

**RESOLUTION No. 573**

**BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE TROPICAL AGRICULTURE RESEARCH  
AND HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER (CATIE) FOR 2011-2012 AND  
PROGRESS OF THE IICA-CATIE PROGRAM FOR JOINT ACTION**

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

HAVING SEEN:

The document “CATIE Biennial Report for 2011-2012” and the presentation made by the Directorate of Technical Cooperation of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) on the progress made with the IICA-CATIE Program for Joint Action,

CONSIDERING:

That, by means of Resolution IICA/JIA/Res. 441 (XIV-O/07), the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA) delegated to the Executive Committee responsibility for receiving and analyzing the reports and plans of the Tropical Agriculture Research and Higher Education Center (CATIE) and requested that, in future, the Director General of this Center forward directly to the General Directorate of IICA the version of the biennial report and plans of CATIE accepted by the Executive Committee;

That, by means of Resolution IICA/CE/Res. 532 (XXX-O/10), the Executive Committee instructed the Directors General of IICA and CATIE to present for consideration by the Thirty-first Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, held in 2011, 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 Member States of the Institute; and

That, by means of Resolution IICA/CE/Res. 550 (XXXI-O/11), the Executive Committee accepted the “IICA-CATIE 2011-2014 Program for Joint Action,”

RESOLVES:

1. To accept CATIE’s biennial report for 2011-2012 and thank the Director General of the Center for his presentation.

2. To accept the “Progress Report on the Activities of the IICA-CATIE Program for Joint Action.”
3. To urge IICA and CATIE to continue to strengthen their links and mechanisms for implementing the activities of the Program for Joint Action, with a view to enhancing the contribution of the two institutions in support of the efforts of the Member States to achieve competitive, sustainable and inclusive agricultural development.