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Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA)



The Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA) is an ACP-EU institution working in the field of information for development. We operate under the ACP-EU Cotonou Agreement and our headquarters are in The Netherlands. When it was set up, in 1984, CTA was given the challenging task of improving the flow of information among stakeholders in agricultural and rural development in African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries. Our work focuses on three key areas:

- providing information products and services (e.g., publications, question-and-answer services and database services);
- promoting the integrated use of communication channels, old and new, to improve the flow of information (e.g., e-communities, web portals, seminars, and study visits);
- building ACP capacity in information and communication management (ICM), mainly through training and partnerships with ACP bodies.

At the core of all our activities are our partnerships with ACP national and regional bodies. We also work with a wide network of ACP-EU public and private sector bodies, as well as international organisations around the world. Our overall aim – to better serve the ever-changing information needs of all stakeholders in ACP agricultural and rural development. Through our partners we are working with these stakeholders to achieve the goal shared by the whole development community – poverty alleviation and sustainable development.

>>> [The CTA website](#) ^[1]

Centre for the Development of Enterprise (CDE)



CDE's mandate given in the Cotonou Agreement positions the Centre as an Institution dedicated to support private sector development in ACP countries.

The Center provides non-financial services to ACP companies and to joint initiatives of ACP and EU economic operators in various economic sectors, with the main aim to increase competitiveness of ACP enterprises.

CDE's specific objectives are given as follows:

- facilitate ACP-EU business partnerships;
- develop enterprise support services in ACP (capacity building with private sector organisations and service providers);
- assist investment promotion activities and organisations;
- assist technology transfer and management skills.

>>> [The CDE website](#) ^[2]

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