

Achievements 2022

Saint Kitts and Nevis



- The Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), in collaboration with the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (CCCCC), the National Designated Authority (NDA) and the Ministry of Agriculture in St. Kitts and Nevis (SKN), conceptualized and prepared a Green Climate Fund (GCF) Simplified Approval Process (SAP) Concept Note, entitled "St. Kitts and Nevis Climate Smart Agriculture Project (SKN CSA-P)". The concept note was submitted to the GCF by the Accredited Entity (CCCCC), with IICA as an Executing Entity (https://www.greenclimate.fund/document/st-kitts-and-nevis-climate-smart-agriculture-project-skn-csa-p).
- IICA continued to be at the forefront of climate change at the technical, farm and policy level, through the GCF AgReady Project, which trained five extension officers in greenhouse gas (GHG) monitoring. The trained extension officers, in turn, taught 50 farmers from both crop and animal production the skills needed for onfarm GHG record keeping. Policymakers, including the Minister of Agriculture, participated in leadership training addressing the climate crisis in agriculture.
- The Institute strengthened its partnership with the Republic of China (Taiwan) Technical Mission, through collaboration aimed at increasing the participation of farmers at the Caribbean Climate Responsive Agriculture Forum (CCRAF). In SKN, 138 persons participated, with 33 persons participating in all three sessions and 105 persons participating in at least one session.

- Agricultural Health and Food Safety (AHFS) remained a priority for the country and IICA. Technical support was provided to build country capacity for African swine fever, as well as surveillance and detection services for plant diseases in crops such as citrus, bananas, root and tubers and mangoes. Thorough the 11th European Development Fund (EDF) Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures Project, two technicians were trained in plant parasitic nematode diagnosis, surveillance and management.
- The Institute, in collaboration with the St. Kitts Nevis Association of Persons with Disabilities (SKNAPD), successfully presented a concept note to the Global Environment Facility Small Grants Program (GEF SGP) to support the development of an urban farm and training centre for persons with disabilities.
- IICA supported small and medium enterprises (SMEs) by:
 - Providing packing material to assist agroprocessors in both islands.
 - Supporting the trade efforts of nine SMEs attending the Caribbean Virtual Agri-Food Trade Mission, with two successfully conducting meetings with buyers.
 - Establishing a woodwork centre for making beekeeping equipment and a honey extraction and value-added facility for the Beekeepers Cooperative.