



#### **Caribbean Region**

Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago.

#### **Priorities**

#### As indicated in the Joint Caribbean-EU Partnership Strategy:

- Regional Integration•

- Haiti Reconstruction•

- Climate Change and Disaster Preparedness.

- Crime and Security.

- Joint Action in Multilateral Fora.

# Top 3 Facts

Together the **EU and the Caribbean represent 43 votes out of the total 193 votes** at the United Nations;

**EU** is present in the Caribbean and has borders with Caribbean countries through the Outermost Regions (regions of EU member states which are part of the EU);

**Since 1975** the European Commission has been the largest grant donor to the Caribbean region.

# Did you know?

Can you count the number of active volcanoes in the Caribbean region?

Experts count at least 17 active volcanoes throughout the Caribbean, ncluding Martinique's Mount Pelée, which killed over 30,000 people when it erupted in 1902. Dominica has the most, with nine active volcanoes and plenty of geothermal attractions.

Which Caribbean country has the highest concentration of Mayan ruins worldwide? Belize has the most Mayan ruins per square mile of any place around. It was once the heart of the Maya civilization and dates back to somewhere between 1500 and 1800 B.C. (experts are at odds on the exact date). Today, an estimated 1,000 ruins from the empire remain.

In which Caribbean countries
were the Pirates of the Caribbean
movies filmed? Dominica, Saint Vincent,
Saint Lucia, Jamaica and the Bahamas!
Each of these five countries has
been featured in at least one of the films.

Market:

Market on the Dominican Haitian frontier supported by the EU binational programme



**ST Michael:** ST Michael's Infant School.



**Certification:**JEA and SAS.



**Dominican Republic:**The National Survey of Immigrants (funded by the Instrument for Stability) helps to structure and lift the policy debate in the country.



# 9<sup>th</sup> May Europe Day

### **Main links:**

EEAS Caribbean page:

http://eeas.europa.eu/caribbean/index\_en.htm

CARICOM:

www.caricom.org/

CARIFORUM:

www.crnm.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=276&Itemid=76

OECS:

www.oecs.org/