

BELIZE

ACP Region: Caribbean
Population: 270,000
Official Language: English
Capital: Belmopan

National authority responsible for culture: Ministry of Education, Youth, Sports and Culture. Pomona Village, Stann Creek, District Belice C.A. Tel: (501) 822-1329. Fax: (501) 822-3673

Principal public cultural bodies:

- Belize Intellectual Property Office
- National Institute of Culture and History. Created in 2003 to bring together government departments concerned with culture, there are 4 sectors: Institute of Creative Arts, Museums and Houses of Culture, Institute of Archaeology, Social and Cultural Research Institute. <http://www.nichbelize.org>
- Belize Arts Council. <http://www.belizemall.com/bac/>

COOPERATION WITH THE EC

Cultural Cooperation: nothing. Culture is not included in the 9th EDF spheres of cooperation.

Regional cooperation: EC/Cariforum Programme

Delegation: DEC to Jamaica