

Agriculture, Rural Development Food Security and the Sugar sector – EU programmes for Latin America and the Caribbean

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- o Alongside the wider Cotonou agreement, the sugar protocol has long incorporated preferential trade arrangements with the EU for certain ACP countries (in the Caribbean Barbados, Belize, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago).
- o Since 2009, the market will be opened up to the ACP countries in stages. The measures encourage adaptation by:
 - making sugar cane more competitive, where viable, taking account of the situation for different stakeholders in the chain.
 - promoting economic diversity in sugar-dependent areas
 - addressing the wider impact of the adjustment process, including employment, social services, land use and environmental restoration.

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- Sugar has played a major economic, social and environmental role in many sugar protocol countries and the new EU rule pose a major challenge. To support the adjustment process, the EU will be providing aid worth €1,25 billion (2006-2013).
- This funding is allocated nationally, in line with the general EU development strategy for each country.

DCI SUGAR Multiannual programming 2011-2013

Caribbean countries:

Barbados: 28.719.000 €

St. Kitts and Nevis: 27.586.000 €

Guyana: 74.772.000 €

Jamaica: 61.906.000 €

Belize: 25.618.000 €

Trinidad and Tobago: 33.855.000 €

Aid allocation to African, Caribbean and Pacific countries eligible for Banana Accompanying Measures (BAM) for the period 2012-2013

Country Indicative initial allocation 2012-2013(EUR):

Belize: 22,800,000

Cameroon: 48,290,000

Cote d'Ivoire: 44,750,000

Dominica: 15,270,000

Dominican Republic: 16,340,000

Ghana: 7,240,000

Jamaica: 4,730,000

St Lucia: 10,350,000

St Vincent & the Grenadines: 9,930,000

Suriname: 9,300,000

TOTAL: 190,000,000

Food Security, Agriculture and Rural Development

AAP 2011:

Guatemala: Food Security, 6.500.000 €

Nicaragua: Cadena de valor sector forestal, 8.000.000 €

AAP 2012:

Honduras: Apoyo al sector forestal, 45.000.000 €

Uruguay: Innovation and territorial cohesion, 11.000.000 €

Cuba: Food Security, 10.000.000 €

Caribbean: Food Security, 9.500.000 €

INTERVENTION EXAMPLE

Food Security

Cuba: Support for the modernisation of local agriculture in Cuba (EC contribution 16,6 Million €, 2009-2012)

Up until June 2011, 8000 new farmers and 'cooperativas' have already been supported.

Objectives:

Decreasing the country's dependency on imported food, so as to reduce food price rises by increasing local food production, improving distribution channels and building capacity at municipality and cooperative level

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Impact:

- More than 250 project cooperatives have benefited from equipment and training and have developed production plans.
- 8000 new farmers have been supported.
- 70 group members trained in municipal agrarian development and self-sufficiency plans

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Agriculture

Haiti: Improving Haiti's natural resources and water management, diversification of agriculture and aquaculture (9,6 million € EC contribution, duration: 04/2009-11/2011)

Context: Following four major hurricanes and particularly the earthquake of 12/01/10 added a huge new dimension to an ongoing food crisis in Haiti.

Objectives:

- To improve the food security and livelihoods of 300000 rural households
- To increase and diversify agriculture and agro-forestry combined with improved natural resources and water management.

Intervention Example Agriculture

Impact:

- Construction of 692 water tanks for domestic use and home garden horticulture
- 2550 silos constructed for grain and seed conservation
- Reconstruction of 12,5 km of rural roads
- Legalisation of 25 local organisations (to manage compost production sites, cage and lake aquaculture)

Intervention Example – Rural Development/Forestry

Brazil: Socio-economic development through improved territorial management and sustainable use of forest resources in Brazil (EC contribution 2.498.103 €, duration: 2009-2012)

Context: In a context of inadequate public policies and weak organisation of family producers, this project aims at improving livelihoods and at developing effective sustainable land use practices.

Objectives:

- Strengthen the capacity of local communities and their organisations to sustainably manage their land and forest resources and influence public policies.
- Adoption of sustainable agriculture and forestry by the local communities.
- Improve the coherence of public policies for land tenure rights, forest settlements and environment.

Intervention Example – Rural Development/Forestry

Impact:

- 500 families adopting alternative sustainable production practices.
- 120 local community leaders and 30 technicians trained in the promotion of relevant policies.
- Publication of 8 information folders on sustainable production.
- 2 community land use plans prepared.