



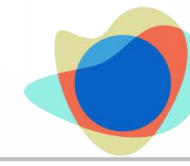
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IRIS is exclusively a SIDS focused initiative, all 57 SIDS are eligible to participate



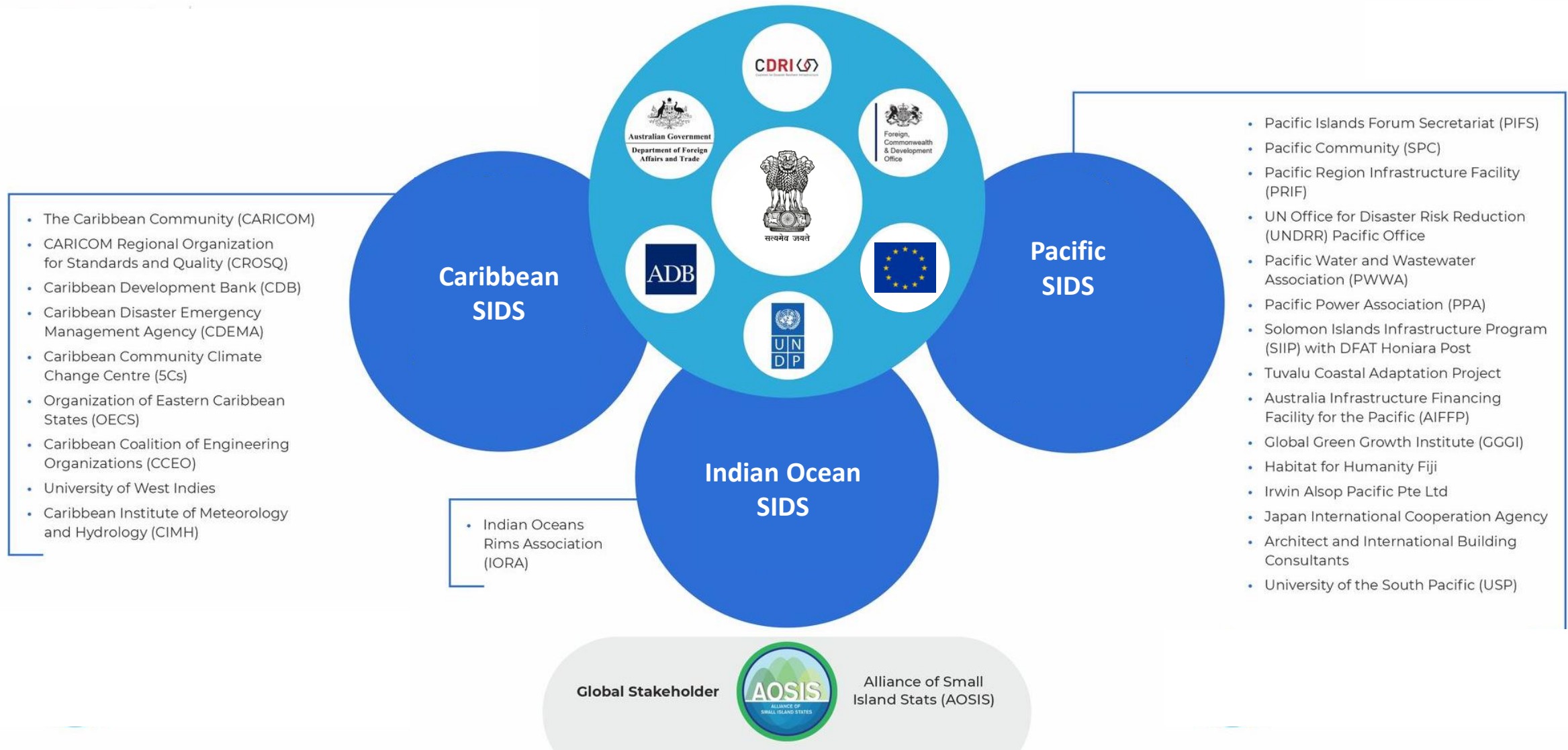
- Launched in COP26 by the Heads of State of India, UK, Australia, Jamaica, Fiji & Mauritius
- **US\$ 40 million** commitment (India, UK, EU, Australia)



# Co-curated, Co-owned & Co-managed with SIDS



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# Outreach & Consultations for IRIS



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**COP29: Second Call for Proposals Awards**



**Regional Consultation, LACCW 2022**



**CDRI-UNDP Workshop 2025**



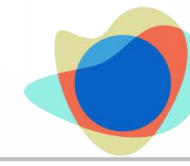
**COP29 IRIS session :Unlocking Investments for Climate Resilient and Sustainable Infrastructure in SIDS**



**Pre ICDRI Expert Group Consultation 2025**



# IRIS at SIDS4 & UN SIDS Partnership Award



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**Launch of IRIS Second Call for proposals at SIDS4 aligned with the **Antigua and Barbuda Agenda for SIDS (ABAS)****

**Project funding in the areas of  
Climate Action, Mainstreaming Resilience, and Strengthening  
Data for Resilient and Inclusive Infrastructure**



**UN SIDS Partnerships Award 2024**

**Environment Category at 4th International  
Conference on SIDS**





# IRIS Steering Committee



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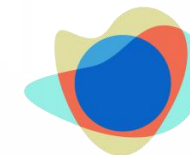
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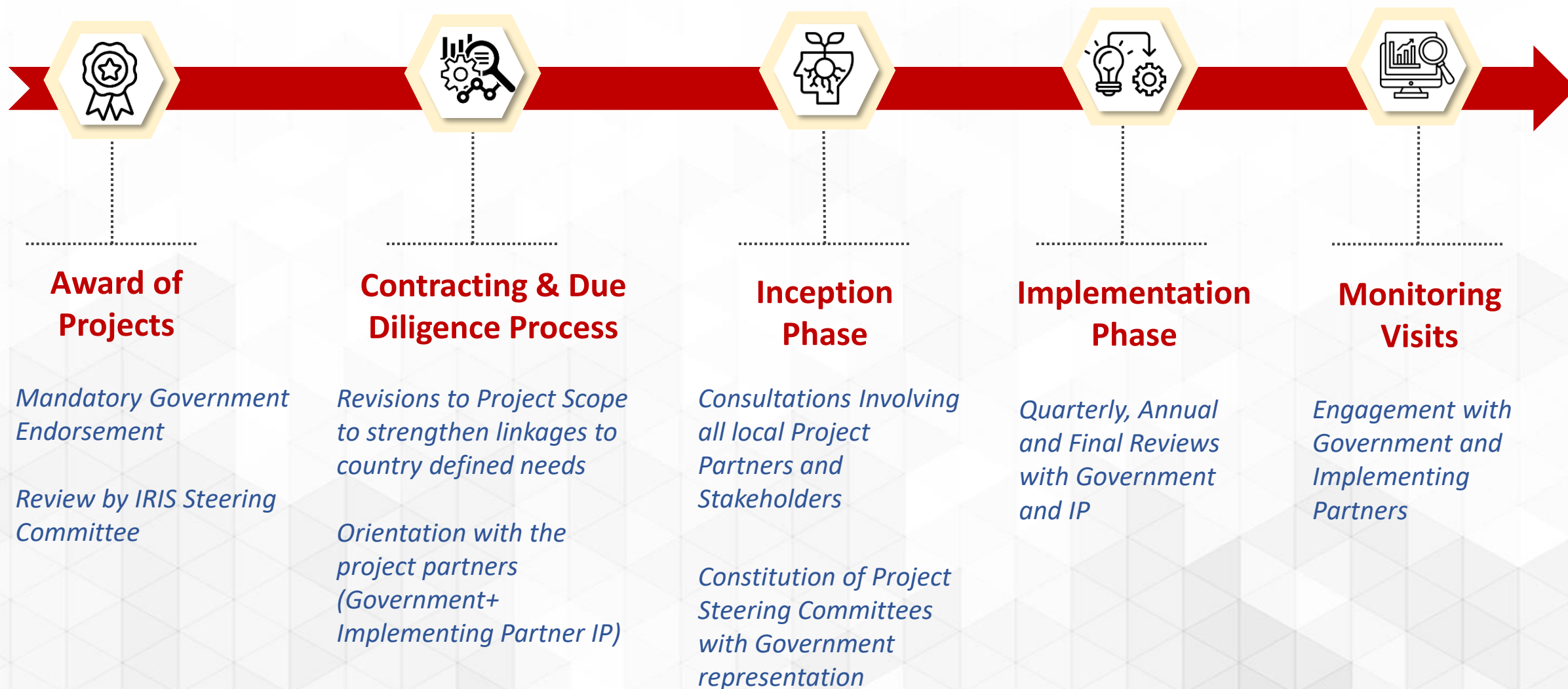
# A Partnership Approach to Implementation



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# IRIS Areas of Intervention



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## Competitive Activities



**Risk Informed Policy  
and Planning**



**Implementation  
Readiness**



**Access to Finance**

## Non- Competitive Activities



**Knowledge Sharing  
and Peer Learning**



**Capacity Building**



**Gender  
Mainstreaming**

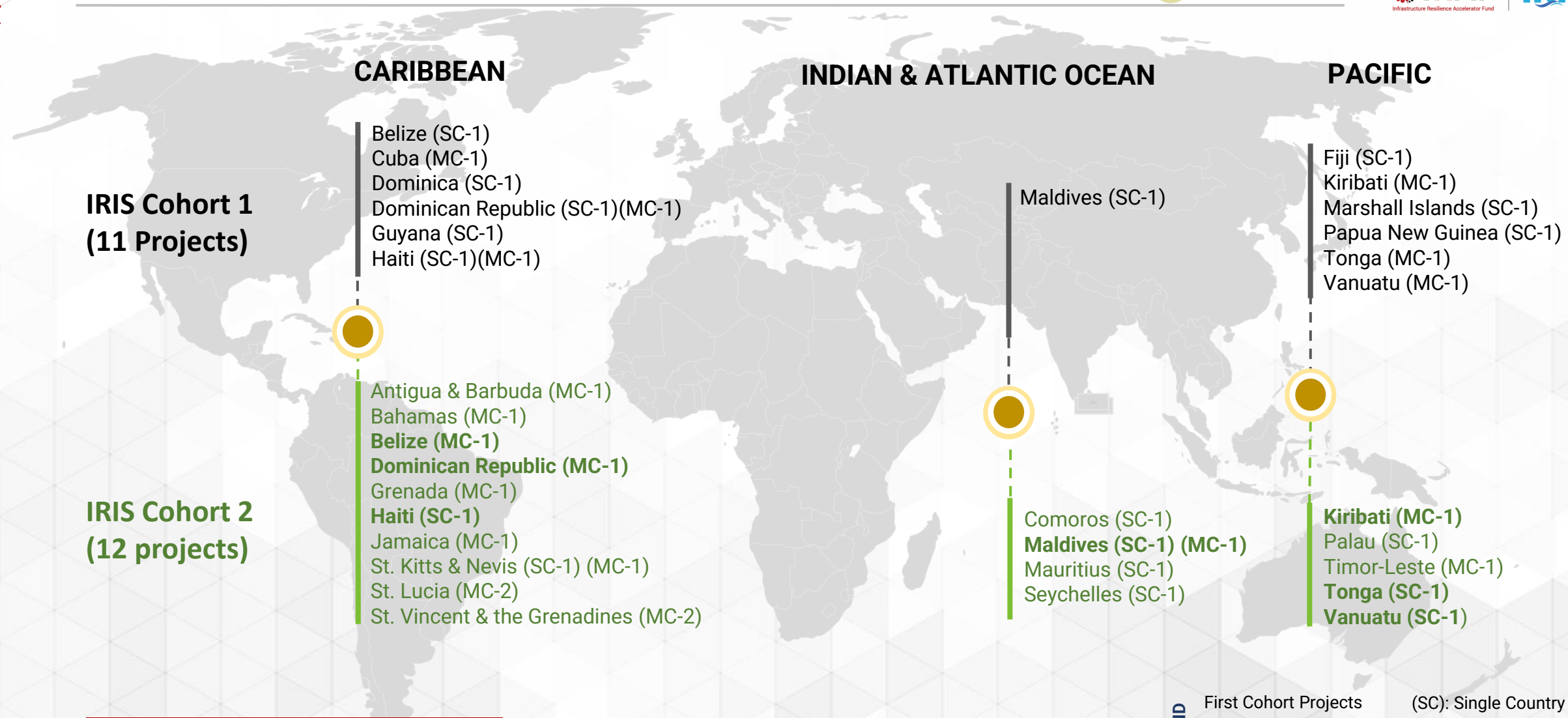




# Geographic Considerations



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**23 Projects Across 25 SIDS**

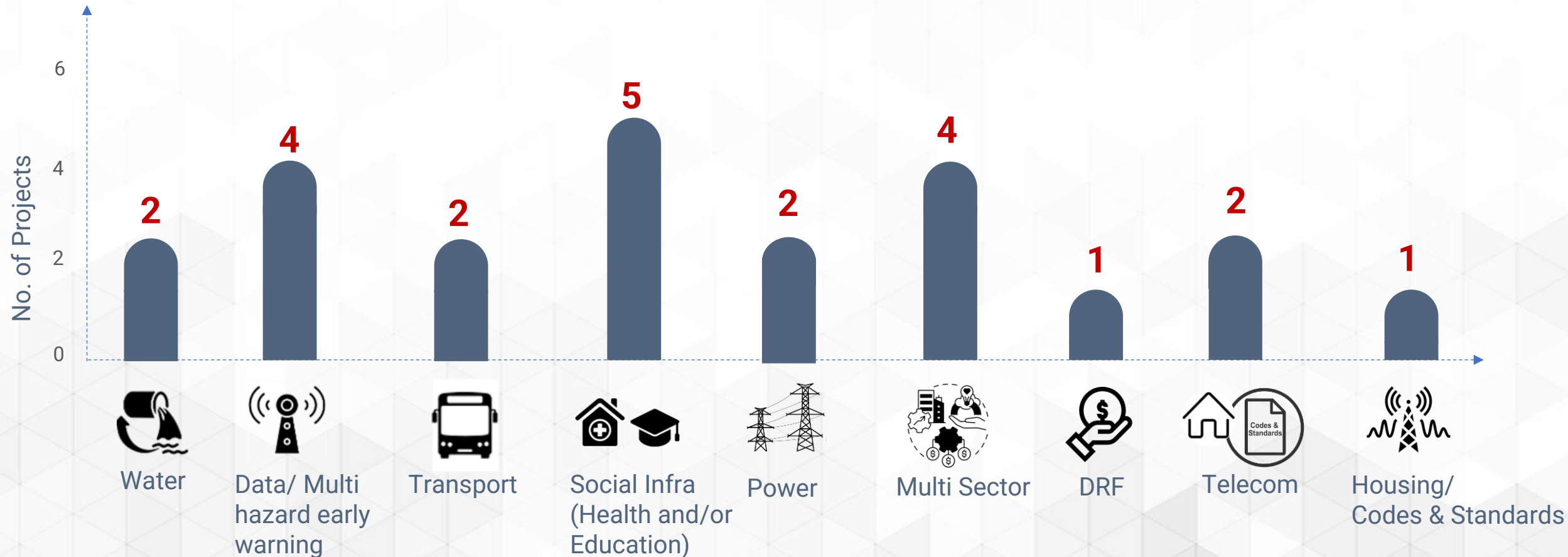




# IRIS Projects- Sectors



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**1: Data and Systems for Resilient Housing Programs**



Dominica

**2: Revision of the Haitian National Building Code**



Haiti

**3: Towards Developing Strategic Sustainable Integrated National Drainage and Irrigation Systems**



Guyana

**4: Dominican Republic National Multi Threat Early Warning System**



Dominican Republic

**5: Strengthening Institutional and Technical Capacity for Climate Resilient Transport Infrastructure Development**



Papua New Guinea

**6: Mapping, Assessing and Planning for Comprehensive Multi-hazard Early Warning Capabilities**



Fiji

**7: Strengthening Capacities, Security and Resilience of Critical Infrastructure**



Dominican Republic, Cuba, Haiti

**8: Roadmap for Health and Coastal Infrastructure Resilience of the Marshall Islands**



Marshall Islands

**9: Strengthening Data Management Foundation for Disaster Risk Preparedness in Belize**



Belize

**10: Enhancing National and Sub-national Capacity for Resilient Infrastructure**



Maldives

**11: National Surveys for Infrastructure Resilience Geospatial Databases to Support Exposure and Hazard Modelling**



Vanuatu, Kiribati, Tonga

# IRIS First Cohort

## 11 Projects



**1: Socially Inclusive Strengthening of Climate Resilient Infrastructure and Action in Caribbean SIDS**



Antigua and Barbuda, Dominican Republic, and Saint Lucia

**2: Boosting the resilience of infrastructure assets and planned large-scale infrastructure investments in 4 Caribbean SIDS through risk-informed infrastructure asset management policies and practices**



Bahamas, Belize, Jamaica, and St Vincent and the Grenadines

**3: Improving schools' resilience to natural disasters and climate adaptation**

Comoros



**4: Strengthening health facilities for disaster resilience**

Haiti



**5: Enhancing availability, quality, and use of risk information for critical infrastructure to reduce disaster risk, increase resilience and strengthen early warning systems**



Kiribati, Maldives and Timor-Leste

**6: Ensuring a sustainable and climate-resilient water supply in the Northern part of Mauritius**

Mauritius



**7: Guidelines and tools to enhance the resilience of schools**



Maldives

**8: Disaster Resilient Utility Infrastructure**



St. Kitts and Nevis

**9: The Blue Economy and Climate Change: Risk Assessment and Adaptive Strategies for Improved Seaport Resilience to Climate Change**



Seychelles

**10: Strengthening power sector resilience in Caribbean Island states**



Grenada, St. Lucia, St. Kitts and Nevis, and St Vincent and the Grenadines

**11: Enhancing resilience of critical subsea telecommunications connections for Tonga, Palau and other South Pacific Small Island Developing States (SIDS)**



Tonga, Palau

**12: Strengthening the resilience of the Vanuatu energy sector against climate-induced disasters**

Vanuatu



## IRIS Second Cohort

## 12 Projects



*Data and Systems for Resilient Housing Programs in Dominica*  
**Dominica, Build Change**

**Data collection (surveys) for assessing exposure and vulnerability of Dominica's existing housing infrastructure**





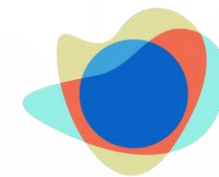
## *Towards Developing Strategic Sustainable Integrated National Drainage and Irrigation Systems*

**Guyana, GGGI**

**First National Stakeholder Workshop  
for Drafting the Strategy for Integrated and  
Sustainable Drainage & Irrigation in Guyana –  
September 2024**



# Impact on SIDS



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Partnerships  
for Resilience

Pipeline of  
Projects

Infrastructure  
Resilience  
Interventions

Capacity  
Building

Influence on the  
Volume of  
Investments

GEDSI  
Mainstreaming





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