



# CAFTA-DR ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION

## Fact Sheet



## THEME MARKET-BASED CONSERVATION

Under Theme  the Environmental Cooperation Program promotes activities in **ECOTOURISM** and **AGRICULTURE** to conserve natural resources for current and future income and economic growth. See below for examples of Theme  Activities. For more information, visit [www.caftadr-environment.org](http://www.caftadr-environment.org).

### ECOTOURISM



**IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**, a grant to the Damajagua River Guide Association, for a Management Plan for the 27 Charcos National Monument, and for safety, environmental and language training.

Photo : [http://www.usaid.gov/dr/docs/press\\_center/stories/nature\\_guides.html](http://www.usaid.gov/dr/docs/press_center/stories/nature_guides.html)

**IN NICARAGUA**, in La Flor Wildlife Refuge, training for young people from nearby communities in guiding, bird watching and identification of unique species, as well as English, customer service, turtle watching, kayaking and first aid. Photo: Jerry Bauer, USFS



### SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE



**IN THE REGION**, coffee certification activities emphasizing “shade-grown” cultivation; water conservation; soil, crop and waste management; wildlife protection; and good working conditions. Winning Photo, Earth Day 2010, Biodiversity and Forestry: Photo Gallery, [www.usaid.gov/gt](http://www.usaid.gov/gt)

**IN GUATEMALA**, xate palm leaf collectors in the Maya Biosphere Reserve learned to harvest by cutting only quality leaves, thereby permitting leaves to regenerate faster. Photo: © J.R. Carrera, Rainforest Alliance 2007



### PUBLICATIONS

