

**RESOLUTION No. 552**

**JOINT ACTION PROGRAM OF THE CARIBBEAN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH  
AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (CARDI) AND IICA**

The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, at its Thirty-first Regular Meeting,

HAVING REVIEWED:

Document IICA/CE/Doc. 577 (11), "IICA-CARDI 2011-2014 Program for Joint Action,"

CONSIDERING:

That, by means of Resolution IICA/CE/Res. 533 (XXX-O/10), the Executive Committee instructed the Director General of IICA and the Executive Director of CARDI to present, for consideration by the Thirty-first Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, a joint action program, including projects in high-priority areas identified in IICA's 2010-2014 Medium-term Plan that would effectively complement the capabilities and resources of the two institutions for the benefit of the Institute's member countries;

That, in the same resolution, the Executive Committee urged CARDI and IICA to reinforce their institutional links and programs for joint action. It also requested that the two institutions establish a committee, chaired by the Executive Director of CARDI and the Director General of IICA, or the officials that they chose to represent them, to program their joint activities each year, and monitor the execution of projects and their contributions; and,

That IICA and CARDI have made significant progress in establishing more effective mechanisms for joint action, and in identifying and preparing projects that will be implemented under the above-mentioned "IICA-CARDI 2011-2014 Program for Joint Action."

RESOLVES:

1. To accept the "IICA-CARDI 2011-2014 Program for Joint Action."
2. To urge IICA and CARDI to continue to strengthen their technical links and mechanisms for implementing joint activities, with a view to enhancing the contribution that the two institutions make in support of agricultural and rural development efforts in the Caribbean.