

Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

UPDATE ON THE OPERATION OF THE STANDARDS AND TRADE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY

Note by the Secretariat¹

I. OVERVIEW

1. The Standards and Trade Development Facility (STDF) is a global programme in sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) capacity building and technical cooperation established by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), the World Bank, the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Trade Organization (WTO). Other organizations - including the International Trade Centre (ITC), the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) – as well as donors and developing countries also participate in the Facility.²

2. The STDF has two main aims:

- to assist developing countries enhance their expertise and capacity to analyze and implement international SPS standards, improving their human, animal and plant health situation, and thus ability to gain and maintain market access; and
- to act as a vehicle for awareness raising on the importance of SPS issues, coordination among technical cooperation providers, the mobilization of funds, the exchange of experience and the dissemination of good practice in relation to the provision and receipt of SPS-related technical cooperation.

3. This document provides an overview of STDF activities since the previous SPS Committee meeting in March 2010 in the following three areas of its Operating Plan (2010-11): (i) coordination and information dissemination; (ii) project development; and (iii) project funding.

II. COORDINATION AND INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

4. Prior to the STDF Working Group meeting on 2 July 2010, the STDF will organize a technical working meeting on SPS indicators on 1 July, in collaboration with the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). The purpose of the meeting will be to facilitate an in-depth examination and discussion of a joint STDF/OECD working paper on the development and application of indicators to measure the performance of national SPS systems (based on the logical framework's *output-outcome-impact* model) and, in particular, of a set of preliminary indicators proposed. The emphasis is on SPS indicators at the country (*macro*) level, which can be used to track

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² More detailed information on the STDF and its activities can be found on the STDF website (<http://www.standardsfacility.org>).

and measure performance of the entire SPS system in a country over time. In addition to the STDF Working Group, the STDF has invited a limited number of technical experts to participate in the meeting. Some delegates in the SPS Committee with expertise in this particular area of work have also registered for this event.

5. The STDF/OECD working paper - including the set of preliminary indicators - is a "work-in-progress". Based on discussions at the technical working meeting, as well as subsequent pilot testing activities in selected countries in the second half of 2010 and in 2011, this document will be finalized and published as a guide for the development and application of SPS indicators. The STDF/OECD work in this area builds on previous joint work on Good Practice in SPS-Related Technical Cooperation in 2007-08 and is a direct response to demands for more rigorous monitoring and evaluation of technical cooperation in general, and in the SPS area in particular. It will feed into and support other planned work by the STDF on SPS action planning and the use of economic analysis to inform SPS decision-making. It also contributes to ongoing efforts by the OECD's DAC Secretariat and the WTO to monitor the impact of Aid for Trade by focusing on monitoring and evaluation of assistance at an operational, issue-specific level.

6. On 4-6 October 2010, the STDF will organize a workshop on public/private partnerships (PPPs) in the SPS area in The Hague, The Netherlands, in collaboration with the Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality (LNV) and the World Bank. The workshop will present examples of PPPs in which the public and private sector collaborate to reach common SPS-related objectives. It will aim to foster dialogue across the public and private sector on the policy considerations and implementation issues related to such partnerships, considering common challenges, innovations and good practices. The two-day workshop will be followed by a site visit on 6 October 2010, when participants will have an opportunity to visit importing facilities for food and agricultural products at the Port of Rotterdam.

7. The STDF Secretariat is currently identifying concrete examples of SPS-related PPPs, which could be presented at the workshop. These partnerships (ongoing or completed) may involve national or local government agencies and international or domestic companies in activities to strengthen SPS capacity and enhance market access. If you know of such PPPs, please send the following information by e-mail to STDFSecretariat@wto.org by 16 July 2010:

- Objectives and scope of the SPS-related partnership (i.e. objectives, focus, activities, geographic area, etc.);
- Names of the public and private sector organizations and any other stakeholders involved; and
- Contact person (name, e-mail address, telephone) for follow-up.

8. Limited funds will be available to enable a selected number of individuals from developing countries – who provide relevant information on SPS-related PPPs – to attend this workshop. The workshop will be held in English only. More information about this event will shortly be available on the STDF website.

9. In the second half of 2010, the STDF Secretariat will initiate a project to pilot test economic analysis methodologies in selected countries as a means to develop practical tools to support the use of economic analysis in SPS-related decision making. This work will build on the STDF workshop on this topic in Geneva on 30 October 2009, which raised awareness about, and provided a general introduction to, the use of economic analysis methodologies in the SPS area, notably how they can be

used to inform decision-making and enhance resource allocation.³ Several participants from developing countries expressed further interest in this work and a desire to learn how economic analysis methodologies could be used in the SPS area. Institutions and/or countries that are interested to become involved in this pilot initiative are encouraged to contact the STDF Secretariat (STDFSecretariat@wto.org) by 30 July 2010.

10. A new STDF briefing note, issued in March 2010, presents the key findings and messages of STDF consultation work in the Greater Mekong Sub-Region (GMS) in the context of Aid for Trade and provides an overview of recent SPS technical assistance programmes in the GMS. STDF briefing notes are reader-friendly publications which aim to disseminate information, experiences and good practices that emerge from STDF's coordination and capacity building activities. Each number provides the reader with a quick overview on a specific STDF initiative, including the main findings, key messages, recommendations and lessons learned. All briefing notes are available on the STDF website.

11. In March 2010, the STDF launched a new STDF electronic distribution service. SPS officials who wish to receive by e-mail the latest STDF publications (including the STDF newsletter) and be informed about current and planned STDF activities can register for this service through the "WTO news service" (<http://icd.wto.org/member/register.aspx?l=e>), and by selecting the subject: "Standards and Trade Development Facility (STDF)". Since March 2010, several improvements have also been made to the STDF website, both in terms of content and design. The revised website will be presented to the STDF Working Group in July and launched shortly afterwards.

12. Finally, the STDF participated in and contributed to various internal and external meetings and events since the last SPS Committee meeting in March 2010. The Secretariat reported on its operations to the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM5) in March 2010, the OIE General Session in May 2010, and will report on its operations to the Codex Alimentarius Commission in July 2010.

III. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

13. Project preparation grants (PPGs) are a key mechanism in STDF programme development and help overcome constraints faced by developing countries in the articulation of their needs. They also assist in ensuring synergies with other on-going initiatives, in particular Aid for Trade and the EIF, and in the mobilization of funds to implement activities. A total of 40 PPGs have been approved and funded by the STDF since its inception.

14. At the STDF Working Group meeting on 19 March 2010, two PPGs were approved:

- **STDF/PPG/316** – Strengthening phytosanitary inspection and diagnostic services in Azerbaijan
- **STDF/PPG/324** – Needs assessment and strategy to develop Liberia's SPS system

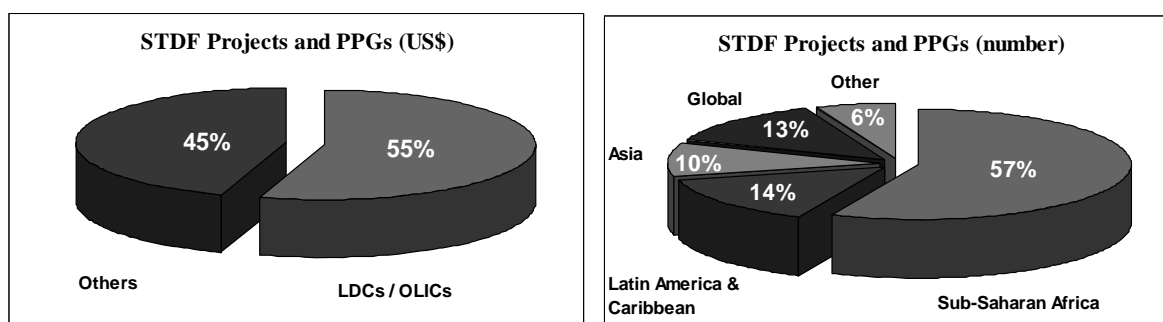
³ More information on the workshop, including the presentations and *Guidelines on the Use of Economic Analysis to Inform SPS-related Decision-Making* is available on the STDF website. The findings and conclusions from the workshop are summarized in STDF briefing note No. 3 (December 2009).

IV. PROJECT FUNDING

15. A total of 43 projects have been approved for STDF funding since its inception. On 19 March, the STDF Working Group approved three new projects for funding:

- *STDF/PG/284* – Strengthening the National SPS Committee in Honduras
- *STDF/PG/302* – Support to the cabbage sector in the Niayes Region of Senegal
- *STDF/PG/318* – National program for the monitoring and integral management of contaminants in export products in Ecuador

16. An overview of the current status of STDF projects and PPGs is provided in the Annex. Since its inception, the STDF has devoted 55 per cent of project resources to Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Other Low Income Countries (OLICs), as shown in Figure 1 below.⁴ Figure 2 indicates that 57 per cent of the number of STDF projects and PPGs has gone to Sub-Saharan Africa, 14 per cent to Latin America and the Caribbean, and 10 per cent to Asia. In addition, 13 per cent of STDF projects and PPGs can be classified as global, and 6 per cent as other.



17. Applications for STDF funding can be made at any point in the year but should be received at least 60 working days in advance of each Working Group meeting in order to be considered at that meeting. The next deadline for the submission of applications is 30 July 2010.

18. All funding applications should use the revised STDF application forms for projects and PPGs. A new "Guidance Note for Applicants" is also available on the STDF website. This note provides information on the types of funding available, eligibility criteria and other requirements, as well as the application and review process. It aims to inform and guide applicants and should be read carefully by anyone interested in submitting an application for STDF funding.

⁴ The STDF aims to devote at least 40 per cent of Facility project resources to LDCs and OLICs.

ANNEX

IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF STDF PROJECTS AND PROJECT PREPARATION GRANTS

STATUS OF APPROVED PROJECTS

(a) Projects awaiting contracting

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/172	Expanding exports of sesame seeds and sheanut/ butter through improved SPS capacity building for private and public sector	Identify critical control points and factors along the Nigerian shea nut production chain and develop predictive models for aflatoxin production and fungal growth, pesticide residues and other contaminants	Nigeria	Nigeria Export Promotion Council (NEPC)	10-Dec-09	TBC	TBC	\$339,240
STDF/PG/284	Strengthening the National SPS Committee of Honduras	Strengthen the National SPS Committee of Honduras, further support the implementation of the National SPS Agenda (developed by the Committee) and consolidate and develop institutional SPS capacities	Honduras	Organismo Internacional Regional de Sanidad Agropecuaria (OIRSA)	19-Mar-10	01-Jul-10	30-Jun-12	\$267,580
STDF/PG/300	Develop a combined e-learning curriculum and web-based information system for food standards	Develop a combined e-Learning curriculum and information system on food standards as a contribution to up-grading the quality infrastructure in developing countries	Ghana	TBC	10-Dec-09	TBC	TBC	\$242,798

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/302	Support to the cabbage sector in the Niayes Region of Senegal	Increase the production of cabbage and hence exports to the sub-region by controlling the spread and impact of two specific pests and assisting producers in meeting the Maximum Residue Limit established by Codex	Senegal	Senegal's Horticulture Union of the Niayes region (AUMN)	19-Mar-10	TBC	TBC	\$273,895
STDF/PG/318	National program for the monitoring and integral management of contaminants in export product	Establish a comprehensive program to control residues of pesticides and mycotoxins and implement this program for two pilot exportable products	Ecuador	IICA	19-Mar-10	TBC	TBC	\$431,710

TBC: To be confirmed

(b) Ongoing projects

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/048	Improving shea and cashew nut production in Benin through the application of good agricultural practice	Apply good agricultural practices to overcome problems of mycotoxin contamination in shea and cashew nut production	Benin	CRA-Agonkanmey (Centre de Recherches Agricoles d'Agonkanmey)	07-Nov-07	01-Jun-08	Oct-10	\$455,575
STDF/PG/062	Strengthening food safety in Cameroon	Reactivate a national committee on food safety and train public and private sector stakeholders in Cameroon	Cameroon	FAO	07-Nov-07	01-Sep-08	30-Aug-10	\$445,964

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/065	Develop a private/public safety control system for the horticultural export sector in Guinea	Assist the public and private sector to meet official and commercial standards for fruit and vegetable exports through development of a safety control system. Project developed based on IF DTIS report	Guinea	UNCTAD	06-Sep-05	01-Dec-05	30-Jun-10	\$530,300
STDF/PG/108	Developing institutional capacity of countries in the Americas to participate in the SPS Committee	Promote more active and effective participation in SPS Committee through a regional review of SPS compliance structures and practices	Latin America & Caribbean	IICA	16-Oct-06	01-Oct-07	31-Jul-10	\$575,588
STDF/PG/116	Development and implementation of a traceability system in the livestock sector in Costa Rica	Develop a sustainable traceability system in the livestock sector which facilitates the management of information related to agricultural units and epidemiological events	Costa Rica	IICA	10-Oct-08	01-Mar-09	28-Feb-11	\$455,220
STDF/PG/126	Establish the Horticulture Development Council of Tanzania	Assist the Tanzanian horticulture sector to address SPS issues	Tanzania	Tanzania Horticulture Association (TAHA)	26-Jun-08	01-Jul-09	28-Feb-11	\$253,755
STDF/PG/127	SPS information system in Benin	Improve information flows on SPS requirements, particularly in the private sector in Benin	Benin	Benin Chamber of Commerce	07-Nov-07	01-Sep-08	28-Feb-11	\$359,790
STDF/PG/134	Capacity building to improve fish trade performance of selected West African countries	Improve knowledge and awareness of SPS issues in the fisheries sector in five West African countries	Benin, Mauritania, Senegal, Sierra Leone and The Gambia	FAO	02-Mar-07	01-Jun-08	30-Jun-10	\$469,000
STDF/PG/155	Nicaragua market oriented training service on market application of SPS	Establish SPS professional training units, to develop training manuals, quality and good process controls for pilot products	Nicaragua	IICA	10-Oct-08	01-Jun-10	31-May-12	\$519,439

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/170	Strengthening the capacity of government SPS officials in Nepal	Train government officials on implementation of SPS measures. Project based on IF DTIS	Nepal	FAO	02-Mar-07	01-Apr-08	31-Jul-10	\$347,900
STDF/PG/171	Centre of Phytosanitary Excellence (COPE)	Build phytosanitary capacity and increase market access through the establishment of an East African Phytosanitary Centre	Kenya and East Africa	CABI (Centre for Agricultural Bioscience International)	07-Nov-07	26-May-08	30-Nov-10	\$699,375
STDF/PG/230	Establishment of Pest Free Areas for Lethal Yellowing Disease (LYD) in Coconuts in Mozambique	Build phytosanitary capacity to implement international standards to manage LYD in palms and thereby expand market access for coconuts	Mozambique	FAO	26-Jun-08	01-Jul-09	28-Feb-11	\$326,528
STDF/PG/238	Development of accredited HACCP certification schemes for processed food products	Implement accredited inspection and certificates for Good Manufacturing Practices and HACCP recognized by the competent authorities	Guatemala	AGEXPORT	27-Feb-09	01-Feb-10	30-Jan-11	\$398,225
STDF/PG/246	Development of SPS Action Plan for Cambodia	Identify actions to be taken to enhance the SPS system in Cambodia	Cambodia	FAO	26-Jun-08	20-Apr-09	19-Apr-10	\$178,000
STDF/PG/259	Strengthening Vietnamese SPS Capacities for Trade	Strengthen Vietnamese SPS capacities for trade by improving safety and quality for fresh vegetables through the value chain approach	Viet Nam	FAO/Fruit and Vegetable Research Institute	26-Jun-09	01-Mar-10	29-Feb-12	\$476,580
STDF/PG/283	Support for SPS risk assessment in the mango export sector	Improve Mali's capacity to comply with international and private SPS standards in the mango sector	Mali	Agence National de la Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments (ANSSA)	10-Dec-09	15-May-10	15-May-12	\$423,400

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/287	Information sharing initiative on the actions to control fruit flies in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA)	Facilitate the publication of a newsletter on fruit fly control in SSA which will feature on-going initiatives and inform about technical advances in the area	Sub-Saharan Africa	COLEACP (Comité de Liaison Europe-Afrique-Caraïbes-Pacifique pour la Promotion des Exportations horticoles ACP)	27-Feb-09	01-Jun-09	30-Apr-11	\$82,800
STDF/PG/313	Continuation of the West African Fruit Fly Initiative (WAFFI) in 2010	Continue and deepen the regional sensitization and training work in eight countries in the sub-region	West Africa	CIRAD (Centre de Coopération Internationale en Recherche Agronomique pour le Développement)	10-Dec-09	01-Apr-10	31-Mar-11	\$499,537

(c) Completed projects

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/005	STDF Database	Establish a database covering the period 2001-03 to: i) help reduce duplication and gaps in activities; and ii) track SPS-related technical assistance flows and trends	Global	S&H Switzerland	01-Jun-03	01-Jul-03	01-Dec-05	\$45,100

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/009	Model programme for developing food standards within a risk analysis framework	Strengthen capacity of low income countries in the Asia Pacific Region to develop food standards based on international requirements and participate in Codex	Asia Pacific countries	FAO	01-Nov-03	01-Mar-05	01-Sep-06	\$70,848
STDF/PG/010	Support to pilot activities for national implementation of the International Portal on Food Safety, Animal and Plant Health in Turkey and Uganda	Establish national windows for IPFSAPH through training and the development of a handbook	Turkey and Uganda	FAO	01-Nov-03	01-Mar-05	01-Sep-06	\$59,400
STDF/PG/013	Development of Regional Action Plans to Enhance Veterinary Capacity in East and West Africa	Develop regional strategies to strengthen veterinary capacity in East and West Africa with emphasis on improved surveillance, reporting, control and implementation of international standards	Mali, Ethiopia and Djibouti	OIE	01-Sep-04	01-Oct-06	31-Jul-08	\$305,000
STDF/PG/014	Evaluation of capacity of national veterinary services	Develop a veterinary capacity evaluation tool based on the IICA Performance Vision Strategy document	Latin America & Caribbean	OIE	01-Nov-03	01-May-04	01-May-06	\$39,960
STDF/PG/015	Expanding SPS capacities at national and regional levels	Develop a training programme and core group of trainers to deliver training for veterinary officials	OIE delegates from Mali, Thailand, Egypt, CIS and Latin America.	OIE	01-Sep-04	01-Sep-04	01-Dec-07	\$130,614
STDF/PG/019	Model arrangements for SPS stakeholder involvement at the national level	Improve SPS-related information flows and information sharing between the public and private sector with positive spin-offs for market access	Sri Lanka and Paraguay	Abt Associates Inc.	01-Sep-04	01-Dec-04	01-Apr-07	\$291,218

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/020	Country-based plans for SPS-related development	Carry out baseline studies of SPS capacity and apply cost-benefit analysis to examine returns on investment in terms of foreign trade and an improved SPS situation	Peru and Uganda	Agra Ceas Consulting Ltd.	01-Nov-03	01-Nov-04	01-Mar-07	\$170,862
STDF/PG/037	Assistance to developing countries in the implementation of International Standard for Phytosanitary Measure (ISPM) 15	Train officials on implementation of ISPM 15 (Guidelines for regulating wood packaging material in international trade) to ensure minimal trade disruptions	171 Delegates (79 countries and 6 regional organizations) attended workshop	IPPC, FAO	01-Sep-04	01-Nov-04	01-Mar-06	\$332,000
STDF/PG/056	Capacity building to enhance implementation of the Codex Alimentarius Code of Practice on animal feeding	Strengthen implementation of good animal feeding practices and good manufacturing practices through development of training manuals, regional workshops in Africa, Latin America and Asia and country-level training	Feed industry in developing countries	IFIF (International Feed Industry Federation)	09-Mar-05	01-Jun-05	01-Nov-06	\$150,000
STDF/PG/069	Improved capacity to ensure safety and quality of Yemeni seafood products	Assist the Yemeni Seafood Exporter's Association (YSEA) to improve the quality and safety of Yemeni seafood products	Yemen	YSEA (Yemeni Seafood Exporters Association)	29-Jun-07	01-Aug-07	31-Dec-09	\$398,750
STDF/PG/079	Quality information on SPS issues – a prerequisite for capacity building	Improve the sharing of information on Codex, OIE and IPPC standards (and supporting scientific evaluations) through the International Portal on Food Safety, Animal and Plant Health (IPSAPH)	Developing countries	FAO	06-Sep-05	01-Apr-06	30-Jun-09	\$435,185
STDF/PG/089	International Plant Health Risk Analysis Workshop	Enhance expertise and capacity of countries and NPPOs to conduct pest risk analysis (PRA)	29 Officials from developing and least developed countries	FAO	06-Sep-05	01-Oct-05	01-May-07	\$147,000

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/114	Effective aflatoxin management system in Brazil nut production	Recover and consolidate export market access through implementation of an effective system to reduce aflatoxin contamination in the Brazil nut production chain	Brazil (Peru and Bolivia)	CIRAD (Centre de Coopération Internationale en Recherche Agronomique pour le Développement)	03-Feb-06	01-Jun-06	30-Nov-08	\$619,664
STDF/PG/120	Risk analysis and risk assessment training in India	Enhance knowledge and skills of Indian officials on risk analysis and risk assessment procedures	India	*Manfred Luetzow, Regulatory Affairs Services GmbH *David Wilson * Canadian Food Inspection Agency	03-Feb-06	01-Nov-06	31-Oct-07	\$95,060
STDF/PG/133	Building capacity to use the Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation (PCE) Tool in the Pacific	Train National Plant Protection Organizations (NPPOs) in the South Pacific to evaluate their services using the PCE tool	South Pacific Forum Members	Secretariat of the Pacific Community	16-Oct-06	01-Aug-07	31-Dec-09	\$179,000
STDF/PG/145	Rwanda Horticulture Export Standards Initiative (RHESI)	Increase Rwanda's exports of fruit, vegetables and flowers in international and regional markets	Rwanda	Michigan State University (MSU)	08-Jun-06	01-May-07	30-May-09	\$526,647
STDF/PG/146	Strengthening phytosanitary controls in Mali (with a focus on mango exports)	Expand international market access for fresh produce from Mali through improved phytosanitary control capacity. Project based on IF DTIS	Mali	Ministry of Trade (IF management unit) and FAO	08-Jun-06	01-Jan-07	28-Feb-10	\$518,800

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/173	Assessing capacity building needs of food control systems in developing APEC Member Economies	Train food safety regulators from developing member economies in Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) using FAO's food safety capacity evaluation tools	APEC countries	FSANZ (Food Standards Australia New Zealand)	02-Mar-07	01-Aug-07	30-Apr-09	\$97,500
STDF/PG/255	Regional initiative on the fight against fruit flies in West Africa	Conduct tests in pilot mango orchards using different fruit fly control and other Integrated Pest Management techniques to monitor and control fruit fly populations in 8 pilot countries	Benin, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Guinea, Ivory Coast, Mali, Senegal, The Gambia.	CIRAD (Centre de Coopération Internationale en Recherche Agronomique pour le Développement)	10-Oct-08	01-Apr-09	31-Mar-10	\$279,620

STATUS OF APPROVED PROJECT PREPARATION GRANTS (PPGs)

(a) PPGs awaiting contracting

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PPG/316	Strengthening phytosanitary inspection and diagnostic services in Azerbaijan	Strengthen the capacity of pre-border quarantine inspection points, notably through the provision of laboratory equipment and training of laboratory staff	Azerbaijan	TBC	19-Mar-10	TBC	TBC	\$30,000
STDF/PPG/324	Needs assessment and strategy for the development of Liberia's SPS system	Re-define Liberia's SPS framework by streamlining the number of ministries responsible for standards-related issues to a single national competent authority	Liberia	TBC	19-Mar-10	05-Jul-10	30-Sep-10	\$30,000

TBC: To be confirmed

(b) PPGs currently being implemented

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PPG/165	Improving SPS controls in fruit production in Madagascar.	Assist Madagascar to establish pest-free places of production	Madagascar	CTHA (Centre Technique Horticole d'Antananarivo)	07-Nov-07	01-Feb-08	Upon approval	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/232	A phytosanitary capacity building strategy for Africa	Improve phytosanitary capacity in African countries through the development and implementation of a phytosanitary capacity building strategy	Cameroon and other African countries	CABI (Centre for Agricultural Bioscience International)	26-Jun-08	01-Dec-08	Upon approval	\$29,000
STDF/PPG/262	Strengthening veterinary services and promoting market access of animal products from Sahel countries to North African markets	Review a regional strategy to strengthen veterinary services	Mali, Niger, Burkina Faso	CILSS (Comité permanent inter-etats de lutte contre la sécheresse dans le Sahel)	27-Feb-09	01-Dec-09	31-Mar-10	\$19,600
STDF/PPG/268	Harmonization of the legal, regulatory and institutional framework for an SPS control management system	Strengthen SPS-related legislation and improve the institutional management system	Tanzania	Natural Resources Institute (NRI)/ University of Greenwich John Eric Orchard	10-Oct-08	01-May-09	Upon approval	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/298	Capacity building programme on pesticide residues and other harmful substances in cocoa in Africa	Assist cocoa-producing countries in Africa to produce cocoa that meets the food safety requirements of the EU, the USA and Japan	Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Nigeria and Togo	International Cocoa Organization	26-Jun-09	12-Oct-09	31-Mar-10	\$30,000
STDF/PPG/303	Project preparation grant to conduct a total diet study for Sub-Saharan Africa	Elaborate a manual describing a methodology to conduct a regional TDS to evaluate the risks of chemical contamination of food	Sub-Saharan Africa	Centre Pasteur du Cameroun	26-Jun-09	12-Oct-09	31-Mar-11	\$20,000

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PPG/305	Institutionalising SPS for agricultural health and food safety systems in Africa	Conduct a scoping study to inform and assess the necessity of further action needed in the SPS area at the level of the AUC and the Regional Economic Communities	African Union	João Manuel GA de Magalhães	26-Jun-09	01-Oct-09	Upon approval	\$30,000
STDF/PPG/309	Technical assistance to the Ministry of Trade and Industry to assist in the preparation of a project to build the SPS management system	Assist the Government in evaluating its bio-security situation through the application of the bio-security capacity evaluation tool developed by FAO	Guinea Bissau	Olivier Bertin-Mahieux	10-Dec-09	15-Mar-10	30-Jun-10	\$30,000

(c) Completed PPGs resulting in a project funded by the STDF

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PPG/062	Develop a project proposal to strengthen SPS capacity in Cameroon	Apply the FAO/WHO "Guidelines to Assess Capacity Building Needs in Official Food Control Systems"	Cameroon	Jean Claude Cheftel, University of Montpellier	01-Sep-04	09-May-05	31-Jul-05	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/065	Strengthen SPS capacity in Guinea	Develop a project proposal that builds on the UNCTAD evaluation of costs of compliance in the tropical fruit sector (based on IF DTIS)	Guinea	UNCTAD	09-Mar-05	01-Jun-05	26-Aug-05	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/069	Develop a project proposal to strengthen SPS capacity in Yemen	Conduct a survey of SPS issues in the fisheries sector and project design (based on IF DTIS)	Yemen	Tim Huntington	09-Mar-05	01-Oct-05	19-Nov-05	\$19,700
STDF/PPG/088	Strengthening SPS human resource capacity	Conduct evaluation of the training needs of Nepal's SPS authorities and design a training programme	Nepal	FAO	06-Sep-05	01-Jan-07	27-Mar-07	\$20,000

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STDF/PPG/102	SPS constraints and export diversification project preparation grant	Enhance SPS capacity in the fruit and vegetable sector	Mali	Malika Bounfour	06-Sep-05	15-Mar-06	31-May-06	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/103	Rwanda Horticulture Export Standards Initiative (RHESI)	Enhance SPS capacity in the fruit and vegetable sector	Rwanda	Michigan State University (MSU)	06-Sep-05	15-Feb-06	01-May-06	\$22,000
STDF/PPG/116	Establishment of a traceability system for the livestock sector in Costa Rica	Assist in the development of the animal health directorate's National Epidemiological Surveillance Programme by introducing a traceability system for livestock farms	Costa Rica	Emilio Leon	03-Feb-06	01-May-07	15-Oct-07	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/126	Assistance to establish a horticulture industry organization in Tanzania	Develop a business plan and facilitate the establishment of a horticulture association in Tanzania	Tanzania	Tanzania Horticulture Association (TAHA)	03-Feb-06	15-Jul-06	30-Sep-06	\$5,500
STDF/PPG/127	Strengthening the capacity of the Benin Chamber of Commerce to track SPS-related development in exports markets	Establish an information centre within the Benin Chamber of Commerce to ensure that firms are aware of SPS measures affecting their existing or planned exports	Benin	Stefan Skrzypczak	08-Jun-06	20-Nov-06	28-Feb-07	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/155	Nicaragua market-oriented training service on standards application	Survey Nicaragua's SPS requirements in the plant health sector to improve export competitiveness	Nicaragua	Michigan State University (MSU)	16-Oct-06	01-Mar-07	30-Oct-07	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/171	Centre of Phytosanitary Excellence (COPE)	Revise a project document to establish a Phytosanitary Centre of Excellence in Kenya. If funded the project would address issues raised in the IF DTIS reports for Uganda, Tanzania and Rwanda	Kenya	Ralf Lopian	02-Mar-07	15-Apr-07	30-Nov-07	\$20,000

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STDF/PPG/172	Expanding Nigeria's food exports through enhanced SPS capacity	Enhance Nigeria's capacity in the SPS area and improve the country's ability to export high-value food products	Nigeria	CARANA Corporation	02-Mar-07	01-Nov-07	31-Mar-08	\$25,000
STDF/PPG/302	Support the competitiveness of cabbage in the Niayes region	Improve the quality of cabbage by putting in place systems which will follow GAP schemes, facilitate traceability and HACCP	Senegal	Olivier Bertin-Mahieux	26-Jun-09	01-Oct-09	31-Dec-09	\$25,631

(d) Completed PPGs resulting in a project funded or seeking funding from other sources

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STDF/PPG/052	Post-harvest contamination in Malawi and Zambia	Develop a project proposal to address post-harvest contamination problems in the paprika and groundnut sectors in Malawi and Zambia (based on IF DTIS)	Malawi and Zambia	Gordon Shephard	09-Mar-05	15-Feb-07	15-Aug-07	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/066	Develop a project proposal to strengthen SPS capacity in Mozambique	Develop a project proposal that builds on the UNCTAD evaluation of costs of compliance in the tropical fruit sector. (based on IF DTIS)	Mozambique	UNCTAD	09-Mar-05	23-May-05	26-Aug-05	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/100	Strengthening the national food control system for the fisheries sector in Cape Verde	Assist the fish processing sector in Cape Verde to comply with international food safety standards	Cape Verde	WTO	29-Jun-07	07-Dec-06	31-Jan-07	\$27,737

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STDF/PPG/105	OIE STDF project on the implementation of compartmentalization for avian influenza and Newcastle disease in the poultry sector	Design a demonstration project on how to apply compartmentalization	Brazil and Thailand	OIE	29-Jun-07	22-Feb-08	01-Oct-08	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/113	Survey of food safety needs in Burundi	Apply the FAO/WHO "Guidelines to Assess Capacity Building Needs in Official Food Control Systems" to survey the food safety situation in Burundi and develop a trade-related project proposal	Burundi	WTO/ Burundi Standards Bureau Mohammed Majdi	03-Feb-06	01-Sep-06	30-Nov-06	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/191	Enhancing Sierra Leone's national SPS capacity	Design a national SPS framework	Sierra Leone	CARANA Corporation	29-Jun-07	01-Jan-08	31-Jul-08	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/221	Improving the competitiveness of suppliers in Burkina Faso's national, regional and international markets	Identify specific SPS issues and constraints affecting sesame production and exports and develop a project proposal to overcome these constraints and improve market access	Burkina Faso	Tidiane Traore	04-Apr-08	10-Jan-09	30-Apr-09	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/223	Strengthening the official food control programme to support an emerging food business sector	Assess requirements to strengthen official food controls, standards and food inspection based on specific priority commodities identified in the World Bank Action Plan and develop a proposal for follow-up	Moldova	Enrico Casadei	04-Apr-08	20-Jul-08	31-Oct-08	\$21,765
STDF/PPG/234	Design of Lao P.D.R Good Agricultural Practice scheme	Create institutional infrastructure to ensure market access for agricultural products from Lao PDR	Lao PDR	Andrew Wilson	26-Jun-08	18-Aug-08	16-Jan-09	\$18,410

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STDF/PPG/242	Elaboration of SPS needs expressed in the IF DTIS of Comoros	Assess SPS human resource and infrastructure needs based on the IF DTIS and formulate a project proposal to improve the competitiveness of the litchi and lobster sectors	Comoros	Chokri Damergi	26-Jun-08	01-Feb-09	30-Apr-09	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/286	Accessing new ornamental plant market by reducing phytosanitary issues through participatory research and extension: the Clean Stock Programme in Costa Rica	Reduce the phytosanitary risk of exporting 5 varieties of ornamental plants in order to maintain access to the US market	Costa Rica	CATIE (Centro Agronómico Tropical de Investigación y Enseñanza of Costa Rica)	27-Feb-09	15-May-09	31-Dec-09	\$30,000

(e) Completed PPGs which have not been approved for funding

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PPG/038	Agricultural Health and Food Safety Laboratory Needs Assessment for CARICOM Countries	Survey laboratory capacity in CARICOM to develop a project to assist in development of a regional strategy on laboratory infrastructure	Caribbean	CARICOM	01-Sep-04	11-Oct-05	01-Jun-06	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/046	Implementation of Codex standards (WHO Africa)	Assist WHO Africa to develop a project proposal to support selected African countries to implement Codex standards	Benin and Tanzania	Kenza Le Mentec J. Claude Cheftel	03-Feb-06	01-Aug-06	31-Aug-07	\$19,000
STDF/PPG/061	Strengthening SPS capacity in Cambodia	Conduct fieldwork in Cambodia to develop a project proposal	Cambodia	Digby Gascoine	09-Mar-05	24-Apr-05	22-Jul-05	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/063	Quality control for agricultural products in Benin	Apply the FAO/WHO "Guidelines to Assess Capacity Building Needs in Official Food Control Systems"	Benin	Lois C. Laleye	09-Mar-05	15-Jun-05	31-Jul-05	\$20,000

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STDF/PPG/064	Strengthen SPS capacity in Djibouti	Conduct field research and design of project in the livestock sector in Djibouti (based IF DTIS)	Djibouti	Greg Sullivan	09-Mar-05	25-May-05	01-Aug-05	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/101	Capacity evaluation of national food control system in Eritrea	Apply FAO/WHO "Guidelines to Assess Capacity Building Needs in Official Food Control Systems" and design a project proposal	Eritrea	Arpad Ambrus	06-Sep-05	05-Jan-06	31-Mar-06	\$28,690