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2010 – Present	Victor M. Villalobos (Mexico) Current Director General
2002 – 2010	Chelston W.D. Brathwaite (Barbados) Director Emeritus
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*Promoting sustainable agricultural development
and rural prosperity*



The Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture is the specialized agency of the Inter-American System for agricultural development and the promotion of rural well-being. Founded in 1942, it has 34 Member States, with offices in each state and Headquarters in Costa Rica.



Vision

To be the leading agricultural institution in the Americas and the partner of choice by virtue of the quality of the technical cooperation it provides in response to the needs of Member States, and its contributions to sustainable agricultural development, food security and rural prosperity.

Strategic areas of cooperation

- ◆ Repositioning of Agriculture and Rural Life in Country Agendas
- ◆ Promoting Trade and Competitiveness of Agri-business
- ◆ Promoting Agricultural Health & Food Safety
- ◆ Sustainable Management of Natural Resources & Environment
- ◆ Promoting the Development of Rural Communities
- ◆ Introduction of Technology & Innovation to Modernize Agriculture and Rural Life

Member Countries

Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, The Bahamas (Commonwealth of), Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, St. Kitts and Nevis, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, the United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela. IICA currently has a permanent office in Europe in Madrid. Spain is an Associate Member of the Institute.

Mission of IICA in Jamaica

“To cooperate with the Government of Jamaica, the private sector, national, regional and international institutions in order to improve competitiveness and promote the sustainable development of agriculture in Jamaica.”

The Institute has harnessed resources and skills from within its hemispheric network as well as from among collaborating partners in Jamaica to deliver quality technical cooperation that is attuned to the needs and priorities of Jamaica’s agricultural and rural development sector.

In recent years, the Office has demonstrated expertise in guiding and providing technical assistance to producer organizations and rural community groups. As the Office looks toward the future we will utilize these core competencies to enhance our activities.

We are now focusing our efforts on promoting competitive agri-business, developing closer links between agriculture and tourism sectors and executing agricultural projects.

Also of key importance is our continued support for the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries in its drive to develop the sector. Already, we are contributing to its efforts in the areas of greenhouse technology, agricultural health and food safety and studying the true contribution of the agricultural sector.

IICA REPRESENTATIVES IN JAMAICA

2007 - 2010	Cynthia Currie (Canada)
2005 -2007	Trevor Murray (Trinidad & Tobago)
2002 - 2005	Héctor R. Barreyro (Argentina)
1998 - 2001	Chelston W.D. Brathwaite (Barbados)
1997 -1998	Enrique Reiger (Costa Rica)
1996 -1997	Thomás Mulleady (Argentina)
1989 - 1996	Armando Reyes-Pacheco (Honduras)
1986 - 1989	Jan Hurwitch McDonald (USA)
1987 - 1985	Claude Brouillard (Canada)
1978 - 1983	Percy Aitken-Soux (Bolivia)
1975 - 1977	Raul Soikes (Peru)