

CARICOM Education for Employment CAR-09

PROJECT/INITIATIVE

The CARICOM Education for Employment Program (C-EFE) was funded by the Government of Canada and managed by Colleges and Institutes Canada. The purpose of this program was to support the economic development of the Caribbean region through the strengthening of its technical and vocational education and training (TVET) system. This was achieved by building the capacity of local TVET institutions that enables them to attract, train, and graduate citizens with relevant gender and environmentally sensitive TVET skills that respond to labour market needs. Local institutions were able to create new or enhance existing programs focused on providing graduates with employability and entrepreneurship skills. As well, gender equality, governance and environmental sustainability issues were integrated into programs and into TVET leadership and instructor training programs.

CAR-09 institutional partnership with Clarence Fitzroy Bryant College (CFBC) in St Kitts and Nevis was part of the C-EFE Program. The goal of this project was the strengthening of a two-year Associate Degree Program at CFBC in Agricultural Studies. The Institutional Partnership built CBET related capacity, enabled national and regional vocational qualifications, strengthened entrepreneurship, and helped build strong relationships between CFBC and the private sector. The revised Agricultural Studies program increased employment opportunities for youth and women, ignited the spirit of enthusiasm or the drive of entrepreneurship, and it is meeting the needs of farmers, government and all other stakeholders in the agricultural sector in St Kitts and Nevis.

SERVICES PROVIDED

- Development of competency standards in this sector.
- Development of curriculum materials and lesson plans for the new program.
- Development of a PLAR tools and other ways to enhance access to the new program.
- Leadership and management capacity building.
- Competency-based education capacity building of instructors.
- Industry linkages and graduate employability and self-employability.

RESULTS ACHIEVED

The project team has successfully completed all the above activities.

NAME OF PROJECT

CARICOM Education for Employment (C-EFE)
CAR-09 Institutional Partnership – Agricultural
Studies

LOCATION

St. Kitts and Nevis

CLIENT(S) / PARTNER(S)

Clarence Fitzroy Bryant College (CFBC)

AMOUNT

\$400,000

START DATE

August 2013

END DATE

March 2016

OTHER PARTNERS INVOLVED IN

IMPLEMENTATION:

Dalhousie Faculty of Agriculture

