This chapter describes technical cooperation projects, investment and lending operations, educational and training programs, and activities conducted by the ROC–CAEDF in Central America.

Technical Cooperation covers services in five principal fields:

- Guidance and advisory services for SMEs
- Capacity building
- Special research projects
- Volunteer programs
- Projects commissioned by the ROC Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)

Under Investment and Lending Operations, we describe the three-year core rolling programs for the period 1998 to 2000, the core programs for 2000, and some of the cooperative initiatives with international organizations. Also, we present an overview of approved loan projects for 2000.

The pages on Education and Training provide information on seminars, human resources development programs that we are conducting with international organizations, scholarship programs, and the ICDF Alumni Society.

We conclude with an outline of the Republic of China–Central American Economic Development Fund (ROC–CAEDF), which incorporates the Executive Training Program, the Central America Trade Office, seminars on technical and vocational education for Central American countries, the scholarship program for Central American Students in Taiwan, and the OSPESCA Strengthening Project.