

Support for Implementation of The St Vincent and Grenadines (SVG) Blue Economy Road Map

Name of legal entity	Country	Overall project value (US\$)	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	St Vincent and the Grenadines (SVG)	US\$10,000	100%	1	UNDP Barba-dos	UNDP	1.9.2023 to 21.12.2023	N/A

Detailed description of project

For Caribbean Small Island Developing States (SIDS), or perhaps better described as Big Ocean States (BOS), given the ratio of sea to land, the Blue Economy (BE) is a concept that involves every aspect of national governance, socioeconomic development, and environmental sustainability. More specifically, it refers to the sustainable use and management of ocean and coastal resources to enable economic diversification, promote economic growth, improve livelihoods, and preserve the health of coastal and marine ecosystems.

The work on the BE is, therefore, predicated on a human-rights-based approach and focuses on supporting plans, policies, programmes, interventions, and actions that promote sustainable development through the protection, restoration, sustainable use, and effective management of ocean resources across the interlinked sectors of tourism, biodiversity, conservation, fisheries, marine transport, renewable energy, and waste management. For St. Vincent and the Grenadines, the BE presents a promising development opportunity centered on utilizing oceans for their full economic potential while ensuring their protection and long-term sustainability for both current and future generations.

The overall objective of this consultancy is to re-engage with key stakeholders in St. Vincent and the Grenadines presenting the key outputs from the JP for discussion and developing an overall vision, goals and possible priority areas to support the subsequent BE work including national BE programmes, investment plans and opportunities for innovative financing solutions.

Type of services provided

The objective of this project was to carry out and review of the existing Blue Economy Roadmap, offering updates as required . This was achieved by completing the following tasks.

Task 1 – Summary of St. Vincent and the Grenadine BE Assessment -

Understanding how St. Vincent and the Grenadines is currently positioned to expand its BE is a key first step therefore the consultant is required to prepare a summary document based on desk assessments already completed on the BE of St. Vincent and the Grenadines including outputs from the SDG Joint Fund JP.

Task 2 - Stakeholder engagement and consultation

To determine the vision, goals, and some priorities for the BE in St. Vincent and the Grenadines through a series of stakeholder workshops that engage relevant national stakeholders representing governmental agencies, local communities in the various islands, and industry sectors.

Task 3 – Vision Statement and Goals

Based on feedback from the visioning and goal setting workshops develop a clear and inspirational description of what the BE in St. Vincent and the Grenadines wants to achieve in the future and SMART goals which align with the vision and bridge the gaps identified in the current state assessment.

Task 4 - Preparation of Summary Report and Next Steps