

Minimum Regulatory Framework: A Requirement for Sustainability and Resilience

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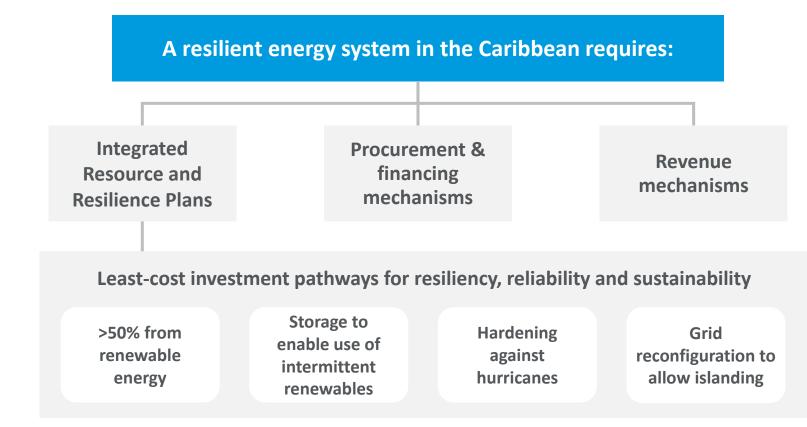
Agenda

- What is preventing development of resilient energy systems in the Caribbean?
- How a minimum level of regulation can be implemented across the Caribbean
- Addressing the revenue mechanism
- The 12-month challenge



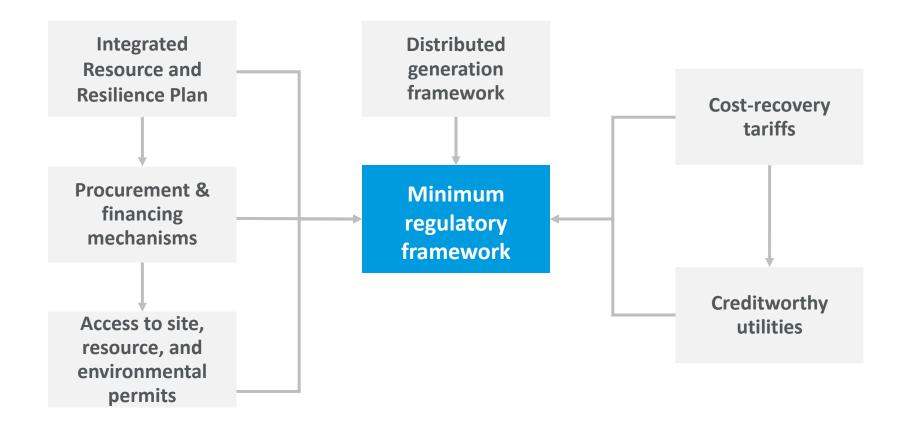
What is preventing development of resilient energy systems in the Caribbean?

A resilient energy system: One that provides continuous, reliable, affordable, sustainable electricity supply in the face of shocks, including natural disasters and economic disruptions





A Minimum Regulatory Framework can be implemented Caribbean-wide under CDB's ASERT program

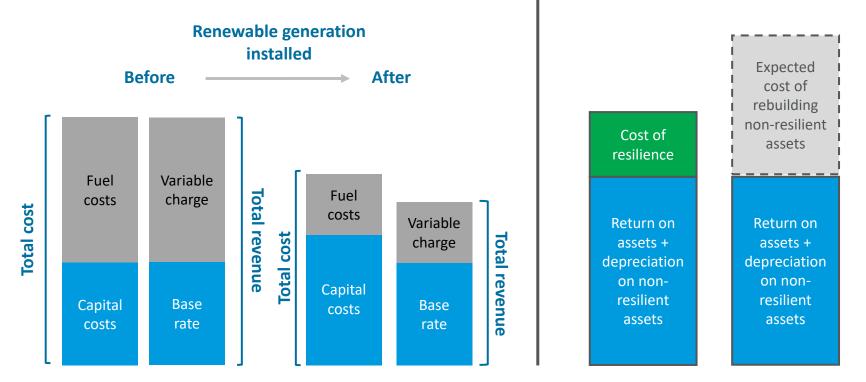




The revenue mechanism must be addressed

A problem to avoid: Renewable energy reduces costs, but reduces revenues even more

Higher upfront costs for resilience can save money in the future



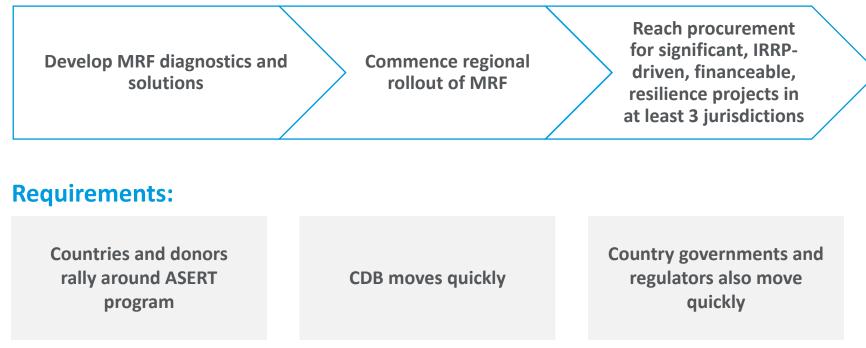
Combined with the other MRF elements, these changes will enable financing of resilient electricity systems in any jurisdiction which adopts them



The 12-month challenge

A critical, 12-month obstacle to funding the resilience cost gap in the Caribbean energy sector is the lack of critical regulatory mechanisms to enable finance of investment needed.

In the next 12 months:





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