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Technical Assistance Activities by Region (2001 – 2005)

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I. Technical assistance activities by region (2001 - 2005)

1. "With the purpose of securing common and effective action to prevent the spread and introduction of pests of plants and plant products, and to promote appropriate measures for their control, the contracting parties undertake to adopt the legislative, technical and administrative measures specified in this convention ... " (Article 1 of the IPPC).
2. The IPPC Secretariat continues to play a significant role in helping countries to make the necessary adjustments described above. Over the last five years, capacity building programmes have focused on requirements for implementation of the IPPC, International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPMs) and the SPS Agreement. Countries are assisted through advisory technical services, which focus on promoting adequate phytosanitary systems for the implementation of ISPMs by addressing issues which impede implementation, and promoting market access. Among the critical areas being addressed are the modernization of legal frameworks, institutional strengthening, training in relation to ISPMs, pest surveillance to provide the basis for conducting pest risk analysis (PRA), skills training in conducting PRAs, information systems for decision making, documented procedures and laboratory facilities. In many cases, requests for assistance relate to the strengthening of national capabilities and systems for containment of newly introduced pest species, and the establishment of pest free areas in relation to a specific target pests.
3. In the last five years, the IPPC Secretariat has managed the delivery of technical assistance to developing countries of about 20 million USD from FAO-Technical Cooperation Programme funding and about 2 million USD from trust funds, direct assistance from Secretariat and other donor contributions. Furthermore, the development and application of the Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation (PCE) tool has contributed significantly in raising national awareness of the

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needs of NPPOs, contributing to national strategic plans, providing a basis for formulating unilateral trust fund and other donor funded projects and giving guidance to the delivery of technical assistance to developing countries.

4. The main capacity building activities in which the IPPC has been engaged over the last five years are summarized by region in the table attached.

Table 1

General overview of technical assistance activities by region (2001-2005)

AFRICA				
1. Projects under the Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP)				
Project	Beneficiary countries	Status	Termination	Notes
TCP/URT/8922 (T)	Tanzania	completed	2001	general capacity building
TCP/SUD/0067	Sudan	completed	2002	'
TCP/MAU/0166	Mauritania	completed	2002	'
TCP/TUN	Tunisia	completed	2003	'
TCP/KEN/0168	Kenya	completed	2003	'
TCP/NIR/0165(A)	Nigeria	completed	2004	'
TCP/ERI/2801	Eritrea	completed	2004	'
TCP/SEY/0167	Seychelles	completed	2004	'
TCP/ZAM/2904	Zambia	completed	2005	'
TCP/GAB/2901	Gabon	completed	2005	'
TCP/RAF/3003	UEMOA countries	operational	2005	'
TCP/NAM/3002	Namibia	operational	2005	phytosanitary legislation
TCP/UGA/2907	Uganda	operational	2005	general capacity building
TCP/RAF/2923	Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda	operational	2006	fruit fly containment
TCP/SWA/3003	Swaziland	operational	2006	general capacity building
TCP/RAF/3013 (A)	Regional - Africa (52 countries)	operational	2006	information exchange
	Gambia	approval phase		'
	Ethiopia	approval phase		'
	Mozambique	approval phase		'
	Algeria	approval phase		surveillance and PRA
2. Regional Workshops				
Title	Subregion	Location	Date	
Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation (PCE), ISPMs and PRA	Southern and Eastern Africa	Nairobi	25 Nov - 6 Dec 2002	
	Southern and Eastern Africa	Nairobi	15-28 Aug 2004	
Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation (PCE), ISPMs	West Africa	Senegal	9-20 Nov 2002	
Draft ISPMs	Francophone Africa	Accra, Ghana	Aug-04 Aug-05	
Draft ISPMs	Anglophone Africa	Accra, Ghana	Aug-05	
3. Projects with phytosanitary component under the Special Programme for Food Security (SPFS)				
Project	Beneficiary countries	Status	Termination	Notes
	UEMOA countries	completed	2005	PCE, ISPMs included
	UMA	re-formulation phase		phytosanitary capacity strengthening

				included
NEAR EAST				
1. TCP				
Project	Beneficiary countries	Status	Termination	Notes
TCP/OMA/2801	Oman	completed	2003	quarantine measures regarding citrus
TCP/IRA/2903	Iran	completed	2005	general capacity building
TCP/RAB/2902	Regional	completed	2005	fruit fly surveillance and containment
TCP/SYR/3001	Syria	operational	2006	general capacity building
TCP/YEM/3005	Yemen	operational	2006	'
TCP/RAB/3004	GCC (regional - 6 countries)	operational	2006	'
TCP/KYR/2902	Kyrgyzstan	operational	2006	'
	Lebanon	submitted for approval		general capacity building
2. Unilateral Trust Funds Projects (UTF)				
Project	Beneficiary countries	Status	Termination	Notes
	Bahrain	submitted for approval		phytosanitary capacity building
	Saudi Arabia	formulation phase		phytosanitary capacity building
3. Regional workshops				
Title	Subregion	Location	Date	
PCE, ISPMs and PRA	Near East	Tunisia	Sep-03	
ISPMs	Near East Near East	Cairo, Egypt Cairo, Egypt	Aug-03 Sept- 04 Aug -05	
ASIA/PACIFIC				
1. TCP				
Project	Beneficiary countries	Status	Termination	Notes
TCP/BHU/2901	Bhutan	completed	2004	general capacity building
TCP/RAS/3002	APPPC (7 countries)	operational	2006	PRA (South American leaf blight of rubber)
TCP/NEP/2903	Nepal	completed	2005	'
	Laos	approval phase	2006	general capacity building
2. Regional Workshops				
Title	Subregion	Location	Date	
PCE, ISPMs and PRA	Asia	Kuala Lumpur	Jul-04	
PCE, ISPMs, PRA	Asia	Kuala Lumpur	July- 05	
Draft ISPMs	Asia	Bangkok, Thailand	Aug- 04	
		Bangkok, Thailand	Sep-05	
Draft ISPMs	Pacific	Nadi, Fiji	Aug- 05	

		Apia, Samoa	Aug-05	
Capacity building with respect to the work programme of the IPPC and FAO technical assistance programme	Regional Plant Protection Officers, all FAO Regions	Bangkok, Thailand	Nov-05	
EUROPE				
1. TCP				
Project	Beneficiary countries	Status	Termination	Notes
TCP/EST/0165	Estonia	completed	2003	assistance for accession to EU
TCP/AZE/2901	Azerbaijan	completed	2004	general capacity building
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN				
1. TCP				
Project	Beneficiary countries	Status	Termination	Notes
TCP/RLA/0066	CARICOM	completed	2003	general capacity building
TCP/RLA/0172	Costa Rica, Panama, Belize	completed	2004	establishment of medfly free areas
TCP/SUR/2801	Suriname	completed	2004	general capacity building
TCP/RLA/2912	OIRSA countries	operational	2006	PCE, ISPMs
TCP/BZE/3003	Belize	operational	2006	SPS legislation
TCP/RLA/2920	Grenada, St Vincent, Barbados	operational	2006	fruit fly surveillance and containment
2. SPFS				
Project	Beneficiary countries	Status	Termination	Notes
	CARIFORUM	completed	2004	trade facilitation and general capacity building activities
3. Regional Workshops				
Title	Subregion	Location	Date	
PCE, ISPMs and PRA	Caribbean	St Vincent	Feb-04	
Draft ISPMs	Caribbean	St Lucia	Aug 04	
		Trinidad and Tobago	Aug-05	
Draft ISPMs	Latin America	Heredia, Costa Rica	Aug 04	
		Santiago, Chile	Aug-05	