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### PRESS RELEASE

#### 10<sup>th</sup> Caribbean Week of Agriculture Media Briefing

9 October, 2011

You are invited to attend media briefings at the Fort Young Hotel, Roseau Dominica, at 8:30 am daily, from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2011.

The briefings will address issues being discussed at this year's Caribbean Week of Agriculture (CWA) and will allow interaction with regional and international stakeholders.

This year's theme is "**Caribbean Food and Nutrition Security in a Changing Climate – The Nature Island Experience**".

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#### BACKGROUND

Since its inception the CWA has been recognised as a facility to place agriculture and rural life in a prominent position, so key public and private sector decision makers can better acknowledge the strategic importance of the sector to economic, social and environmental stability. Most importantly it affords stakeholders the opportunity to dialogue on the challenges affecting the sector, thus enabling it to become more relevant and competitive.

Several key meetings are scheduled to take place over the week (please visit <http://cwadominica.com/programme.html> for more details). One of the highlights of the week of activities is the Trade Show and Exhibition which provides a platform for national, regional and international exhibitors to showcase and promote their products and services.

The event is held under the auspices of the Alliance, with the major collaborators being the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), the Caribbean Agricultural Research and Development Institute (CARDI), the CARICOM Secretariat, the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation ACP-EU (CTA).

The following events are being streamed via the official CWA website: [www.cwadominica.com](http://www.cwadominica.com)

- CARDI Climate Change Adaptation in Caribbean Agriculture – "Enhancing Water resources management".
- CTA/CARDI Science and Technology Advisory Group Meeting.

- CTA Agriculture Round Table – “Food and Nutrition Security Circle: Connecting the Dots”
- Alliance Meeting.
- Official Opening of CWA and Trade Expo and the “Excellence in Communicating” Agricultural Media Award.
- Careers in Agriculture Forum.
- Daily Press Briefings at 8:30 am, Fort Young Hotel.

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**Further information on the 10<sup>th</sup> Caribbean Week of Agriculture can be obtained from**  
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