

**Tobago Blue Economy Roadmap and CoastSNAP Action Plan**

Name of legal entity	Country	Overall project value (EUR)	Proportion carried out by candidate (%)	No of staff provided	Name of client	Origin of funding	Dates (start/end)	Name of partners if any
Sustainable Seas Ltd	Trinidad and Tobago	39,000	100%	1	IDB (for Tobago House of Assem-	IDB	April 2022 to April 2023	Institute Marine Affairs

**Detailed description of project**

To prompt an economic recovery from the coronavirus crisis, address the inherent socio-economic challenges of a Small Island Developing State (SID), and comply with local development strategies, Tobago must rethink how to use its natural resources, mainly marine and coastal. The Blue Economy offers excellent opportunities for the country to harness resources sustainably and leverage its services beyond traditional business models. This approach allows for diversification into new emerging ocean-based activities and sectors and generates employment and growth while ensuring sustainable ocean resources.

The consultancy aims at developing an Integrated Blue Economy Roadmap for a Sustainable and Resilient Recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. This roadmap will comprise a policy framework and a strategic action plan to guide evidence-based decision-making in the public and private sectors. The roadmap will also serve as a resource to recommend investments and interventions that would have the highest post COVID-19 recovery impact on supporting the growth of public, private, and hybrid initiatives. This roadmap will prioritize Blue Economy-related industries hit by the COVID-19 pandemic and those that could represent a source of economic diversification.

The consultancy also include the preparation of a short guidance manual for the implementation of the CoastSNAP methodology in Tobago outlining its potential benefit for the Tobago House of Assembly (THA), Institute of Marine Affairs (IMA) and the progression of the Blue Economy Roadmap for Tobago (useful for outreach and awareness purposes).

**Type of services provided**

Jonathan McCue (on behalf of SSL) was employed to submit the following services/deliverables:

- A cross-sectoral study and mapping of industries and key public sector, private sector, non-state stakeholders and their roles and responsibilities, inter-institutional arrangements, policies, legislation, strategies (financial included), spatial plans, and infrastructure related to managing the Blue Economy, defined as “an economy that is intentionally designed to create and sustain restorative, regenerative and climate resilient economic, environmental and social harmonization which safely and efficiently utilizes the resources of the land and surrounding water
- Review previous works and analyses on Blue Economy Roadmaps (e.g., Barbados, the Bahamas) and similar exercises developed by the IDB and other organizations.
- Identify opportunities, gaps and international best practices to mainstreaming the Blue Economy as a recovery approach from the COVID-19 pandemic in Tobago. 4.
- Undergo consultation workshops with relevant stakeholders .