

Significant achievements in 2014



Trinidad and Tobago

- At the request of the Ministry of Food Production, IICA conducted a cost of production analysis in three categories of cassava production in order to guide the ministry in its interventions for the development of the cassava industry.
- At the request of the Ministry of Food Production, the Institute conducted an assessment of the existing Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) conditions and capabilities of Trinidad and Tobago for liberalization of trade in honey and honey products, and developed a framework for further interventions to facilitate such trade.
- Forty-five farmers have developed further capacities in Entrepreneurship, Agricultural Health and Food Safety (AHFS), Resource Mobilization, Events Planning and Management, Marketing, and Technology and Innovation, through workshops organized by IICA.
- IICA provided training and supervised senior staff and technical personnel of the Division of Agriculture, Marine Affairs, Marketing and the Environment, of the Tobago House of Assembly, in procedures and methodologies for preparing their Agricultural Sector Plan.
- As a result of workshops organized by IICA, members of the Network of Rural Women Producers, participants from Tobago, women from other community groups, and youths from the Agricultural Professional Development Programme have increased their capacity to earn additional income through the training they received in production of value-added products from root crops and goat's milk. The Institute facilitated the Food Safety sessions with the participants, while the University of the West Indies and a private consultant facilitated the product development segments.