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**Sustainable Development Expert, Jeff Soule, to Visit Grenada  
on Behalf of ECPA Senior Fellows**



**Washington, D.C., June 20, 2013** – [Jeff Soule](#), a Senior Fellow in the Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas (ECPA), will be traveling June 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> to participate in outreach efforts in Grenada. Senior ECPA Fellow Jeff Soule works as the Director of Outreach and International Programs at the American Planning Association and is representing the [Sustainable Communities in Central America and the Caribbean](#) Initiative.

[The Senior ECPA Fellows](#) program is a network of high-level technical experts in the fields of climate change and energy who travel between countries in the Western Hemisphere to consult with governments or other institutions. The program is sponsored by the [U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Western Hemispheric Affairs](#) and is administered by [Partners of the Americas](#). There are currently [20 Senior ECPA Fellows](#) who participate in these international exchanges. The main areas of focus for the program are: energy efficiency, renewable energy, energy infrastructure, energy poverty and access, sustainable forestry and land use, and climate change adaptation.

Jeff Soule is an expert of historic cities and sustainable urban development and planning; he has a long-standing commitment to historic preservation through U.S. ICOMOS and has reviewed several UNESCO World Heritage Site applications. Jeff will be visiting Grenada, whose capital, St. George's, has been on the UNESCO World Heritage Site tentative list since 2004. He hopes to advise key stakeholders in Grenada on policies and programs that could strengthen the restoration, revitalization, and conservation of historic St. George's as a sustainable and energy-efficient community that can serve as a model for all of Grenada. During his exchange to Grenada, Jeff will be meeting with officials of [Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Civil Aviation](#) and the [Ministry of Works of the Government of Grenada](#). Following a tour of the historic center of Grenada's capital, St. George's, Mr. Soule will discuss ongoing efforts in Grenada to institute a Conservation Plan for the historic town center.

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