



partageons les connaissances au profit des communautés rurales  
sharing knowledge, improving rural livelihoods

# Support to the ACP-EU dialogue

## CTA Brussels Branch Office

# Objectives

- To raise awareness of the Centre's programmes and activities amongst the Brussels-based groups
- To increase awareness and understanding of key development issues discussed in ACP-EU context amongst CTA's programmes
- To develop relationships with other organisations which could be reflected in joint programmes and initiatives

# Target groups in Brussels

- European Commission (≠ General Directorates)
- European Parliament (≠ Committees)
- ACP Group/Secretariat (≠ sub-committees)
- EU Council of Ministers, Coreper group
- ACP-EC Joint bodies
  - Council of Ministers, Parliamentary Assembly, Committee of Ambassadors, Negotiating teams

# Target groups in Brussels

## Wider stakeholders

- International organisations represented in Brussels
- Research organisations and networks
- Bilateral organisations/bodies
- ACP regional organisations
- Negotiating teams
- Non-state actors (NGO's, private sector, farmers organisations, civil society groups)
- Media

# 2005-2006 programme

- Briefings with new actors- emphasis on ACP regional groups, European Parliament, Non State Actors (civil society)
- Strengthening e-information delivery (weblog)- <http://brussels.cta.int>
- Strengthening existing ACP-EU platforms on fisheries, agricultural products (cotton), rural groups
  - Strengthening links between farmers networks and policy-makers + research

# Activities

**Weblog** - <http://brussels.cta.int>

**Objective:** to share the information produced by the CTA Brussels office and relevant information from other groups interesting our partners in ACP countries involved in the agricultural and rural development sector

## **Content of the weblog**

- a daily updated “*News*” section
- a monthly updated “*Resources*” section which gives information on the EU, the ACP group, joint ACP-EU bodies
- A calendar on main Brussels events
- Information on programmes and activities organised by the CTA Brussels office
- A weekly news bulletin



## CTA/Brussels office

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Friday, March 25, 2005

### ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly

The Joint Parliamentary Assembly (JPA) will take place in Bamako (Mali), from 16 to 21 April 2005. The Assembly will consider the reports of its Standing Committees on:

- Progress made in achieving universal primary education and gender equality in the ACP countries in the context of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG)
- Budgetisation of the European Development Fund
- Post-conflict rehabilitation in the ACP countries

Urgent topics with resolution will cover the situation in Sudan and in the African Great Lakes Region. A debate on the consequences of the tsunami for the ACP countries will also take place.

In addition to the statements of the Commission and of the Council, the Question Time and the debates with these two institutions, the Assembly will also hold a debate on the progress of the negotiations on the Economic Partnership Agreements with Mr Peter Mandelson, Member of the Commission in charge of trade. Within the framework of the debate on the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and the Environment and in view of the adoption of a Bamako Declaration on the Millennium Development Goals, the Assembly will also listen to Mrs Evelyne Herfkens, Executive Coordinator of the United Nations Millennium Development Goals Campaign.

Attached details on the 3 standing committees and report of previous sessions.

- Committee on Political Affairs
- Committee on Economic Development, Finance and Trade
- Committee on Social Affairs and the Environment

To learn more about the JPA see weblog under ACP-EU institutions.



Link(s) :

[See details content on the 3 committees](#)



#### Search

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#### EU organisations

- EU Institutions
- EU permanent representations
- European networks

#### ACP Organisations

- ACP Institutions
- ACP Embassies

#### ACP-EU Organisations

- Cotonou Agreement
- European Development Fund
- ACP-EU Institutions

#### Other organisations

- International Organisations

#### Events calendar

| April 05 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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