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1. CIAT in Focus 2004-2005: Getting a Handle on High-Value Agriculture

See the latest issue of our magazine-style annual report, *CIAT in Focus 2004-2005: Getting a Handle on High-Value Agriculture*. In this report we examine the obstacles to, and rewards of, diversifying into higher value crops or growing traditional commodities that have been transformed into money earners through value adding or sales to niche markets. We also present examples of CIAT research that is helping small farmers make the difficult transition to these alternative crops, production technologies, and markets.

<http://www.ciat.cgiar.org/newsroom/report2005.htm>

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2. New E-Learning Web Site

E-learning has tremendous potential for helping share the wealth of knowledge generated by CIAT, other CGIAR centers, and our national partners. Over the past 2 years, we have developed an e-learning approach and embarked on several initiatives in this area. Now we have created an e-learning Web site to share information on how we are applying the available methodologies, tools, and techniques in developing countries in collaboration with national universities and research institutions.

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3. CIAT in Africa Up-date

Read more about an international summer school on organic agriculture; Download the Manuals for Small-Scale Seed Producers, now available in seven languages; Consult the latest 15 issues of the CIAT in Africa Highlights Series; See the new CIAT in Africa & ERI brochures.

<http://www.ciat.cgiar.org/africa/index.htm>

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