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PRESS RELEASE

SAINT LUCIA TO BENEFIT FROM OAS' DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION FUND (DCF)



Washington D.C. - "We are pleased to learn of the recent signing of the Agreement between the Organization of American States (OAS) and Saint Lucia which effectively launches the implementation of *Saint Lucia's Digital Enhancement Program* under the OAS' Development Cooperation Fund (DCF) 2021-2024 project cycle," commented Ambassador Edmunds on the recent announcement that Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) will be beneficiaries of grant funding of US\$100,000. This through the Ministry of Commerce, International Trade, Investment, Enterprise Development and Consumer Affairs.

Saint Lucia has benefitted in previous cycles of the DCF including in 2014-2017 on Social Inclusion/Social Protection; and the more recently concluded 2017 -2021 cycle, *Towards a more quality assured Early Childhood Development Sector*. "I am especially proud of the role that our office played in securing this support, working closely with headquarters and OAS officers charged with managing the DCF", he concluded.