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Clean Energy Expert David Williams Visits Belize on Behalf of ECPA Senior Fellows



Washington, D.C., April 10, 2015 – David Williams, a Senior Fellow in the Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas (ECPA), visited Belize between April 7-10 and participated in meetings with representatives from government ministries and private sector financial and development institutions. Mr. Williams offered technical assistance on clean energy financing measures in support to one of the [ECPA](#) initiatives called “[Caribbean Sustainable Energy Capacity Building Initiative](#)” ([SECBI](#)), which is executed by the [Organization of American States \(OAS\)](#) and funded by the U.S. Permanent Mission to the OAS.

[The Senior ECPA Fellows](#) program is a network of high-level technical experts in the fields of climate change and energy who travel to countries in the Western Hemisphere to consult with governments or other institutions. The program is sponsored by the [U.S. Department of State](#) and is administered by [Partners of the Americas](#). [10 Senior ECPA Fellows](#) currently represent the program, which focuses on energy efficiency, renewable energy, sustainable urban design, climate adaptation and sustainable forestry, and climate change adaptation.

In Belize, Mr. Williams worked on one of the outcomes of the above mentioned [SECBI project](#), which provides support towards the intensification of energy efficiency efforts in governments, businesses and households in Belize. In meetings with the [Ministry of Energy, Science and Technology and Public Utilities](#), the [Public Utilities Commission \(PUC\)](#), [Belize Electricity Limited \(BEL\)](#), the [Central Bank of Belize](#), the [Development Finance Corporation of Belize](#), and consultations with financial institutions, private-sector financial and development firms, Mr. Williams offered capacity building support on fostering investments in sustainable energy projects. In addition, Mr. Williams met with the [British High Commission in Belmopan](#) to consult on various clean energy finance issues.

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