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# Strategies of Caribbean Organizations on the Sargassum Issue

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## Protocol on Climate Change Adaptation & Disaster Risk Management in Fisheries & Aquaculture Under the Caribbean Community Common Fisheries Policy (CCCFP)

- One of the objectives of the CCCFP is to integrate environmental, coastal and marine management considerations into fisheries policy so as to safeguard fisheries and associated ecosystems from anthropogenic threats and to mitigate the impacts of climate change and natural disasters.




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- As such, the Protocol allows coordination with regional and international organizations active in the region in climate change adaptation and disaster risk management.
- Overall Objective
  - “To support Member States in adapting to the impacts of climate change and building resilience in Fisheries Sector livelihoods assets and ecosystems, through research and integrated adaptive planning and policy development, awareness and capacity building and regulatory reforms.”



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- CARICOM enabling frameworks including:
  - CARICOM Regional Comprehensive Disaster Management (CDM) Strategy and Results Framework (2014-2024);
  - Regional Framework for Achieving Development Resilience to climate Change 2009-2015 & Implementation plan, Delivering Transformational Change 2011-2021.



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- Initiatives undertaken by CRFM in collaboration with partner organizations to address Sargassum influxes and areas for further cooperation include:
  - Model Protocol for the Management of Extreme Accumulations of Sargassum on the Coasts of CRFM Member States;
  - Fact-finding survey regarding the influx and impacts of Sargassum seaweed in the Caribbean region;
  - Analysis of Sargassum samples for heavy metals, organic contaminants and radiation;
  - A concept note for a project entitled “Reducing the vulnerability of coastal and marine social-ecological systems to Sargassum influxes in CARICOM Member States.”