

**WHY THE ST. CROIX AFRICAN ROOTS PROJECT SHOULD BE
INCORPORATED INTO DENMARK'S 2017 COMMEMORATION
PROGRAMME**

1. It is a multi-national, collaborative project involving Danes, Virgin Islanders and Americans at every level:
 - Leadership
 - Personnel
 - Content
 - Outreach
 - Funding
2. It has produced an unique, internationally significant, educational product - the **St. Croix Population Database 1734-1917** – that positively impacts on Danes, Virgin Islanders and Americans, as well as various European and African countries;
3. It has been praised and well received on both sides of the Atlantic. It is particularly appreciated by Virgin Islanders because it enables them to overcome long-standing disconnects to their History, their Ancestors and their African roots;
4. It has proven itself to be well managed and sustainable;
5. It has formulated a multi-year Action Plan, involving Danes and Virgin Islanders, that will enable it to expand its content and educational potentials, and to make meaningful, long-term contributions to educational, social and economic development in the Virgin Islands;
6. It has a positive demonstration effect by showing that Danes, Virgin Islanders and Americans can work together to produce mutually beneficial outcomes.