

### 2013

# Canadian Development Assistance in the Caribbean

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## Canada's Programming in the Caribbean

- Context: Strong Canada-Caribbean ties;\$600M commitment to the region; Caribbean as one of 20 programs of focus
- Sustainable economic growth: Building economic foundations; Private sector development; and Investing in people
- Security: Rule of law and Disaster risk mitigation and responses



#### **Building Economic Foundations**

- ➤ Increased capacity of public institutions to better manage public finances and debt
  - Caribbean Regional Technical Assistance Centre (CARTAC)
  - Supporting Economic Management in the Caribbean (SEMCAR) Program
  - Eastern Caribbean Central Bank Debt Management Advisory Service Project (DMAS)



#### **Growing Businesses**

- ➤ Increased capacity of SMEs to compete in national, regional, and global markets. Examples:
  - COMPETE Caribbean
  - Partnerships for CARICOM Private Sector Development
  - Entrepreneurship Program for Innovation in the Caribbean (EPIC)
  - Caribbean Local Economic Development (CARILED)
  - Promotion of Regional Opportunities for Produce through Enterprise and Linkages (PROPEL)



#### Investing in People

- ➤ Increased capacity for public sector leadership
  - Canada Caribbean Leadership Program
- Increased capacity at national and regional levels to equip youth and adults with skills for employment and entrepreneurship
  - CARICOM Education for Employment
  - Distance Education in the Caribbean



#### Other Programs

- Partnership with Canadians
- Anti-crime and Counter-terrorism
- Canada-Americas initiatives (trade, business environment, health)
- Canada Technical Assistance Account -IMF
- Multilateral institutions: Caribbean Development Bank, other IFIs, UN Agencies

