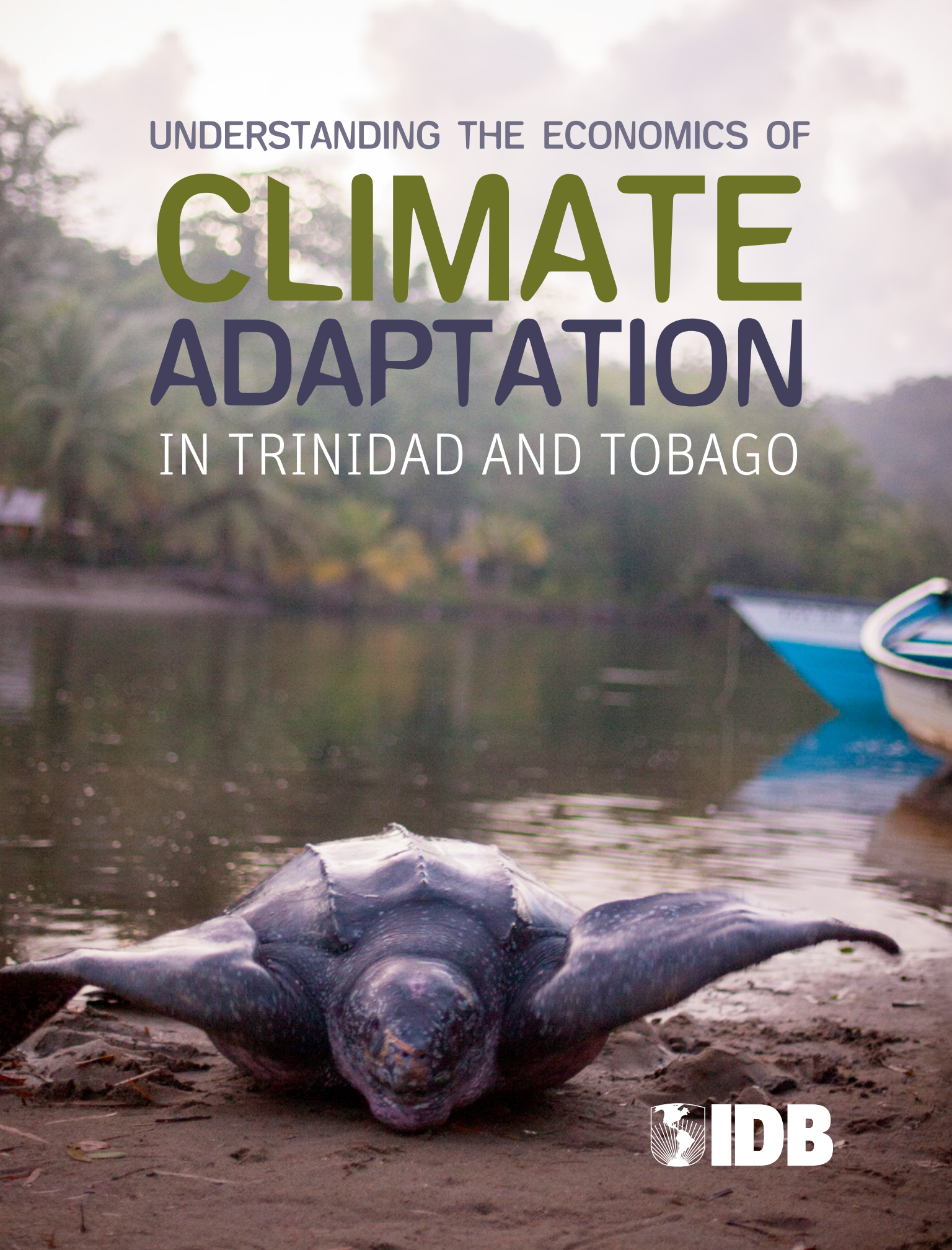


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In terms of climate hazards,

Trinidad and Tobago will, presumably, undergo higher tropical storm (TS) frequency and the effects derived from them: coastal flooding, wind and rainfall. Additionally the island will likely experience sea level rise and more frequent and intense droughts. The table on the next page shows a summary of the potential effects of climate change in Trinidad and Tobago.

In this report, the potential hazards due to climate change are presented, the economic effects of climate change in Trinidad and Tobago are calculated, the actions to mitigate the losses caused by climate change are proposed, and their economic costs and benefits are analyzed. Please note that all monetary values presented in this report are in current US Dollars.

Potential effects of climate change by sector in Trinidad and Tobago

Sector	Impact
Agriculture 	• Warmer weather from high temperature will cause soil aridity, lead to proliferation of pests and diseases, and put pressure on water resources for water for irrigation purposes. • Sea level rise will cause inundation and soil desalination. • The combined impact is low agricultural yields and decrease in food production.
Human Health 	• Higher temperature will increase spread of vector diseases. • Decrease in rainfall will affect potable water supply. • Sea level rise will cause increases in water borne diseases.
Human settlements 	• Increase in frequency and intensity of storm surge will cause more flooding and disrupt or destroy coastal settlements. • Increase in frequency and intensity of storm surge and extreme rainfall will cause damages to infrastructure from flooding and erosion.
Coastal zones 	• Sea level rise will lead to increased inundation, increased erosion, loss of wetlands, loss of ecosystems, and displacement of coastal communities. • High temperature will result in loss of coral reefs and reduction in fish stock.
Water resources 	• Increase in temperature will result in increased evapotranspiration and loss of available surface water. • Decrease in precipitation will reduce groundwater and aquifer recharge. • As an effect, available water resources will be reduced.
Energy sector 	• Infrastructure, including field installations and offshore operations, are at risk of inundation from sea level rise, storm surges and erosion from extreme rainfall. • Water shortages in the country may affect the needs of the industry in terms of energy generation. • Infrastructure damages due to extreme weather events.

Since the mean sea level is a slowly changing variable, the damage associated with sea level rise is linked to that of tropical storms. In fact, sea level rise increases the effects of the tropical cyclones and hurricanes because it magnifies the coastal flooding generated by storm surge and waves. In the table below, the mean economic damage expected for tropical storms considering the different scenarios of climatic (regional sea level rise and changes in the frequency of storm events) and vulnerability conditions is shown.

Expected annual damage for the different scenarios considered due to tropical storms

Scenario	Mean damage (MUSD/year)
S0	19.5953
S1	26.3465
S2	29.3377
S3	36.8614

For a better understanding of the results, it should be noted that the scenarios S0 and S1 are those in which today's vulnerability scenario is maintained, while in S2 and S3 the future vulnerability scenario is considered. Regarding the climate considered for the elaboration of the scenarios, in S0 today's climate is maintained, while in S1 and S2 a moderate change of the climate would take place and in S3 a high change.

The damage associated with the return periods of 50 and 200 years (probability of occurrence of 0.02 and 0.005) is obtained for each scenario as shown in the table below. Although changes in the mean are not very significant for S1 and S2 scenarios relating to S0, in terms of damage with low probability of occurrence the changes are more noticeable: 17% of change in the D50 for S1 scenario and 30.2% of change (almost double) for S2. In the case of S3 scenario the relative change in the D50 and D200 is up to 63%.

Damage associated to 50 and 200 years of return period for each climate change scenario and relative change from S0

Scenarios	D_{50} (MUSD)	D_{50}-D_{50S0} (%)	D_{200} (MUSD)	D_{200}-D_{50-S0} (%)
S0	170,115	0	205,883	0
S1	199,012	16,986	239,864	16,505
S2	221,607	30,268	267,098	29,732
S3	278,437	63,675	335,594	63,002

For droughts, there is only one future scenario due to the lack of historical data. In this case, the expected loss for droughts in Trinidad and Tobago is 1.815 M$TT. In terms of relative change, the damage associated with this climate change scenario represents an increase of 34% relating to historical damage due to drought events.

Regarding the identification of actions, the objective of this document is to propose measures that could reduce the effects of the hazards detected for Trinidad and Tobago. To do so, actions that cover a wide range of options are proposed. For instance, some of the included actions imply the development of important infrastructure, such as dikes, while others require a significantly less intensive financial investment such as the development of a social awareness program.

The process of the identification of actions consisted of several steps. As a first step, an analysis of the possible actions which could be developed in the country was carried out. To do so, a tailor-made prioritization methodology was designed, with which different possible adaptation actions were assessed and selected for the country level.

To do so, for the sectors included in the scope of the project - agriculture, industry, human health, human settlements and water resources - the direct and indirect consequences of the derived hazards that Trinidad and Tobago will face due to climate change were analysed.

After analyzing the direct and indirect consequences for every sector, the identification of the priorities of the country in adaptation terms was carried out. From those direct and indirect consequences, the priorities in terms of climate change adaptation for Trinidad and Tobago were defined as:

The next step in the prioritization methodology was the analysis of the actions, which was carried out considering different approaches. On the one hand, the results of the country priorities were considered by determining which priorities every action would respond to. Additionally, for every action, an evaluation of specific parameters which would likely act as barriers to implementation was carried out. These parameters included: economic requirements, legal capacity, institutional capacity, technological capacity and social capacity.



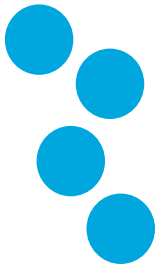
Prevent flooding in:
Human settlements
Industry
Agricultural land



Reduce the damage caused by extreme events (tropical storms, hurricanes, droughts, heat waves), in:
Human settlements
Industry
Agriculture



Prevent the erosion of:
Coastal land
Agricultural land



Guarantee water supply to:
Human settlements
Agriculture
Industry

Since not all the parameters have the same relevance regarding an action´s implementation, the proposed measures were classified by their importance and the action´s compliance level for the different parameters. A weighted mark was given based on the economic evaluation and the different capacities.

In the next table, a summary of the results is shown. As can be seen in the table, all the not selected actions have a lower mark than 22, which was considered the threshold which guaranteed the implementation of the action, except for the desalination technology. This measure was not included due to the fact that there is already a plant of this type in Trinidad, it is very costly, and it is environmentally less sustainable than other options.

Summary of the action prioritization

Action	Weighted score	Selected
National Building Code	29	Yes
Construction of dikes in coastal areas	23	Yes
Meteorological Alert System connected to the Monitoring System	30	Yes
Emergency Protocols	29	Yes
Social Awareness Program	33	Yes
Institutional Training Program	33	Yes
Rainwater harvesting	27	Yes
Infrastructure and Building Reinforcement	22	Yes
Retention ponds	33	Yes
Filter Strips	32	Yes
Permeable pavements	23	Yes
Beach nourishment	26	Yes
Mangrove Restoration	30	Yes
Parametric Insurance Scheme	30	Yes
Agriculture & Climate Change Research Unit	31	Yes
Green Roofs	26	Yes
Climate Change Adaptation Tool	26	Yes
Sustainable Drainage Systems	29	Yes
Coral Reef Protection and Restoration	33	Yes
Resettlement of population	15	No
Elevation of infrastructure	18	No
Pumping systems	20	No
Cover crops	21	No
Desalination technology	24	No

In order to diversify the options and maximize the applicability of the actions, a specific focus has been set on the type of investment required. Measure for which the funding would be provided by institutions, but also some measured based on a combined financial scheme or solely funded by the private sector were included in this study.

Furthermore, since the effects of climate change and, particularly, the hazards observed for Trinidad and Tobago affect different sectors, the actions identified are designed to deal with this factor, as stated in the prioritization stage. When possible, actions were designed in order to obtain a widespread impact.

In the next table, the complete list of the identified adaptation actions for Trinidad and Tobago is included along with the affected sectors and the type of investment required for every action.

Identified adaptation actions for Trinidad and Tobago

Action code	Title	Type of measure	Type of investment	Sector
TTA 1	National Building Code	Technological/procedural optimisation responses	Public	
TTA 2	Coastal Zone Protection in Trinidad	Infrastructure and asset-based responses	Public	
TTA 3	Meteorological alert and Monitoring Systems Connected	Systemic/behavioural responses	Public	
TTA 4	Emergency Protocols	Systemic/behavioural responses	Public	
TTA 5	Social Awareness Program	Systemic/behavioural responses	Public	
TTA 6	Institutional Training Program	Systemic/behavioural responses	Public	
TTA 7	Rainwater harvesting	Technological/procedural optimisation responses	Private	
TTA 8	Infrastructure and Building Reinforcement	Infrastructure and asset-based responses	Private	
TTA 9	Retention ponds	Infrastructure and asset-based responses	Public and private	
TTA 10	Filter Strips	Infrastructure and asset-based responses	Public and private	
TTA 11	Permeable pavements	Infrastructure and asset-based responses	Public	
TTA 12	Beach Restoration and Protection in Tobago	Infrastructure and asset-based responses	Public	
TTA 13	Mangrove Restoration in Trinidad	Infrastructure and asset-based responses	Public	
TTA 14	Parametric Insurance Scheme	Risk transfer via insurance and alternative financial solutions	Public and private	
TTA 15	Agriculture & Climate Change Research Unit	Technological/procedural optimisation responses	Public	
TTA 16	Green Roofs	Infrastructure and asset-based responses	Public and private	
TTA 17	Climate Change Culture Survey for the General Public	Systemic/behavioural responses	Public	
TTA 18	Mangrove Restoration in Tobago	Infrastructure and asset-based responses	Public and private	
TTA 19	Coral Reef Protection and Restoration in Tobago	Systemic/behavioural responses	Public	

For this report, the economic costs and benefits of each measure were identified, calculated and analyzed in order to understand the economic viability of each action.

Economic costs were calculated by estimating the costs of implementing each measure, including construction costs, labour costs, material costs, and maintenance costs. Economic benefits were calculated by taking the probabilities of natural hazards occurring with the projections of moderate climate change, the expected damages from these natural hazards, and the impact that these measures would have in mitigating damages. In most cases, several benefits were able to be identified and calculated for each measure. However, in some cases, given the lack of environmental and social information specific to Trinidad and Tobago, and given the nature of certain benefits, some benefits to society were not able to be calculated. It should be expected that, in these cases, the total benefits to society will be larger than the benefits calculated in this study, given that not all benefits were able to be monetized for this analysis.

Several economic and multi-criteria tools were used in order to analyse the feasibility of the measures including Net Present Value, Payback Period, Benefit/Cost Ratio, "No Regret" analysis, and a Multi-Criteria Analysis. The first four tools fall into the category of cost-benefit analysis in which environmental and social costs and benefits are all given monetary values in order to understand their feasibility and compare each measure against each other. In the last tool, Multi-Criteria Analysis, each societal good is looked at independently, and not given a monetarial value. Although complex and subjective, it invites other issues related to the measures to be looked at and compared.

The table on the next page shows a summary of the economic analysis done for this study. It includes the total costs and benefits calculated for the measure, the net present value of the project´s cash flows, the estimated payback period of each measure, and the measure's Benefit-Cost Ratio.



Results of the Cost-Benefit Analysis of the actions

Action code	Title	Sector	Total cost	Total benefit	Net present value	Pay back (years)	Benefit-Cost Ratio
TTA 1	National Building Code		$4,529,327	$72,151,025	$43,923,883	1.9	15.9
TTA 2	Dike Construction in Trinidad		$115,554,303	$4,033,247	-$79,223,470	61.6	0.0
TTA 3	Meteorological Alert System Connected to the Monitoring System		$41,000	$3,935,834	$2,830,906	0.1	96.0
TTA 5	Social Awareness Program		$198,787	$98,240	-$83,151	∞	0.5
TTA 4	Emergency Protocols		$1,659,793	$3,545,712	$1,344,701	0.9	2.1
TTA 6	Institutional Training Program						
TTA 7	Rainwater Harvesting		$1,714,977	$1,180,476	-$500,418	24.9	0.7
TTA 8	Infrastructure and Building Reinforce-ment		$61,820,734	$27,911,274	-$27,646,239	35.4	0.5
TTA 9	Retention Ponds		$279,616	$47,027	-$187,075	∞	0.2
TTA 10	Filter Strips		$487,080	$356,132	-$121,338	24.9	0.7
TTA 11	Permeable Pavements		$375,536,762	$38,897,785	-$252,122,202	∞	0.1
TTA 12	Beach Nourishment in Tobago		$23,688,332	$20,736,386	-$5,522,748	19.4	0.9
TTA 13	Mangrove Restoration in Trinidad		$744,188	$71,348,613	$43,881,303	4.4	95.9
TTA 14	Parametric Insurance Scheme		$62,850	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TTA 15	Agriculture & Climate Change Research Unit		$4,455,439	$986,772	-$2,661,472	∞	0.2
TTA 16	Green Roofs		$1,055,220	$1,786,554	$276,093	9.9	1.7
TTA 17	Climate Change Survey for the General Public		$24,794	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TTA 18	Mangrove Restoration in Tobago		$35,325	$5,193,043	$3,402,443	4.2	147.0
TTA 19	Coral Reef Protection and Restoration in Tobago		$624,672	$523,245	-$89,772	∞	0.8



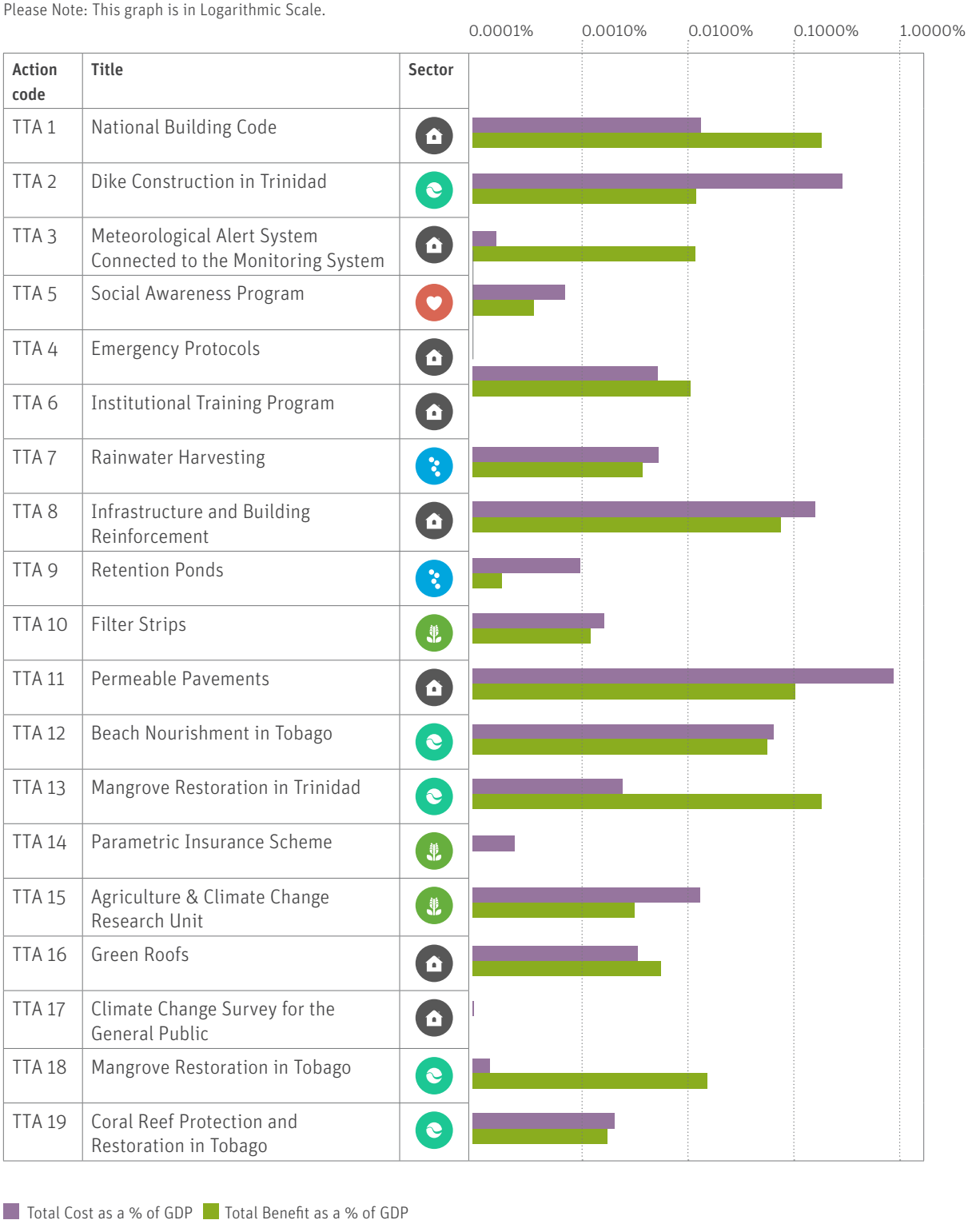
Please note: The total costs and total benefits for TTA 4 and TTA 6 were calculated together. Also, TTA 14 does not have any measureable economic benefits, as it is considered that insurance programmes do not modify the overall damage caused by the extreme events. They are useful from a cost-efficiency perspective but not from a cost-benefit approach, because the economic damage is the same even if insurance programmes are not developed. The only difference is the way in which that economic damage is covered. Therefore, from a societal cost perspective the cost-benefit analysis does not change. However, of course, from a private cost perspective it does make a difference. TTA 17 also does not have any economic benefits that can be calculated; the survey will provide information to both policy makers and practitioners, yet without knowing the results of the survey, it is impossible to determine the impact of this information in economic terms.

The graph on the next page shows the total costs and total benefits of each measure as a percentage of total GDP in Trinidad and Tobago:

Total Costs and Total benefits as a Percentage of GDP

Please Note: This graph is in Logarithmic Scale.

Action code	Title	Sector
TTA 1	National Building Code	
TTA 2	Dike Construction in Trinidad	
TTA 3	Meteorological Alert System Connected to the Monitoring System	
TTA 5	Social Awareness Program	
TTA 4	Emergency Protocols	
TTA 6	Institutional Training Program	
TTA 7	Rainwater Harvesting	
TTA 8	Infrastructure and Building Reinforcement	
TTA 9	Retention Ponds	
TTA 10	Filter Strips	
TTA 11	Permeable Pavements	
TTA 12	Beach Nourishment in Tobago	
TTA 13	Mangrove Restoration in Trinidad	
TTA 14	Parametric Insurance Scheme	
TTA 15	Agriculture & Climate Change Research Unit	
TTA 16	Green Roofs	
TTA 17	Climate Change Survey for the General Public	
TTA 18	Mangrove Restoration in Tobago	
TTA 19	Coral Reef Protection and Restoration in Tobago	



As can be seen by these measures, with the exception of permeable pavements (TTA 11) and Dike Construction in Trinidad (TTA 2) all of the measures have a total cost (not discounted) that is less than 0.3% of the GDP of Trinidad and Tobago in 2012. In terms of total benefit (not discounted), Mangrove Restoration in Trinidad (TTA 13) and National Building Code (TTA 1) have total benefits of about 0.3% of GDP. The average total cost as a percentage of GDP is 0.137% and the average total benefit as a percentage of GDP is 0.59%.

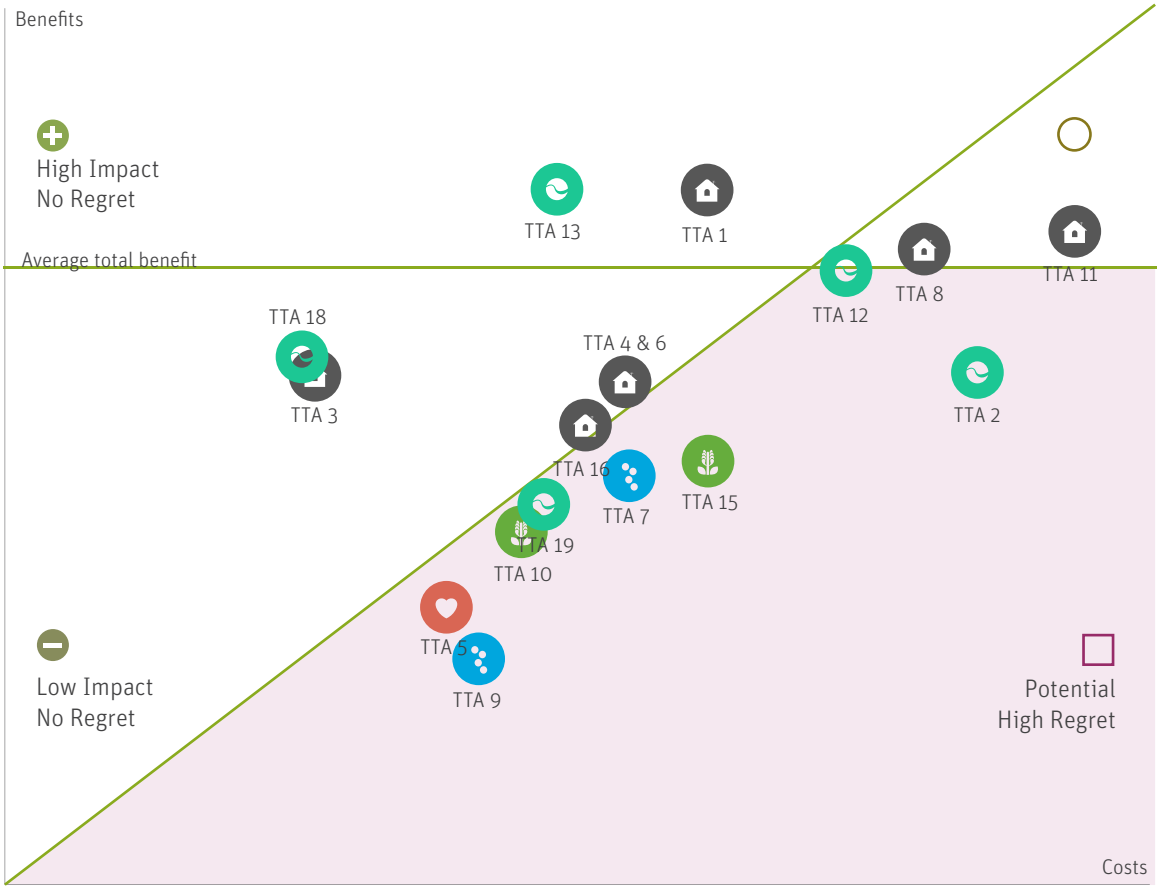
When organized by sector, the measures for Coastal Zones and the measures for Human Settlements have relatively high benefits. Coastal Zone measures average a benefit equivalent to 0.426% of GDP and Human Settlements measures average a benefit equivalent to 0.618% of GDP. That being said, these two groups of measures also have the largest costs. Coastal Zone measures average cost is equivalent to 0.586% of GDP and Human Settlements measures average cost is equivalent to 1.854% of GDP. The next groups of measures with the highest benefits are the agriculture (with an average benefit of 0.006% of GDP) and water resources (with an average total benefit of 0.005% of GDP). However, in terms of cost; the measures for water resources have an average cost equivalent to 0.008% of GDP, while the average costs of measures for agriculture is higher, at 0.021% of GDP. Lastly, the measure for the Human Health sector has both the smallest cost (0.001% of GDP) and smallest benefit (0.004% of GDP).

The table on the following page shows the results for each measure in terms of “No Regret”. “No regret” strategies are those in which the project can be justified in economic terms, even without climate change, however its benefits increase even more with climate change. For the analysis, four categories were developed:

- High Impact and “No Regret”: Actions that have no regret, and also have a high impact in reducing damages due to natural hazards.
- Low Impact and “No Regret”: Actions that have no regret, and offer a lower impact in terms of reducing damages.
- Low Regret: Actions that are not necessarily “No Regret” yet will produce significant benefits in the event of a natural hazard.
- Potential High Regret: Actions that are not “No Regret” yet produce lower levels of benefits in the event of a natural hazard.

"No Regret" Analysis

Please note: this graph is showing the present value of the total benefits and total costs. It is also in logarithmic scale.



From this analysis, the results show that:

- The National Building Code (TTA 1) and Mangrove Restoration in Trinidad (TTA 13) fall into the category of High Impact and "No Regret"
- Meteorological alert system connected to the Monitoring System (TTA 3); Emergency Protocols (TTA 4) and Institutional Training Program (TTA 6); Green Roofs (TTA 16); and Mangrove Restoration in Tobago (TTA 18) all fall into the category of Low Impact and "No Regret"
- Infrastructure & Building Reinforcement (TTA 8); Permeable Pavements (TTA 11); and Beach Nourishment in Tobago (TTA 12) fall into the category of Low Regret
- Dike Construction in Trinidad (TTA 2); Social Awareness Program (TTA 5); Rainwater Harvesting (TTA 7); Retention Ponds (TTA 9); Filter Strips (TTA 10); Agriculture & Climate Change Research Unit (TTA 15) and Coral Reef Protection and Restoration in Tobago (TTA 19) fall into the category of Potential High Regret.

Lastly, a multi-criteria analysis was made in order to weigh the economic information against additional criteria necessary for decision-making. These criteria included:

- Importance: The importance that the measure has in regarding the ability to decrease the impacts of climate change.
- Urgency: The urgency with which the measure should be implemented in order to gain the maximum benefits from its implementation.
- No Regret: The level of "No Regret" this measure has. "No regret" strategies are those in which the project can be justified in economic terms, even without climate change, however its benefits increase even more with climate change.
- Secondary Effects: The level to which this measure would bring additional positive secondary effects to society.
- Mitigation Effects: The level to which, in addition to improving the adaptability of the country to Climate Change, the implementation of the measure also would help mitigate climate change by reducing emissions.

These scores have then been given a weighted score, with Importance having more weight (5) over Urgency (4), No-Regret (3), Secondary Effects (2), and Mitigation Effects (1). Therefore, in the following graphs, those measures with the largest bar are not necessarily those with the highest priority. For example, although Mangrove Restoration in Trinidad has a very high ranking in all aspects, it is not the highest in terms of priority since its weighted score was not the highest.

The measures are ordered within the following table and graph based on their score in Importance, then Urgency, then No-Regret, then Secondary Effects, and Lastly Mitigation Effects.



Multi-criteria analysis of the actions

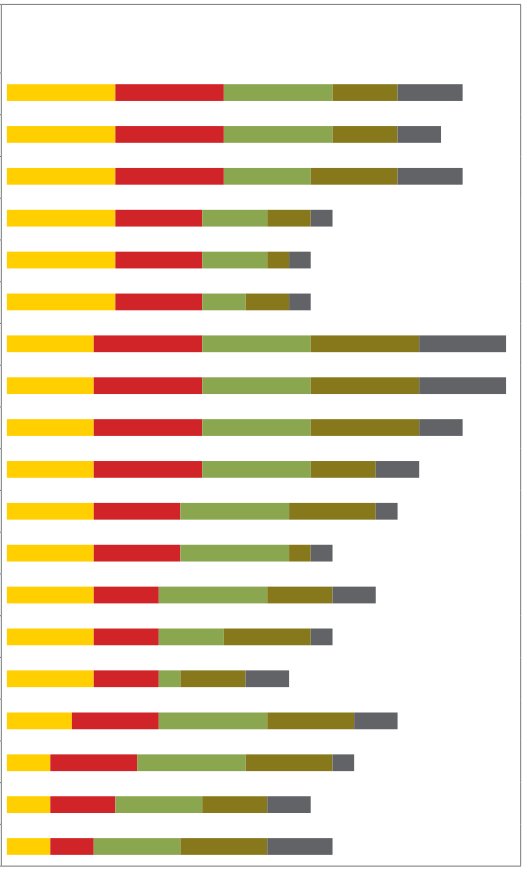
Measure Priority	Nº	Measure	★	△	⊕	⊕	CO2	Weighted
1	TTA 1	National Building Code	5	5	5	3	3	69
2	TTA 6	Institutional Training Program	5	5	5	3	2	68
3	TTA 8	Infrastructure and Building Reinforcement	5	5	4	4	3	68
4	TTA 4	Emergency Protocols	5	4	3	2	1	55
5	TTA 3	Meteorological Alert & Monitoring Systems Linked	5	4	3	1	1	53
6	TTA 17	Climate Change Survey for the General Public	5	4	2	2	1	52
7	TTA 13	Mangrove Restoration in Trinidad	4	5	5	5	4	69
8	TTA 18	Mangrove Restoration in Tobago	4	5	5	5	4	69
9	TTA 19	Coral Reef Protection and Restoration in Tobago	4	5	5	5	2	67
10	TTA 5	Social Awareness Program	4	5	5	3	2	63
11	TTA 12	Beach Nourishment in Tobago	4	4	5	4	1	60
12	TTA 14	Parametric Insurance Scheme	4	4	5	1	1	54
13	TTA 7	Rainwater Harvesting	4	3	5	3	2	55
14	TTA 2	Dike Construction in Trinidad	4	3	3	4	1	50
15	TTA 15	Agriculture & Climate Change Research Unit	4	3	1	3	2	43
16	TTA 9	Retention Ponds	3	4	5	4	2	56
17	TTA 10	Filter Strips	2	4	5	4	1	50
18	TTA 11	Permeable Pavements	2	3	4	3	2	42
19	TTA 16	Green Roofs	2	2	4	4	3	41

Based on the Multi-criteria analysis, National Building Code (TTA 1), Institutional Training Program (TTA 6), Infrastructure & Building Reinforcement (TTA 8), Emergency Protocols (TTA 4), and Meteorological alert system connected to the Monitoring System (TTA 3) came in as the top 5 in terms of priority measure to implement.

In conclusion, after looking at all of the different facets of each measure and analyzing cost/benefit results mentioned in this study, the measures that are the most favourable and feasible for Trinidad and Tobago are the implementation of a National Building Code (TTA 1), Meteorological Alert System connected to the Monitoring System (TTA 3), Emergency Protocols (TTA 4), and Institutional Training Program (TTA 6), given that they were ranked the highest priority and they are all considered “No Regret” Measures. Additionally, Infrastructure & Building Reinforcement (TTA 8) is recommended due to its high ranking in the multicriteria analysis and that it is considered Low Impact and Low Regret. Given the large benefits associated with mangroves, Mangrove Restoration in Trinidad (TTA 13) and Tobago (TTA 18) are also highly recommended for implementation. The Parametric Insurance Scheme (TTA 14) is also highly recommended, although it is not considered “No Regret”, is as it will help reduce the financial risks felt by the Government, private companies and individuals in situations of Natural Hazard. Also, given the strong percentage of tourism related to the economic well-being of Tobago, it would be interesting to look into Beach Nourishment (TTA 12) and Coral Reek Protection and Restoration (TTA 19) as a possible ways to maintain the long term growth of tourism on the island.

Multi-criteria analysis of the actions

Nº	Measure	
TTA 1	National Building Code	
TTA 6	Institutional Training Program	
TTA 8	Infrastructure and Building Reinforcement	
TTA 4	Emergency Protocols	
TTA 3	Meteorological Alert & Monitoring Systems Linked	
TTA 17	Climate Change Survey for the General Public	
TTA 13	Mangrove Restoration in Trinidad	
TTA 18	Mangrove Restoration in Tobago	
TTA 19	Coral Reef Protection and Restoration in Tobago	
TTA 5	Social Awareness Program	
TTA 12	Beach Nourishment in Tobago	
TTA 14	Parametric Insurance Scheme	
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TTA 2	Dike Construction in Trinidad	
TTA 15	Agriculture & Climate Change Research Unit	
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TTA 16	Green Roofs	



It is important to note that while all of these measures are analyzed as individual measures, many of these measures would have increased impacts if they were implemented in conjunction with other proposed measures. As an example, many of the measures regarding coastal management, including the construction of dikes (TTA 2), the restoration of mangroves (TTA 13 and TTA 18) and the protection of coral reefs (TTA 19), will have improved results if jointly implemented. The same can be said for the social awareness campaign (TTA 5), emergency protocols (TTA 4), institutional training program (TTA 6), and meteorological alert system connected to the monitoring system (TTA 3). All of the measures detailed in this report should therefore be looked at holistically and strategically when deciding which activities to implement, ensuring that possible mutual and re-enforcing benefits are captured.

Additionally, these recommendations have been made based on the information currently available. In many cases, secondary sources were used in order to determine the costs and benefits for these measures, given the lack of primary source information. It is recommended that before any of these measures are undertaken, a detailed analysis of their feasibility and impacts be done in order to decide whether or not to implement the measure.


The
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Case

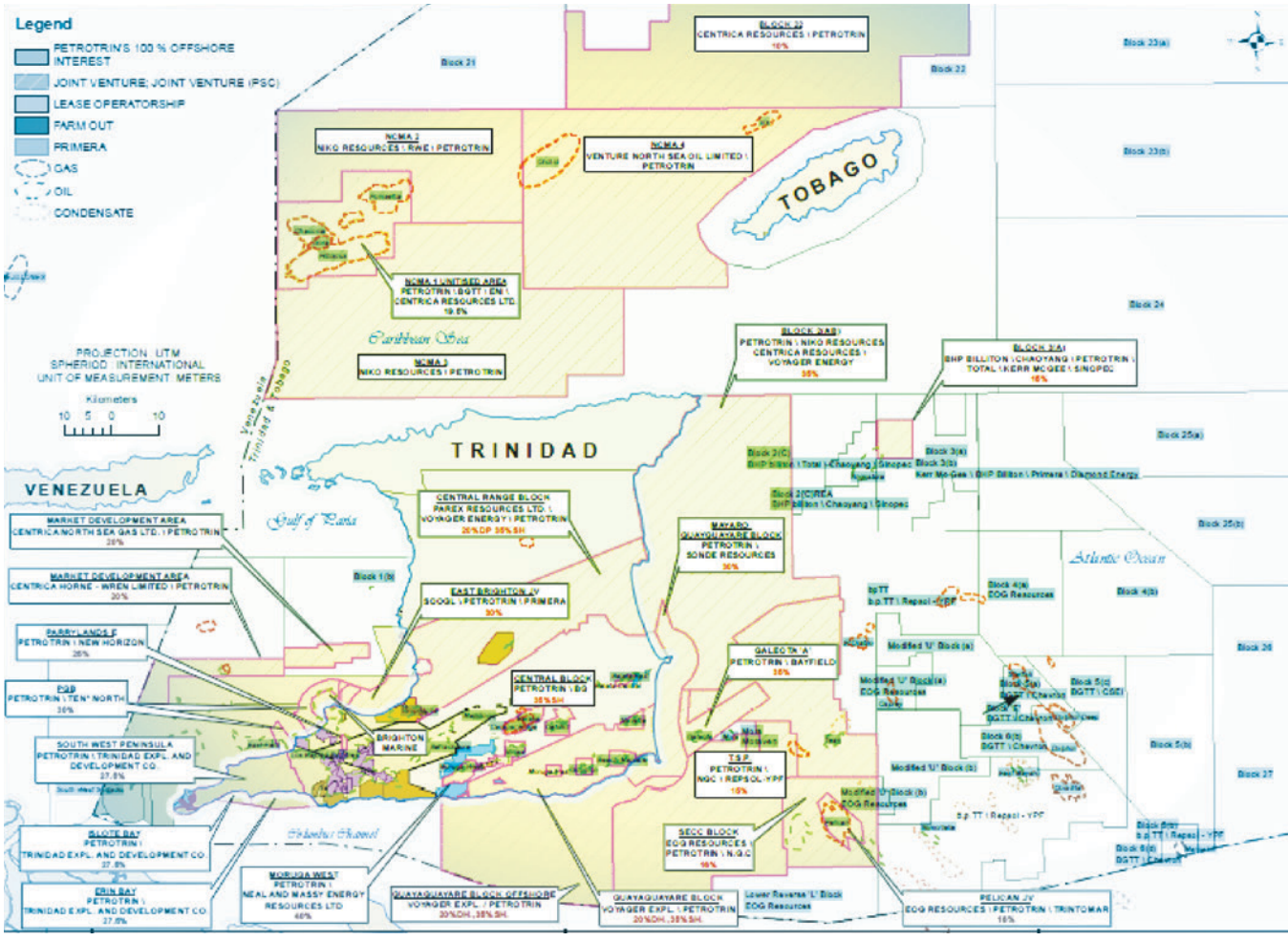


For this analysis, the pilot case study has been focused on the Petroleum Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago (Petrotrin). This case study was chosen given the importance of the petroleum sector in the country's economy, and Petrotrin's importance within the sector. The Petroleum Industries sector accounts for over 43% of the GDP of Trinidad and Tobago in 2012, based on the GDP statistics provided by the Central Statistics Office (CSO) of Trinidad and Tobago. Petrotrin was incorporated in 1993 to consolidate the interests of the Trinidad and Tobago Oil Company (Trintoc) and the Trinidad and Tobago Petroleum Company (Trintopec), but its roots can be traced to the first years of the 20th century. They play a leading role in the development of the energy sector in Trinidad and Tobago, being the nation's largest crude oil producer.

This in terms of production is expressed by the full capacity of the refinery, of up to 168,000 barrels per day and average of approximately 127,650 barrels per day. A map showing the extent of Petrotrin's operations in the country is shown in the figure below.

Map showing Petrotrin's Areas of Operations

Source: Petrotrin, Energy Map Feb 2013



The table below describes how each of these measures is defined along these categories.

Proposed actions for the pilot study

Action code	Title	Type of measure / responses	Type of investment	Sector
PT 1	Climate Change Adaptation Tool	Technological/procedural optimisation	Private	
PF 1	Coastal Zone and Guaracara River Protection	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PF 2	Retention Ponds in Point Fortin	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PF 3	Construction of Swales and Berms in Point Fortin	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PF 4	Mangrove Protection in Point Fortin	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PF 5	Relocation of Infrastructure in Point Fortin	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PF 6	Infrastructure Elevation in Point Fortin	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PAP 1	Dike Construction in Pointe-à-Pierre	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PAP 2	Construction of Retention Ponds at Pointe-à-Pierre	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PAP 3	Sustainable Drainage Systems in Pointe-à-Pierre	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PAP 4	Mangrove Restoration in Pointe-à-Pierre	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PAP 5	Relocation of Infrastructure in Pointe-à-Pierre	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	
PAP 6	Infrastructure Elevation in Pointe-à-Pierre	Infrastructure and asset-based	Private	

As with the measures analysed for the country, the economic costs and benefits of each measure designed for Petrotrin have been identified, calculated and analyzed in order to understand the economic viability of each action. The next table shows a summary of the economic analysis done for this study. It includes the total costs and benefits calculated for the measure, the net present value of the project´s cash flows, the estimated payback period of each measure, and the measure's Benefit-Cost Ratio.

It is important to note that costs and benefits were not estimated for PF 6 and PAP 6 due to the lack of information about the specific infrastructure in these areas.

Results of the Cost-Benefit Analysis of the pilot project actions

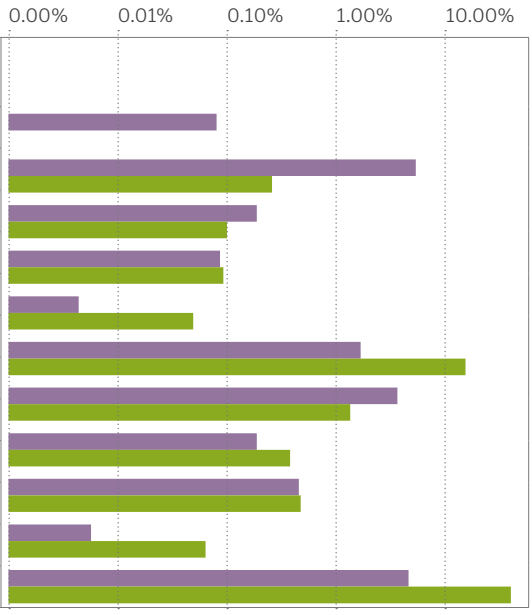
Action code	Title	Total cost	Total benefit	Net present value	Pay back (years)	Benefit/ Cost Ratio
PT 1	Climate Change Adaptation Tool	$117,500	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PF 1	Coastal Zone and Guaracara River Protection	$7,267,721	$370,635	-$3,927,621	∞	0.1
PF 2	Retention Ponds in Point Fortin	$269,900	$145,574	-$173,446	24	0.5
PF 3	Construction of Swales and Berms in Point Fortin	$126,194	$134,871	-$52,703	15.4	1.1
PF 4	Mangrove Protection in Point Fortin	$6,750	$72,391	$26,285	7.8	10.7
PF 5	Relocation of Infrastructure in Point Fortin	$2,317,739	$20,375,901	$9,987,274	0	8.8
PF 6	Infrastructure Elevation in Point Fortin	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PAP 1	Dike Construction in Pointe-à-Pierre	$4,961,914	$1,869,243	-$2,011,884	27.8	0.38
PAP 2	Construction of Retention Ponds at Pointe-à-Pierre	$269,900	$537,769	$37,866	9.3	2.0
PAP 3	Sustainable Drainage Systems in Pointe-à-Pierre	$644,715	$669,062	-$223,766	15.6	1.04
PAP 4	Mangrove Restoration in Pointe-à-Pierre	$8,708	$93,384	$33,907	7.8	10.7
PAP 5	Relocation of Infrastructure in Pointe-à-Pierre	$6,260,578	$52,076,889	$24,548,353	0	8.3
PAP 6	Infrastructure Elevation in Pointe-à-Pierre	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Relocation of infrastructure in both Point Fortin and Pointe-à-Pierre both have significantly high positive Net Present Values, given the fact that the infrastructure built will provide the company benefits during their entire use life and remove the risks of inundation. For the actions restoring mangroves in both Point Fortin (PF 4) and Pointe-à-Pierre (PAP 4), the costs of the action are much lower than the potential benefits. The actions related to improving drainage in both Point Fortin (PF 2 and PF 3) and Pointe-à-Pierre (PAP 2 and 3) have Payback Periods of less than three years, making these measures interesting for consideration in terms of reducing the risk of inundation in both locations. Lastly, the measure related to building dikes in Point Fortin (PF 1) has rather high costs relative to its benefits. This is partly due to the fact that the benefits due to Petrotrin's use of the port area and terminalling stations were not able to be included in the study due to lack of specific information regarding the use of this port by the company. It should be mentioned that Point Fortin is considered and an important terminalling station for the company, and therefore if this benefit were able to be included, this measure's results would likely improve.

Total Cost and Total Benefits of each measure as a percentage of Petrotrin's Net Profit in 2012

Please note, this graph is in logarithmic scale

Action code	Title
PT 1	Climate Change Adaptation Tool
PF 1	Coastal Zone and Guaracara River Protection
PF 2	Retention Ponds in Point Fortin
PF 3	Construction of Swales and Berms in Point Fortin
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PF 5	Relocation of Infrastructure in Point Fortin
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PAP 2	Construction of Retention Ponds at Pointe-à-Pierre
PAP 3	Sustainable Drainage Systems in Pointe-à-Pierre
PAP 4	Mangrove Restoration in Pointe-à-Pierre
PAP 5	Relocation of Infrastructure in Pointe-à-Pierre



The graph shows the measures' total costs and total benefits as a percentage of the company's net profit in 2012.

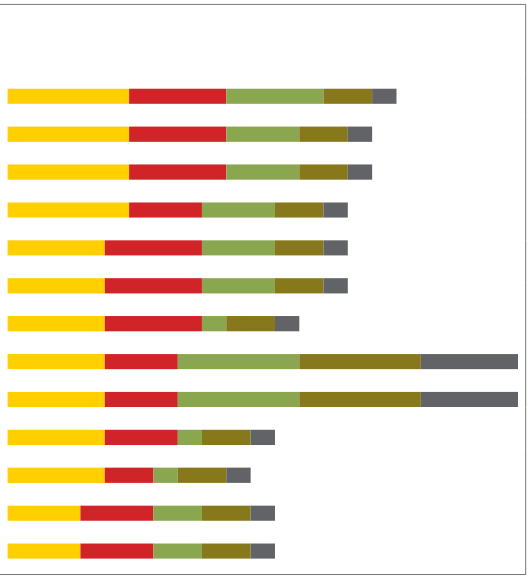
Both measures related to the relocation of infrastructure in Point Fortin (PF 5) and Pointe-à-Pierre (PAP 5) fall under the category of High Impact and "No Regret". As mentioned previously, this is due to the fact that the infrastructure built will provide the company benefits during their entire use life and remove the risks of inundation. The measures involving mangrove restoration in Point Fortin (PF 4) and Pointe-à-Pierre (PAP 4) are considered Low Impact and "No Regret" due to their high Benefit/Cost ratio. Retention Ponds in Pointe-à-Pierre is between Potential High Regret and Low Impact and "No Regret", as its costs are similar to its benefits. Lastly, the rest of the measures, fall under the category of Potential High Regret. The measures in Pointe-à-Pierre have slightly better results than those for Point Fortin. This is due partially to the fact that more of the benefits related to the productive value of Pointe-à-Pierre were able to be estimated and included in the analysis. However, this result also makes sense given that Pointe-à-Pierre has the country's only oil refinery, and is of relatively higher strategic importance for Petrotrin.

Similar to the country level actions, a multi-criteria analysis was carried out as well for the actions of the pilot study. The results of this Multi-Criteria Analysis exercise are shown in the graph on the next page.

Multi-criteria analysis of the pilot project actions

The scores in each bar in order from left to right: Importance, Urgency, No-Regret, Secondary Effects, and Mitigation

Action code	Title
PT 1	Climate Change Adaptation Tool
PF 1	Coastal Zone and Guaracara River Protection
PF 2	Retention Ponds in Point Fortin
PF 3	Construction of Swales and Berms in Point Fortin
PF 4	Mangrove Protection in Point Fortin
PF 5	Relocation of Infrastructure in Point Fortin
PF 6	Infrastructure Elevation in Point Fortin
PAP 1	Dike Construction in Pointe-à-Pierre
PAP 2	Construction of Retention Ponds at Pointe-à-Pierre
PAP 3	Sustainable Drainage Systems in Pointe-à-Pierre
PAP 4	Mangrove Restoration in Pointe-à-Pierre
PAP 5	Relocation of Infrastructure in Pointe-à-Pierre



As shown in the graph, the elevation of the Port in Point Fortin is the classified as highest, by weighted score. This is due to the fact that the port and terminalling stations are strategic for Petrotrin. The actions focused on reinforcing the coastal areas in both Point Fortin and Pointe-à-Pierre are also highly classified in the Multi-Criteria Analysis. The Relocation of Infrastructure and improvement of drainage systems in Pointe-à-Pierre also have high importance and urgency due to the significance of the infrastructure in Pointe-à-Pierre to Petrotrin. The climate change action adaptation tool obtains better results than mangrove restoration, mainly due to its urgency compared to that of the mangrove restoration.

When the actions are classified by type, actions in both Point Fortin and Pointe-à-Pierre are both relatively equal in terms of scoring, with actions in Point Fortin having slightly higher urgency. This is due to the fact that flooding in Point Fortin is expected to occur before 2031, whereas flooding in Pointe-à-Pierre - although affecting more infrastructure for the company - is not projected to occur until 2051.

As a conclusion, if the results of the different assessments conducted are analysed in conjunction, it can be seen that, for different reasons, all the actions proposed might be helpful and interesting from a climate change adaptation perspective. In terms of Mangrove Restoration in both Point Fortin (PF 4) and Pointe-à-Pierre (PAP 4), the results of the multi-criteria analysis related to importance and urgency are lower, but it has a good benefit-cost ratio and offers many positive secondary effects. Second, the climate change adaptation tool does not offer any economic benefits itself, but it would be very useful for the company to obtain a comprehensive view of its current and future situation in terms of climate change adaptation. Furthermore, it would include all the climate change adaptation information already developed by the company and would facilitate the development of complex adaptation assessments in the different sites in which the company is located - taking into account the vulnerability of those sites and any other relevant factors. It would therefore facilitate the decision-making by including the climate change factor in the assessments of the company.

Lastly, it is important for Petrotrin to look at the remaining measures holistically, and determine its best strategy for the company, and then for both Point Fortin and Pointe-à-Pierre. As can be seen by the projections done for both areas by Singh and El Fouladi (2006 for Pointe-à-Pierre and 2007 for the Point Fortin area), both locations are at risk of inundation and land erosion due to sea level rise and storm surge in the future. Both areas are also strategically important for the company, as Point Fortin facilities deliver the region's best strategically located terminalling services and Pointe-à-Pierre is home to the country's only oil refinery (Petrotrin, 2013). Therefore, both areas will likely need investments made in order to adapt to the risks of climate change and ensure their productive use in the future. Petrotrin will need to look strategically at the options and decide what is best for the company. As an example, they may decide to improve the drainage systems in both locations in the short term (PF 2 and 3, PAP 2 and 3), while working to acquire the financial investments required for larger projects such as Port and Infrastructure Elevation in Point Fortin (PF 6) and Dike Construction in Pointe-à-Pierre (PAP 1).

It is important to mention that while all of these measures are analyzed as individual measures, many of these measures would have increased impacts if they were implemented in conjunction with other proposed measures. As an example, all of the measures, with the exception of relocation and elevation of infrastructure, are designed to help reduce the risk of flooding and storm surge, and therefore could help improve the protection of the industrial area if jointly implemented. All of the measures detailed in this report should therefore be looked at holistically and strategically when deciding which activities to implement, ensuring that possible mutual and re-enforcing benefits are captured.

Also, these recommendations have been made based on the information currently available. In many cases, secondary sources were used in order to determine the costs and benefits for these measures, given the lack of primary source information. It is recommended that before any of these measures are undertaken, a detailed analysis of their feasibility and impacts be done in order to decide whether or not to implement the measure. Additionally, it is recommended that Petrotrin complete a multi-criteria analysis similar to the one done in this study in order to include their knowledge and experience regarding their business practices into the results.






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