Commonwealth Marine Economies Programme

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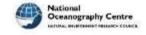
UK CME PROGRAMME

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What is the CME Programme?

- UK Government Funded Programme
- Focus on initiatives to promote economic growth and prosperity
- Cross government programme using the expertise of Cefas, NOC and UKHO
- SIDS within the Caribbean and Pacific Oceans in scope
- Local projects enabled in conjunction with the Target State
- UK led projects combined with capacity building and knowledge transfer

CME Programme Aims

The Programme will:

- Enable countries to better realise the potential of their blue economies (in a sustainable manner that conserves their oceans and marine resources in accordance with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals).
- Assist SIDS to understand the nature, extent and potential of their precious marine resources (acquire and apply the skills necessary to use them sustainably).
- Assist SIDS in the protection of their marine environments.
- Help build capacity (by providing states with a wide range of expertise in key marine and maritime areas).

Current data does not support the needs of the Maritime Economy

Due to the age and type of data currently held of the waters in the Commonwealth SIDS:

- It is largely inadequate for safe navigation
- It does not comply with international standards and requirements
- It reduces efficiency of maritime trade
- It is largely inadequate for modelling
- It does not support fisheries management
- It does not support resource exploitation
- It can discourage some shipping from visiting

CME Programme – Areas of Activity



UKHO CME Programme

Process for determining projects

- TAV
- Risk Assessment
- Liaising with local stakeholders
- Seabed mapping
- Training and Capacity Building to develop local capability and an ongoing legacy

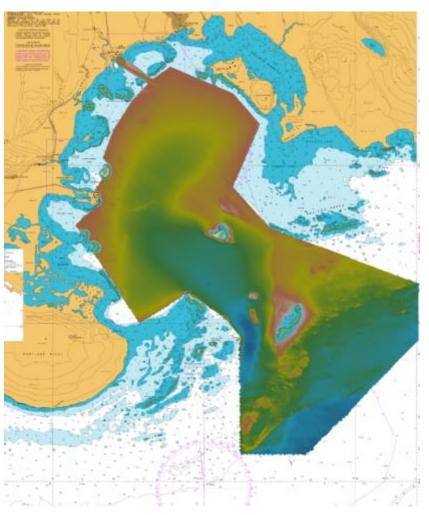
Stakeholder Input to Survey Priorities

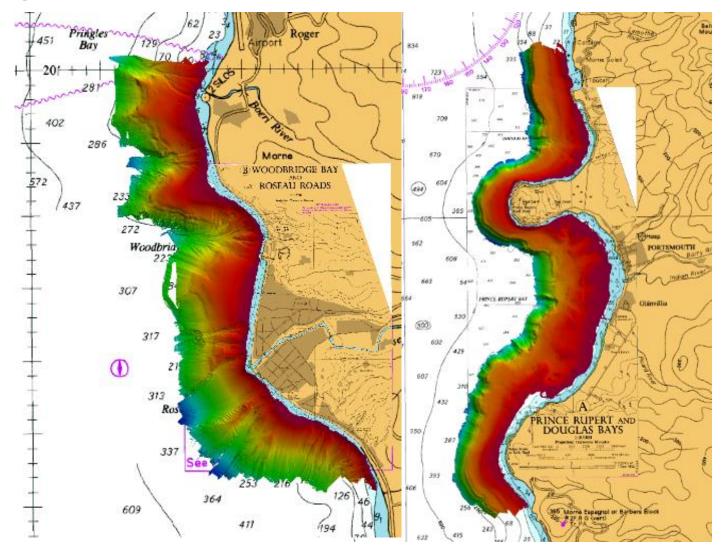
Following in country briefings and meetings with stakeholders key areas for seabed mapping were identified.

Examples of benefits expressed by stakeholders included:

- Navigational Risk Mitigation
- Compliance with international conventions (SOLAS)
- Encouraging increased / larger cruise vessels
- Better design of shipping routes
- Improved definition of marine habitats
- Improved valuation of marine resources
- Improved disaster mitigation
- Coastal protection

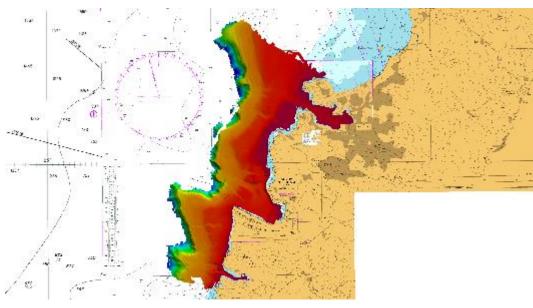
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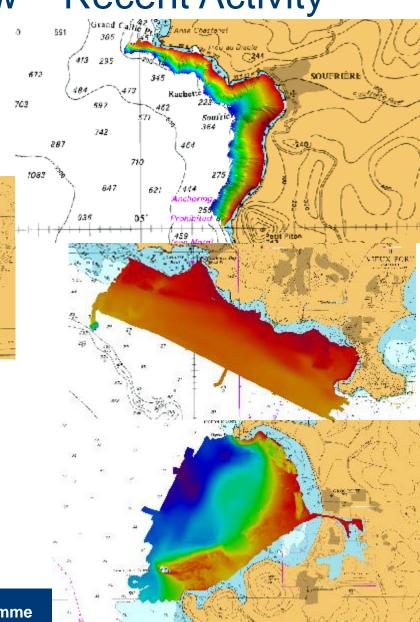




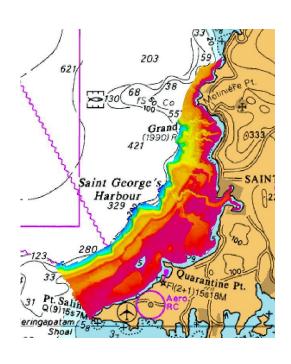
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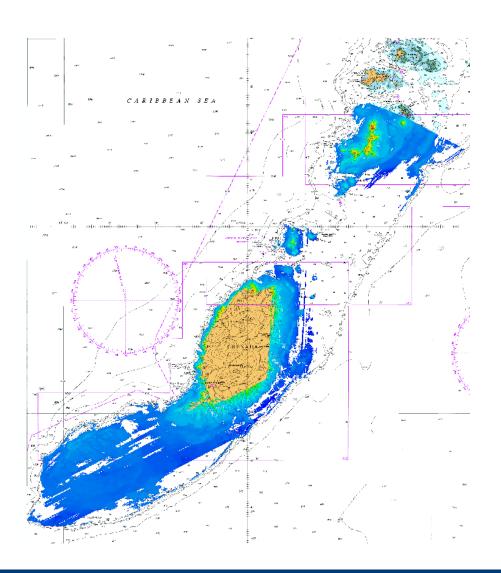




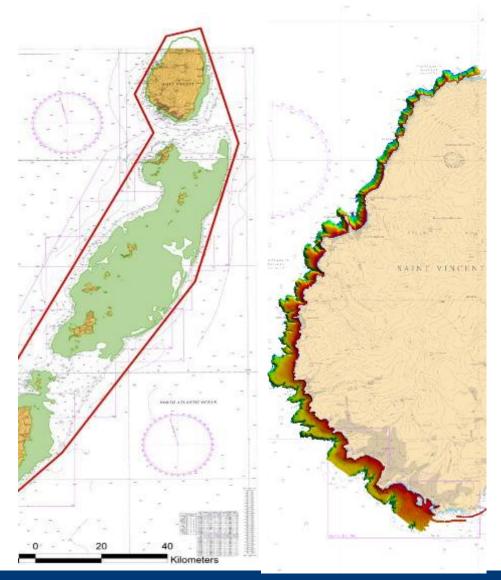


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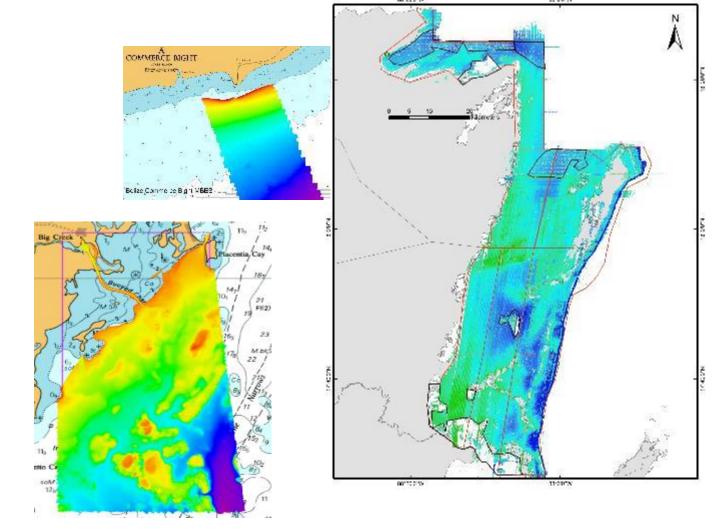




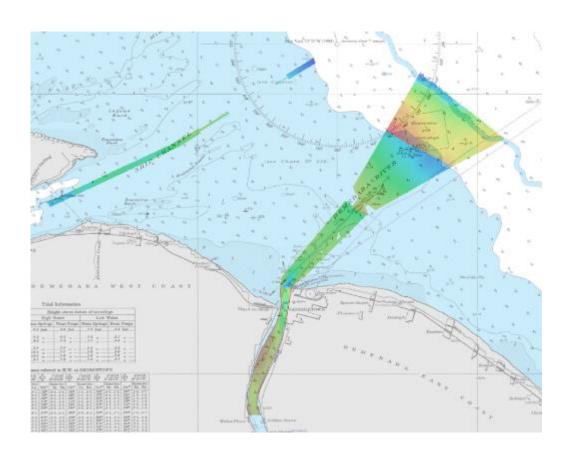
St Vincent and Grenadines



Belize



Guyana



Hydrographic Governance Workshop



CME Programme Summary

- Programme aimed at Commonwealth SIDS
- Understanding current capability
- Improving seabed mapping
- Increasing local capacity