

Appendix IV

Cooperation with International Organizations

Asian Development Bank (ADB)

ADB Education and Training Project

This project enables ICDF personnel to gain project management skills and multiple international cooperation experience from the ADB and encourages further cooperation between the two organizations. Each year, the ICDF recommends one staff member for a six-month secondment program in the ADB's project department.

Emergency Regional Support to Address the Outbreak of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)

The ICDF shared Taiwan's successful experiences in handling the SARS outbreak to assist ADB developing nation members in boosting public health measures to prevent future outbreaks.

African Development Bank (AfDB)

Livestock Development Project in São Tomé and Príncipe

In accordance with the Livestock Development Project implemented by the ICDF Technical Mission, the AfDB is providing loans to help establish livestock infrastructure.

Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI)

Central America Vacuum Fried Food Processing Seminar

Participants from Taiwan and Central America discussed vacuum frying techniques, packaging and marketing at the seminar.

SME Re-lending Project in Central American Countries

A US\$ 10 million loan has been provided for Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica, and Nicaragua to alleviate the development constraint faced by SMEs in the Central American region due to the lack of long-term financing. The manufacturing, agricultural, and commercial sectors will all benefit from this loan.

Credit Guarantee Projects in Central American Countries

The ICDF is providing credit guarantee services for Taiwanese companies through 30 financial institutions that have cooperative relationships with CABEI. These credit guarantee services are encouraging Taiwanese enterprises to invest in overseas markets and enhance economic ties with Central American countries.

Regional SME Re-lending Project in Central American Countries

Capital of US\$ 50 million is provided to assist private sector development in Central America and strengthen the commercial banks in the region that participate in the project. The project provides SMEs with banking services, helping to solve difficulties they face in obtaining financing. Meanwhile, it creates employment opportunities and sparks economic growth.

Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA)

Lower Usuthu Smallholder Irrigation Project in Swaziland

This project aims to create secure access for underprivileged small farmers to water—a resource previously largely reserved for large-scale producers. The objectives are to integrate sub-sector of small farmers into the commercial economy through the provision of irrigation infrastructure to permit the intensification and diversification of high-value crops, and to arrest negative health impacts and environmental degradation.





European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

SME Re-lending Project in Belarus

This project is helping solve capital shortage problems for private sector in Belarus, improving industry competitiveness, and boosting the Belorussian economy.

Taipei - EBRD Financial Intermediary Investment Special Fund

This fund enhances the development of Central Asia and Eastern Europe's private sector. With the contribution of US\$12.5 million into the "Financial Intermediary Investment Special Fund," the ICDF is engaging in various investment ventures with the EBRD in Central Asia and Eastern Europe. Currently there are four sub-projects under the fund.

Mongolia Cooperation Fund

The primary goal of the fund is to assist Mongolia in reforming its economic system and transform into a market-based economy. The fund also helps create a good investment environment that supports private sector development.

European Investment Bank (EIB)

Drinking Water Distribution Project in Petion-Ville, Haiti

This project will improve the water supply in Port-au-Prince and is divided into four parts. Lots I and II are financed by the ICDF, while the European Investment Bank is financing Lots III and IV.

Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

Belize Tourism Development Project

This project is assisting the Government of Belize in increasing employment opportunities and foreign exchange earnings from tourism in a manner which is environmentally and archeologically sustainable.

Seafood Products Processing Assistance Project in Nicaragua

The ICDF is sending specialists to help Nicaragua develop its seafood product processing industry. Also, the ICDF has provided vocational training courses to cultivate seed teachers in Nicaragua for future industry development.

Program for Modernizing the National Congress and the Office of the Comptroller General, Dominican Republic

This project is modernizing the Dominican Republic National Congress and the Office of the Comptroller General, strengthening their legislative and oversight functions. The long term goal is to strengthen democratic governance in the Dominican Republic.

Program for Environmental Pollution Control in Critical Areas of El Salvador

This project is establishing environmental pollution prevention and control systems in three critical areas: air quality, water quality and integrated solid waste management.

International Finance Corporation (IFC)

Investment and Lending Project to Micro-Credit National S.A.–Phase I

The project combines international capital, technical assistance and local financial institutions to assist Haiti in establishing a new micro-financing organization to provide commercial micro-loans. The project also helps train individuals with strong financial specialities. This program will expand access to micro-financing over a five-year period.

Pan American Health Organization (PAHO)

Food Processing Project

The PAHO is cooperating with the ICDF Technical Mission in Belize in strengthening food processing techniques, which are helping local people to improve their food preservation practices and overall diets.

Organization of American States (OAS)

Housing Solidarity Reconstruction Program in Honduras

This program is assisting hurricane victims by providing self-help construction homes. It is anticipated that the program will benefit about 2,000 families affected by the disaster. The primary objective is to build houses in higher and more secure areas. The ICDF, World Food Programme and the Government of Honduras are co-financing the project.

Housing Solidarity Reconstruction Program in Nicaragua–Phase II

This program will help 1,500 families in Nicaragua during the duration of this program and will meet the Government of Nicaragua's general post-Mitch reconstruction and poverty alleviation strategies. Beneficiaries will be trained in new construction techniques, which will help them compete in the job market after program completion.

Young Entrepreneurs Leadership Training Project

The ICDF cooperates with the Young Americans Business Trust to hold international video conferences and seminars. Taiwan's SME development experience and vocational education and training assists Latin American and Caribbean nations in designing training programs to spark economic growth, promote social stability and create employment opportunities.

World Links

Cooperation with World Links

The ICDF is cooperating with World Links in the funding and promotion of the Internet to bridge the "digital divide" in allied nations. More than 194 schools and 175,800 students are benefiting from this project.

