will need to remain focused, responsive, and intentional in ensuring that Caribbean priorities continue to be advanced within the broader network.

At the same time, the path forward will require even greater attention to fundraising and resource mobilisation. Sustaining our work and maintaining regional momentum will depend not only on commitment and technical engagement, but also on the strength of the partnerships that enable action. As the wider network sharpens its focus on investment and financing, GWP-C will likewise need to work closely with its partners and supporters to identify opportunities, mobilise resources, and support continued delivery in the region.

More than ever, our ability to move forward will depend on collaboration, shared purpose, and the strength of the relationships we have built across the Caribbean. With the continued support of our partners, GWP-C remains committed to serving as a trusted platform for dialogue, cooperation, and action in support of a more water-secure and climate-resilient region.

With the continued support of our partners, GWP-C remains committed to advancing practical, collaborative solutions in support of a more water-secure and climate-resilient Caribbean.