

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

**SPS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES
(1 SEPTEMBER 1994 TO 31 DECEMBER 2008)**

Note by the Secretariat¹

Revision

1. This document provides an update of all the SPS technical assistance (TA) and training activities undertaken by the Secretariat from 1 September 1994 to 31 December 2008.
2. The main objective of SPS technical assistance and training activities undertaken by the WTO Secretariat is to increase participants' awareness about Members' rights and obligations under the SPS Agreement and its implications for national policymaking. The SPS technical assistance activities also provide an opportunity to inform participants on the discussions held and latest documents considered by the SPS Committee. In addition, participants are informed about upcoming SPS workshops and technical assistance initiatives available to their countries on SPS matters.
3. The programme and presentations are adapted to take into account specific needs identified by the countries, participants' knowledge of the Agreement, the level of development of the countries, and any specific concerns relating to the implementation of the Agreement in order to adequately respond to individual requests. SPS technical assistance and training activities typically include presentations on the basic provisions of the SPS Agreement, the transparency provisions, specific trade concerns raised at the SPS Committee, the WTO dispute settlement and SPS-related cases, and specific issues such as risk analysis, regionalization and equivalence.
4. Altogether, 177 SPS training activities have been undertaken by the WTO Secretariat from 1 September 1994 to 31 December 2008. In 2008, 19 SPS and training activities were undertaken: two regional or sub-regional workshops, 12 national seminars, four other activities and one SPS specialized trade policy course.
5. For each of these 177 events, the annexed table identifies the type of activity; the region, venue and dates; participating countries; the language used; as well as whether representatives from the FAO/WHO Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex), the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), and the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) participated in the activity. A regional workshop refers to an activity organized by the WTO in which a region or sub-region was invited to participate. A national seminar refers to an activity undertaken at the national level only. The "other" category refers to all other SPS TA and training activities that do not fall under either of the first two categories. This includes other types of SPS-specific activities organized by the WTO Secretariat as well as activities organized by Members or other bodies in which the WTO Secretariat participated. Not included in this list of TA activities, however, are the many WTO-organized workshops, seminars or courses which include sessions on the SPS Agreement among other topics.

¹ This document has been prepared under the Secretariat's own responsibility and is without prejudice to the positions of Members or to their rights or obligations under the WTO.

6. The information is organized on an annual basis and in alphabetical order based on the region where the activity was undertaken, with the more recent activities listed first. Detailed information is not available for all technical assistance activities undertaken prior to 1999.

7. SPS TA activities are organized in close collaboration with Members, the three international standard-setting organizations referred in the SPS Agreement (Codex, OIE and the IPPC), as well as with regional organizations, when appropriate. Codex has participated in 68, OIE in 65 and the IPPC in 55 regional workshops, respectively, since 1994.

8. To ensure that the officials who participate in regional activities are those with responsibilities in the food safety, animal health or plant protection area within their national administrations, the WTO normally sends invitations directly to the Codex, IPPC and OIE contact points, as well as to the SPS Enquiry Point of each of the Members invited. This practice has ensured that the participants have the technical expertise to profit from the training offered. The SPS Enquiry Point and/or Notification Authority are also normally invited to participate, and when funds permit, officials responsible for WTO trade issues more generally are also invited.

9. To meet the demands for more advanced SPS TA and training activities, a three-week SPS specialized trade policy course has been offered each year since 2004. The SPS specialized trade policy course provides in-depth and "hands-on" SPS training, where at the end of the course participants must elaborate an "Action Plan" based on identified SPS areas which can be strengthened in their countries. The implementation of the "Action Plans" is monitored after the course, and participants are invited to return to Geneva eight months after the end of the course to present the achievements reached through their "Action Plans". The next SPS Specialized Course is scheduled for October 2009, and it will be held in Spanish.

10. In addition to the above-mentioned SPS technical assistance and training activities, the WTO offers an e-learning course on the SPS Agreement. The course is offered in all three official languages of the WTO, English, French and Spanish.

11. Chart 1 below lists the breakdown of the type of activities undertaken in 2008 and Chart 2 shows the number of activities per year.

Chart 1

SPS Technical Assistance Activities 2008

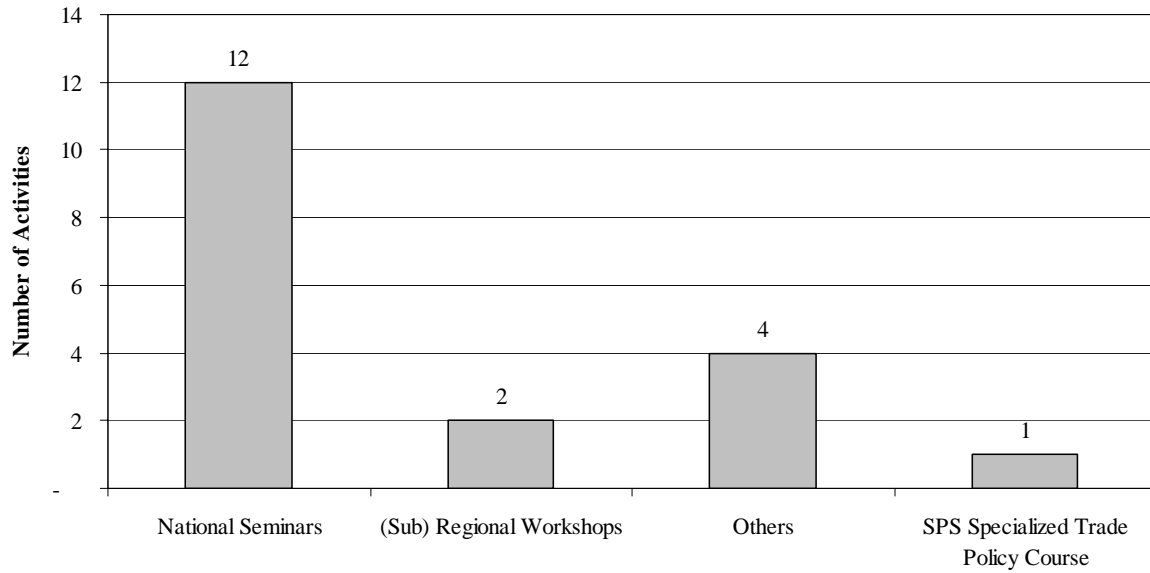


Chart 2

SPS Technical Assistance Activities per year

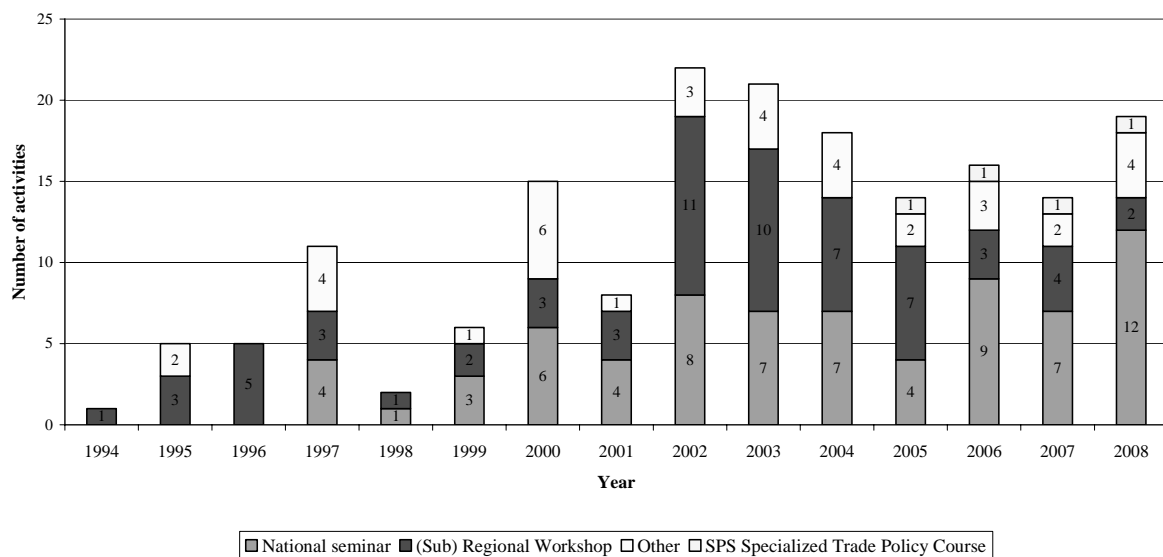
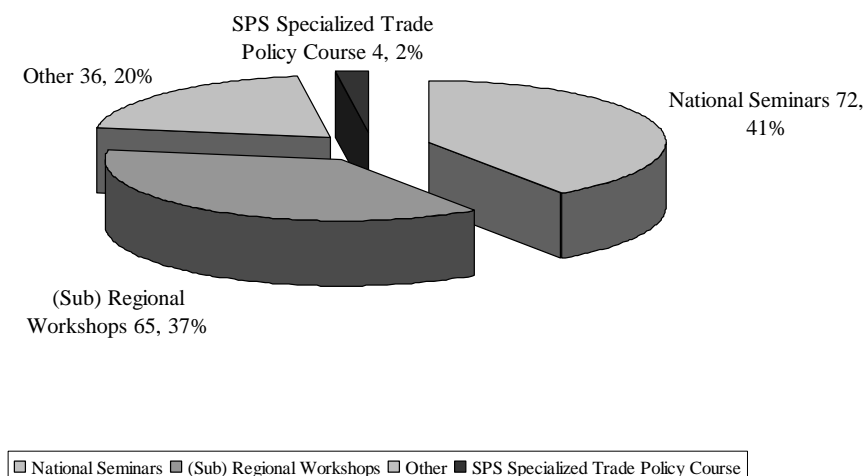


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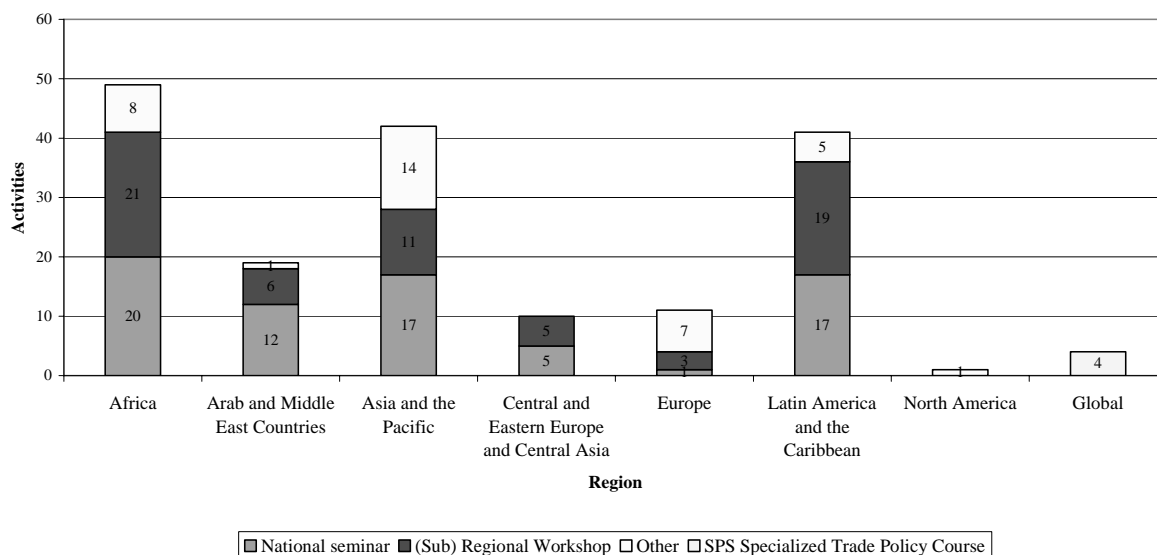
Type of SPS Technical Assistance Activities 1994-2008



12. Chart 3 presents a breakdown of the type of activity undertaken since 1994: 72 national seminars, 65 regional or sub-regional workshops, 36 "other" activities and 4 SPS specialized trade policy courses.

Chart 4

SPS Technical Assistance Activities Per Region - 2008



13. Chart 4 shows the number and type of TA activity per region and Chart 5 presents the total number of participants who have attended SPS TA and training activities per region and per type of activity. Overall, a total of 6,730 people have been given training by the WTO Secretariat on the SPS Agreement since 1994.

Chart 5

Participants per Region 1994-2008

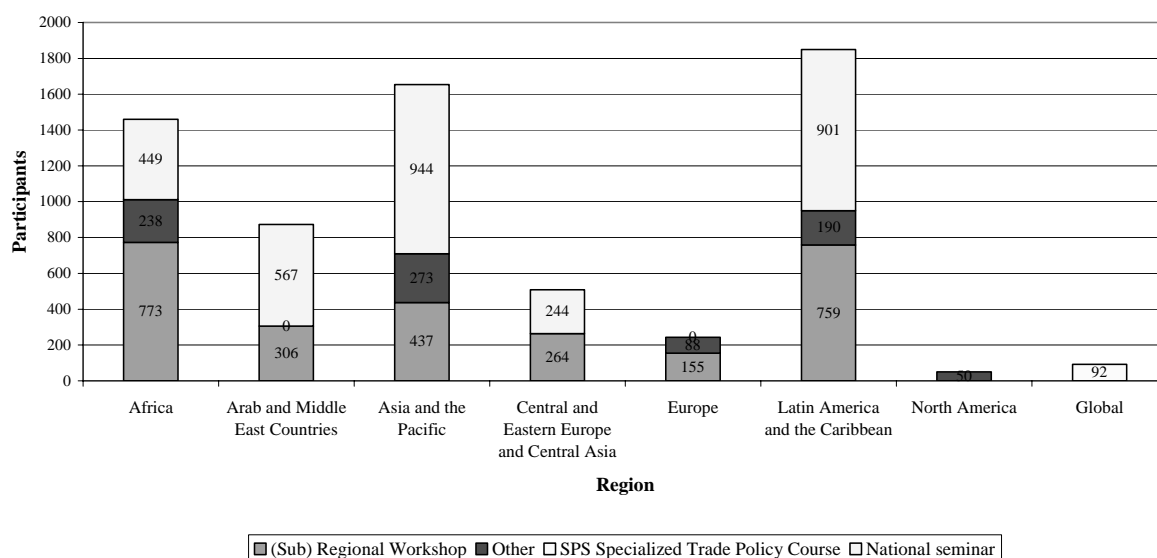
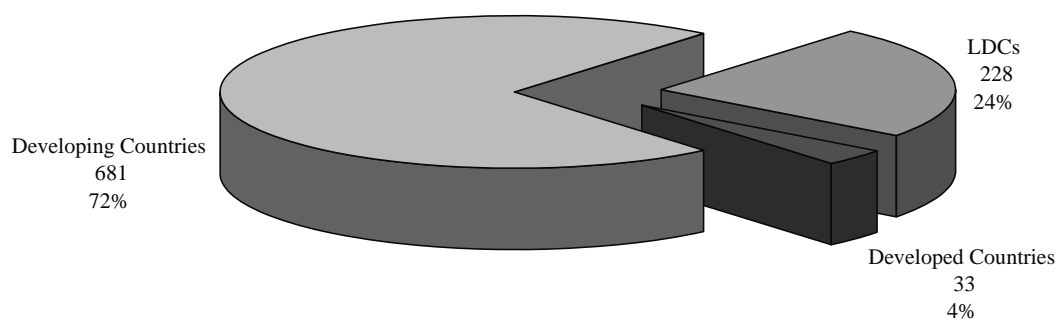


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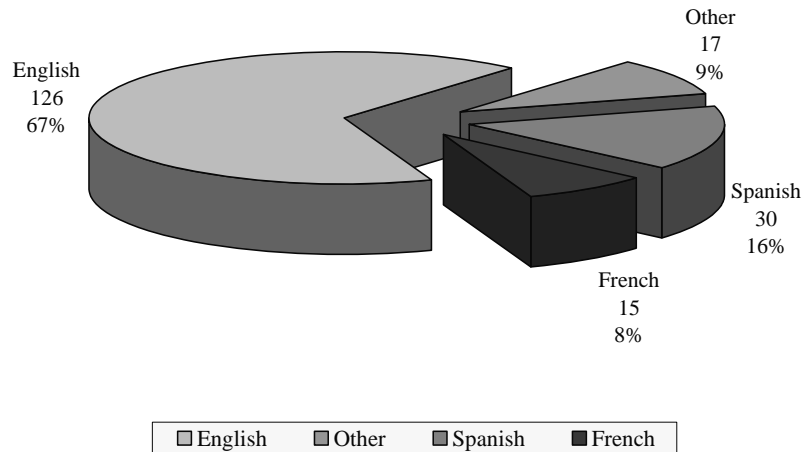
Breakdown of country participation from 1994 to 2008



14. As shown in Chart 6, 24 per cent of the beneficiaries of all SPS TA and training activities undertaken by the Secretariat have been from least-developed countries (LDCs), 72 per cent from developing countries, and 4 per cent from developed countries.

Chart 7

Language breakdown of SPS Technical Assistance activities - 1994-2008



15. Chart 7 presents the language breakdown of all SPS TA and training activities that have been undertaken. Overall, 67 per cent of activities have been conducted in English, 30 per cent in Spanish, and eight per cent in French. The remaining nine per cent have been undertaken in "other" languages than the ones mentioned above, including Arabic, Portuguese and Russian.

Annex

**SPS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES
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Year	Region	SPS TA Activity	Host Country	Location	From	To	Participating Countries			Participants	Participation of representatives from the standard-setting organizations			Language
							LDCs	Developing	Developed		Codex	OIE	IPPC	
2008	Asia and the Pacific	National seminar	China	Hangzhou and Beijing	02/12/2008	05/12/2008		China		191	No	No	No	English
2008	Asia and the Pacific	National seminar	Mongolia	Ulaanbaatar	19/11/2008	20/11/2008		Mongolia		n.a.	No	No	No	English
2008	Arab and Middle East Countries	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Qatar	Doha	18/11/2008	20/11/2008	Yemen	Bahrain, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates.		45	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2008	Asia and the Pacific	National seminar	India	New Delhi	11/11/2008	14/11/2008		India		44	No	No	No	English
2008	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	10/11/2008	11/11/2008		Vietnam		7	No	No	No	English
2008	Africa	National seminar	Mozambique	Maputo	29/10/2008	31/10/2008	Mozambique			10	No	No	No	Portuguese
2008	Global	SPS Specialized Trade Policy Course	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	29/09/2008	17/10/2008	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Lao People's Dem. Rep., Malawi, Mozambique, Samoa, Uganda, Yemen, Zambia.	Albania, Armenia, Bahrain, Belarus, Ecuador, Fiji, Honduras, Hong Kong, China, Kyrgyz Rep., Macao, China, Mongolia, Nigeria, Serbia, South Africa.		23	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2008	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Japan	Tokyo	25/09/2008	26/09/2008			Japan	16	No	No	No	English
2008	Africa	Other	Sweden	Stockholm	26/08/2008	27/08/2008				25	No	No	No	English
2008	Asia and the Pacific	National seminar	Indonesia	Jakarta	29/07/2008	01/08/2008		Indonesia		n.a.	No	No	No	English
2008	Africa	National seminar	Rwanda	Kigali	07/07/2008	08/07/2008	Rwanda			60	No	No	No	English
2008	Africa	National seminar	Burkina Faso	Ouagadougou	26/06/2008	28/06/2008	Burkina Faso			n.a.	No	No	No	French
2008	Asia and the Pacific	National seminar	Lao PDR	Vientiane	11/06/2008	12/06/2008	Lao PDR			20	No	No	No	English

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2008	Latin America and the Caribbean	National seminar	Chile	Santiago	13/05/2008	15/05/2008		Chile		77	No	No	No	Spanish
2008	Africa	National seminar	Cape Verde	Cidade da Praia	15/04/2008	17/04/2008	Cape Verde			16	No	No	No	Portuguese
2008	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Paraguay	Assuncion	22/04/2008	24/04/2008		Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay		49	Yes	Yes	Yes	Spanish
2008	Latin America and the Caribbean	National seminar	Belize	Belmopan	11/03/2008	13/03/2008		Belize		54	No	No	No	English
2008	Europe	Other	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	10/03/2008	10/03/2008		Ukraine		5	No	No	No	English
2008	Latin America and the Caribbean	National seminar	Costa Rica	San Jose	30/01/2008	31/01/2008		Costa Rica		48	No	No	No	Spanish
2007	Africa ^a	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Zambia	Lusaka	10/12/2007	12/12/2007	Ethiopia, Malawi, Rwanda, Sudan, Uganda, Zambia	Egypt, Kenya, Mauritius, Seychelles, Swaziland, Zimbabwe		62	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2007	Africa	Other	Sweden	Stockholm	03/10/2007	05/10/2007	D.R. Congo, Lesotho, Mozambique, Zambia, Tanzania	Botswana, Mauritius, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland		49	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	English
2007	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Mali	Bamako	20/02/2007	23/02/2007	Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Mauritania, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Togo	Côte d'Ivoire		45	Yes	Yes	Yes	French
2007	Africa	Other	Sweden	Stockholm	24/01/2007	26/01/2007	Burundi, Ethiopia, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia	Kenya		28	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	English
2007	Arab and Middle East Countries	National	Yemen	Sana'a	20/11/2007	21/11/2007	Yemen			64	No	No	No	English
2007	Asia and the Pacific	National	Indonesia	Jakarta	24/07/2007	25/07/2007		Indonesia		125	No	No	No	English
2007	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	India	New Delhi	24/04/2007	26/04/2007	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal	India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka		37	Yes	Yes	Yes	English

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2007	Asia and the Pacific	National	Sri Lanka	Colombo	21/03/2007	22/03/2007		Sri Lanka		26	No	No	No	English
2007	Global	SPS Specialized Trade Policy Course	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	15/10/2007	02/11/2007	Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Djibouti, Guinea, Haiti, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, Togo	Cameroon, Georgia, Morocco, Mauritius, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine		24	Yes	Yes	Yes	French
2007	Latin America and the Caribbean	National	Nicaragua	Managua	13/11/2007	15/11/2007		Nicaragua		64	No	No	No	Spanish
2007	Latin America and the Caribbean	National	El Salvador	San Salvador	25/09/2007	26/09/2007		El Salvador		45	No	No	No	Spanish
2007	Latin America and the Caribbean ^b	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Jamaica	Kingston	31/07/2007	02/08/2007	Haiti	Antigua & Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Montserrat, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago		48	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2007	Latin America and the Caribbean	National	Ecuador	Quito	06/06/2007	08/06/2007		Ecuador		37	No	No	No	Spanish
2007	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Mexico	Mexico City and Hermosillo	12/02/2007	16/02/2007		Mexico		276	No	No	No	Spanish
2006	Africa	National Seminar	Ethiopia	Addis Ababa	20/09/2006	22/09/2006	Ethiopia			52	No	Yes	No	English
2006	Africa	National Seminar	Djibouti	Djibouti	17/09/2006	20/09/2006	Djibouti			10	No	Yes	No	French
2006	Africa	National Seminar	Madagascar	Antananarivo	13/07/2006	14/07/2006	Madagascar			34	No	No	No	French
2006	Africa	National Seminar	Angola	Luanda	29/05/2006	31/05/2006	Angola			30	No	No	No	Portuguese
2006	Africa	National Seminar	Rwanda	Kigali	28/02/2006	02/03/2006	Rwanda			27	No	No	No	English

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2006	Arab and Middle East Countries	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Egypt	Cairo	12/06/2006	15/06/2006		Iraq, Libya, Syria, Yemen, Bahrain, Egypt, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates		75	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2006	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Egypt	Cairo	12/06/2006	15/06/2006		Egypt		75	No	Yes	No	English
2006	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Japan	Tokyo	30/10/2006	31/10/2006			Japan	22	No	No	No	English
2006	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Vietnam	Hanoi	10/10/2006	13/10/2006	Cambodia	Vietnam, Thailand		n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	English
2006	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Sweden	Stockholm	26/09/2006	28/09/2006	Cambodia, Laos, Nepal	Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam		31	No	No	No	English
2006	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	National Seminar	Bulgaria	Sofia	25/07/2006	26/07/2006		Bulgaria		24	No	No	No	English
2006	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Austria	Vienna	17/07/2006	19/07/2006		Belarus, Kazakhstan, Russian Federation, Ukraine, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova		22	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2006	Global	SPS Specialized Trade Policy Course	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	16/10/2006	27/10/2006	Angola, Bhutan, Lao P.D.R. Nepal, Rwanda,	Antigua and Barbuda, China, Dominica, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Russian Federation, Swaziland, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, Tonga, Zimbabwe		24	Yes	Yes	Yes	
2006	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Cuba	Havana	15/11/2006	17/11/2006		Cuba		18	No	No	No	Spanish

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							LDCs	Developing	Developed		Codex	OIE	IPPC	
2006	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Colombia	Bogotá	03/11/2006	03/11/2006		Colombia		50	Yes	Yes	Yes	Spanish
2006	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Colombia	Bogotá	30/10/2006	02/11/2006		Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela		68	Yes	Yes	Yes	Spanish
2005	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Mali	Bamako	03/10/2005	07/10/2005	Benin, Burkina Faso, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Mauritania, Mali, Senegal, Togo	Côte d'Ivoire, Nigeria		46	Yes	Yes	Yes	French
2005	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	South Africa	Johannesburg	01/08/2005	05/08/2005	Angola, Democratic Republic of Congo, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania	Botswana, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland		47	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2005	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Zambia	Lusaka	19/07/2005	22/07/2005	Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia	Botswana, Ghana, Kenya		27	Yes	No	No	English
2005	Africa	Other	South Africa	Johannesburg	21/03/2005	23/03/2005	Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia	Botswana, Egypt, Jordan, Mauritius, Morocco, Namibia, Palestine, South Africa, Swaziland, Tunisia		20	No	No	No	English
2005	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	14/11/2005	18/11/2005		Iraq		24	No	No	No	English
2005	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Australia	Melbourne	01/12/2005	01/12/2005	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	No	No	No	English
2005	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Fiji	Suva	22/11/2005	24/11/2005	Kiribati, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tuvalu, Vanuatu.	Cook Islands, Fiji, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Tonga.	n.a.	44	Yes	No	Yes	English
2005	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Thailand	Bangkok	10/10/2005	12/10/2005	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar	China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam	n.a.	59	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2005	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	India	New Delhi	17/04/2005	20/04/2005		India		75	Yes	No	No	English

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2005	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	Chinese Taipei	Taipei	29/03/2005	30/03/2005		Chinese Taipei		150	Yes	No	No	English
2005	Global	SPS Specialized Trade Policy Course	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	31/10/2005	11/11/2005	Haiti, Mozambique	Argentina, Belize, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Sao Tome and Principe, Uruguay		21	No	No	No	Spanish
2005	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Nicaragua	Managua	30/11/2005	02/12/2005		Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru		55	Yes	Yes	Yes	Spanish
2005	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Ecuador	Quito	11/09/2005	13/09/2005		Ecuador		25	No	No	No	Spanish
2005	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Jamaica	Kingston	16/02/2005	18/02/2005		Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bulgaria, Cuba, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Montserrat, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago		57	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2004	Africa	Other	Sweden	Stockholm	26/09/2004	22/10/2004	Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia	Botswana, Egypt, Morocco, Jordan, Mauritius, Namibia, Palestine, Swaziland, South Africa, Tunisia		21	No	No	No	English
2004	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Madagascar	Antananarivo	18/08/2004	20/08/2004	Burundi, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Madagascar, Rwanda	Congo		50	Yes	Yes	No	French

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							LDCs	Developing	Developed		Codex	OIE	IPPC	
2004	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Mozambique	Maputo	10/02/2004	12/02/2004	Angola, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Zambia	Botswana, Namibia, Nigeria, South Africa, Swaziland, Zimbabwe		37	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2004	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	United Arab Emirates	Dubai	25/09/2004	26/09/2004		United Arab Emirates		30	No	No	No	English
2004	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Yemen	Saana	14/09/2004	15/09/2004		Yemen		48	No	No	No	English/ Arabic
2004	Arab and Middle East Countries	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Lebanese Republic	Beirut	04/05/2004	06/05/2004	Yemen	Bahrain, Jordan, Lebanese Republic, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates		70	Yes	Yes	Yes	English/ Arabic
2004	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Australia	Melbourne	09/12/2004	09/12/2004	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	No	No	No	English
2004	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Singapore	Singapore	30/11/2004	02/12/2004	Cambodia	China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, Viet Nam		39	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2004	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	Tonga	Nuku'alofa	30/11/2004	01/12/2004		Tonga		23	No	No	No	English
2004	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Bangladesh	Dhaka	18/10/2004	20/10/2004	Bangladesh, Nepal	Sri Lanka, Pakistan		38	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2004	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	Maldives	Male	28/09/2004	29/09/2004	Maldives			25	No	No	No	English
2004	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Thailand	Chiang Mai	12/07/2004	16/07/2004	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar	Brunei Darussalam, India, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, Nepal, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam		40	Yes	Yes	No	English
2004	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	National Seminar	Turkey	Ankara	27/09/2004	29/09/2004		Turkey		100	No	No	No	English/ Turkish

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2004	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Austria	Vienna	27/07/2004	29/07/2004		Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Russia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan		29	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2004	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	National Seminar	Moldova	Chisinau	28/04/2004	30/04/2004		Moldova		60	No	No	No	English
2004	Europe	Other	Switzerland	Lausanne and Geneva	14/06/2004	18/06/2004	Maldives, Nepal, Rwanda	Egypt, Guatemala, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nigeria, Viet Nam	Switzerland	28	No	No	No	English
2004	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	São Tomé e Príncipe	São Tomé	07/09/2004	09/09/2004		São Tomé e Príncipe		25	No	No	No	Portuguese
2004	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Chile	Santiago	09/03/2004	11/03/2004		Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela		52	Yes	Yes	Yes	Spanish
2003	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Uganda	Kampala	11/11/2003	13/11/2003	Eritrea, Ethiopia, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda	Kenya		35	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2003	Africa	National Seminar	Nigeria	Abuja	08/10/2003	09/10/2003		Nigeria		30	No	No	No	English
2003	Africa	National Seminar	Gambia	Banjul	01/10/2003	02/10/2003	Gambia			20	No	No	No	English
2003	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Benin	Cotonou	14/05/2003	16/05/2003	Benin, Burkina Faso, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal, Togo	Côte d'Ivoire		45	Yes	No	No	French
2003	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Bahrain	Manama	14/10/2003	15/10/2003		Bahrain		26	No	No	No	English
2003	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Lebanese Republic	Beirut	04/09/2003	04/09/2003		Lebanese Republic		40	No	No	No	English/ Arabic
2003	Arab and Middle East Countries	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Cyprus	Nicosia	02/06/2003	04/06/2003		Cyprus, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanese Republic, Syria		36	Yes	Yes	No	English
2003	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Sri Lanka	Colombo	09/12/2003	10/12/2003	Bangladesh, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar	India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Viet Nam		n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	English
2003	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Australia	Brisbane	02/12/2003	02/12/2003	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	No	No	No	English

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2003	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Indonesia	Jakarta	05/03/2003	07/03/2003	Cambodia	Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Viet Nam		18	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2003	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Albania	Tirana	20/10/2003	23/10/2003		Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, FYR of Macedonia, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro		32	n.a.	Yes	Yes	English
2003	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	National Seminar	Kyrgyz Republic	Bishkek	30/08/2003	01/09/2003		Kyrgyz Republic		30	No	No	No	English/Russian
2003	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	National Seminar	Georgia	Tblisi	15/08/2003	17/08/2003		Georgia		30	No	No	No	English/Russian
2003	Europe	Other	Sweden	Stockholm	28/09/2003	24/10/2003	Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Malawi, Mali, Rwanda, Senegal, Uganda	Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Kenya, FYR of Macedonia, Nigeria		29	No	No	No	English
2003	Europe	Other	Sweden	Stockholm	30/04/2003	01/05/2003		Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, FYR of Macedonia, Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro		26	No	No	No	English
2003	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Saint Kitts and Nevis	Basseterre	22/07/2003	24/07/2003		Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines,		15	No	No	No	English
2003	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Uruguay	Montevideo	21/07/2003	23/07/2003		Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay		50	Yes	Yes	Yes	Spanish
2003	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Bolivia	La Paz	05/05/2003	07/05/2003		Bolivia		n.a.	No	No	No	Spanish

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2003	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Ecuador	Quito	28/04/2003	30/04/2003		Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Venezuela		41	Yes	No	Yes	Spanish
2003	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Dominican Republic	Santo Domingo	24/03/2003	26/03/2003		Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Venezuela		48	Yes	Yes	Yes	Spanish
2003	North America	Other	United States	Washington, DC	08/03/2003	09/03/2003			United States	50	No	No	No	English
2002	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Angola	Luanda	09/12/2002	11/12/2002	Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, Mozambique, Sao Tome and Principe			60	Yes	Yes	Yes	English/Portuguese
2002	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Lesotho	Maseru	02/12/2002	05/12/2002	Lesotho	Botswana, Namibia, South Africa, Zimbabwe		26	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2002	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Tunisia	Tunis	30/09/2002	01/10/2002		Algeria, Cyprus, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanese Republic, Malta, Morocco, Tunisia, Turkey		60	Yes	Yes	Yes	English/French
2002	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Zambia	Lusaka	03/06/2002	05/06/2002	Ethiopia, Malawi, Sudan, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia	Kenya, Seychelles		46	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2002	Africa	National Seminar	Mauritius	Port Louis	31/05/2002	31/05/2002		Mauritius		40	No	No	No	English
2002	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Oman	Muscat	08/04/2002	09/04/2002		Oman		30	No	No	No	English
2002	Arab and Middle East Countries	(Sub) Regional Workshop	United Arab Emirates	Dubai	03/02/2002	05/02/2002		Bahrein, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates		40	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2002	Asia and the Pacific	Other	China	Beijing	11/12/2002	12/12/2002		China, Korea, Malaysia, Thailand	New Zealand, United States	57	No	Yes	Yes	English
2002	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Australia	Brisbane	25/02/2002	01/03/2002		China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam	Australia, Japan, New Zealand	n.a.	No	No	No	English
2002	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	China	Beijing	01/02/2002	01/02/2002		China		40	No	No	No	English

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2002	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	China	Beijing	28/01/2002	30/01/2002		China		40	No	No	No	English
2002	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	China	Beijing	25/01/2002	25/01/2002		China		20	No	No	No	English
2002	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	China	Xiamen	22/01/2002	23/01/2002		China		150	No	No	No	English
2002	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Russia	Moscow	03/09/2002	05/09/2002		Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, FYR of Macedonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan		51	Yes	Yes	Yes	English/Russian
2002	Europe	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Estonia	Tallinn	05/03/2002	07/03/2002			Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania	35	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2002	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Paraguay	Asuncion	21/10/2002	22/10/2002		Paraguay		72	No	No	No	Spanish
2002	Latin America and the Caribbean	Other	Dominican Republic	n.a.	14/09/2002	20/09/2002	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	No	Yes	No	Spanish
2002	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Barbados	Bridgetown	11/09/2002	13/09/2002		Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago		37	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2002	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Panama	Panama City	03/06/2002	05/06/2002		Belize, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama		53	Yes	No	No	Spanish
2002	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Peru	Lima	27/05/2002	28/05/2002		Peru		60	No	No	No	Spanish

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2002	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Peru	Lima	22/05/2002	24/05/2002		Brazil, Chile, El Salvador, Jamaica, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru	Canada, New Zealand, United States	30	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	English
2002	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Mexico	Merida	16/05/2002	17/05/2002		China, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Chinese Taipei, Thailand Viet Nam	Australia, Japan, New Zealand, United States	50	No	No	No	English
2001	Africa	National Seminar	Kenya	Nairobi	28/08/2001	29/08/2001		Kenya		n.a.	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2001	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Cameroon	Yaoundé	05/06/2001	07/06/2001	Central African Republic, Chad, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea	Cameroon, Gabon		45	Yes	Yes	Yes	French
2001	Africa	Other	Botswana	Gaborone	05/03/2001	09/03/2001	Angola, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia	Botswana, Mauritius, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Zimbabwe		25	No	No	No	English
2001	Africa	National Seminar	Egypt	Cairo	05/02/2001	05/02/2001		Egypt		40	No	No	No	English
2001	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Egypt	Cairo	31/01/2001	31/01/2001	Mauritania, Sudan	Bahrain, Egypt, Iran, Jordan, Kuwait, Libya, Oman, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates		n.a.	No	No	No	English
2001	Africa	National Seminar	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Kinshasa	15/01/2001	19/01/2001	Democratic Republic of the Congo			40	No	No	No	English
2001	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	Chinese Taipei	Taipei	03/12/2001	06/12/2001		Chinese Taipei		n.a.	No	No	No	English

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2001	Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Iran	Tehran	05/03/2001	08/03/2001		Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, FYR of Macedonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan		130	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
2000	Africa	Other	Morocco	Casablanca	13/11/2000	13/11/2000		Morocco		n.a.	No	No	No	French
2000	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Côte d'Ivoire	Abidjan	16/05/2000	17/05/2000	Burkina Faso, Mali	Côte d'Ivoire		8	Yes	Yes	Yes	French
2000	Africa	National Seminar	Mali	Bamako	03/04/2000	07/04/2000	Mali			n.a.	No	No	No	French
2000	Africa	Other	Senegal	Dakar	24/01/2000	26/01/2000	Benin, Burkina Faso, Guinea, Mali, Niger, Senegal, Togo	Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Mauritius, Nigeria		70	Yes	Yes	Yes	French
2000	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Turkey	Ankara	21/09/2000	21/09/2000		Turkey		60	No	No	No	English/ Turkish
2000	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Jordan	Amman	05/06/2000	06/06/2000		Jordan		130	No	No	No	English
2000	Arab and Middle East Countries	Other	United Arab Emirates	Dubai	28/03/2000	29/03/2000		Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates		n.a.	Yes	No	No	English
2000	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Belarus	Minsk	14/12/2000	14/12/2000		Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan		n.a.	No	No	No	English
2000	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Philippines	Manila	20/11/2000	20/11/2000		Philippines		40	Yes	No	No	English

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2000	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Australia	Adelaide	21/02/2000	25/02/2000		Argentina, Brazil, Chile, China, Cuba, Egypt, India, Korea, Malaysia, Morocco, Nigeria, Philippines, Singapore, Swaziland, Thailand, Uruguay, Viet Nam	Canada, European Communities	60	Yes	No	No	English
2000	Europe	National Seminar	Portugal	Lisbon	n.a.	n.a.				n.a.	No	No	No	Portuguese
2000	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Panama	Panama City	17/10/2000	18/10/2000		Panama		50	Yes	No	No	Spanish
2000	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Uruguay	Montevideo	10/10/2000	11/10/2000		Argentina, Brazil, Panama, Uruguay		n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	Spanish
2000	Latin America and the Caribbean	Other	Brazil	Fortaleza	08/08/2000	10/08/2000	n.a.	Brazil	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
2000	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Cuba	La Habana	29/05/2000	30/05/2000		Cuba		n.a.	Yes	No	No	Spanish
1999	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Namibia	Windhoek	29/03/1999	01/04/1999	Angola, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia	Botswana, Mauritius, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Zimbabwe		74	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
1999	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Jordan	Amman	24/11/1999	25/11/1999		Jordan		20	No	No	No	English
1999	Arab and Middle East Countries	National Seminar	Bahrain	Manama	22/11/1999	22/11/1999		Bahrain		20	No	No	No	English
1999	Asia and the Pacific	National Seminar	Mongolia	Ulaanbaatar	16/09/1999	17/09/1999		Mongolia		15	No	No	No	English
1999	Asia and the Pacific	Other	Australia	Melbourne	25/02/1999	26/02/1999	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	English
1999	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Costa Rica	San Jose	24/02/1999	25/02/1999		Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama		26	No	No	No	Spanish

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1998	Africa	National Seminar	Uganda	Kampala	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	No	Yes	No	English
1998	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Philippines	Manila	30/06/1998	03/07/1998	Cambodia, Myanmar, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu	Fiji, Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, Chinese Taipei, Tonga, Viet Nam	New Zealand, United States	72	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
1997	Africa	National Seminar	Nigeria	Abuja	19/11/1997	20/11/1997		Nigeria		n.a.	Yes	No	No	English
1997	Africa	National Seminar	Kenya	Nairobi	24/06/1997	24/06/1997		Kenya		n.a.	No	No	No	English
1997	Africa	National Seminar	Ghana	Accra	09/06/1997	09/06/1997		Ghana		40	No	No	No	English
1997	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	India	New Delhi	30/09/1997	01/10/1997	Bangladesh, Maldives, Nepal	China, Pakistan, Sri Lanka		15	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
1997	Europe	Other	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	26/03/1997	26/03/1997	Haïti, Senegal	Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Morocco	France	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	French
1997	Europe	Other	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	12/03/1997	12/03/1997		Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela	Spain	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	Spanish
1997	Europe	Other	Switzerland	Geneva (WTO)	06/03/1997	06/03/1997		Chile, Czech Republic, Egypt, India, Mauritius, Morocco, Pakistan, Philippines, Slovenia, South Africa, Thailand	Canada, Spain, Norway	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	English
1997	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Colombia	Bogota	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	No	Yes	No	Spanish
1997	Latin America and the Caribbean	National Seminar	Venezuela	Caracas	11/12/1997	11/12/1997		Venezuela		n.a.	No	No	No	Spanish

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1997	Latin America and the Caribbean	Other	Trinidad & Tobago	Port of Spain	09/12/1997	11/12/1997	Haïti	Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Netherlands Antilles, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago		n.a.	No	Yes	No	English
1997	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Mexico	Mexico City	23/01/1997	23/01/1997	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	English
1996	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Egypt	Cairo	18/12/1996	19/12/1996		Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Morocco, Tunisia		60	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
1996	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Zimbabwe	Harare	18/11/1996	22/11/1996	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	Yes	No	No	English
1996	Arab and Middle East Countries	(Sub) Regional Workshop	United Arab Emirates	Dubai	15/12/1996	16/12/1996	Yemen	Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates		40	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
1996	Europe	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Russia	Moscow	09/07/1996	10/07/1996		Belarus, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine		80	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
1996	Europe	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Czech Republic	Prague	28/03/1996	29/03/1996		Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, FYR of Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia	United States	40	Yes	Yes	Yes	English/ Czech
1995	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Pretoria	South Africa	07/11/1995	08/11/1995	Lesotho, Zambia	Kenya, Mauritius, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zimbabwe	United States	n.a.	Yes	Yes	Yes	English
1995	Africa	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Senegal	Dakar	02/11/1995	03/11/1995	Burkina Faso, Mali, Senegal			n.a.	Yes	Yes	Yes	French/ English

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1995	Latin America and the Caribbean	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Mexico	Mexico City	01/05/1996	01/05/1996		Argentina, Barbados, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Saint Lucia, Uruguay, Venezuela	Canada, United States	80	Yes	Yes	Yes	English/Spanish
1995	Latin America and the Caribbean	Other	Honduras	Tegucigalpa	30/11/1995	01/12/1995		Honduras		40	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	Spanish
1995	Latin America and the Caribbean	Other	Colombia	Bogota	19/07/1995	19/07/1995		Colombia		150	No	Yes	No	English
1994	Asia and the Pacific	(Sub) Regional Workshop	Thailand	Bangkok	08/11/1994	09/11/1994		Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, South Korea, Thailand		55	Yes	Yes	Yes	English

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a Also invited: Eritrea and Libya.

b Also invited: Bahamas.