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#### UPDATE ON THE OPERATION OF THE STANDARDS AND TRADE DEVELOPMENT FACILITY

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#### I. OVERVIEW

1. The Standards and Trade Development Facility (STDF) aims to improve capacity in developing countries to meet international sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) requirements and to increase the effectiveness of high-quality SPS-related technical cooperation. In doing so, the STDF contributes to improved food safety, animal and plant health, economic growth, poverty reduction and food security in developing countries. Its work programme focuses on the following five output areas: (i) development of high-quality tools and information resources to support SPS capacity building for use by beneficiaries, donors and other organizations; (ii) dissemination of experiences and good practices in SPS capacity building; (iii) SPS issues and priorities addressed by other trade capacity building programmes at the country level; (iv) improved capacity of beneficiaries of STDF projects to analyse and implement international SPS requirements; and (v) improved capacity of beneficiaries to identify SPS needs and formulate project proposals.

2. The STDF is a joint initiative of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), the World Bank, the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Trade Organization (WTO). The WTO provides the secretariat for the STDF. Other participating organizations include the International Trade Centre (ITC), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). Representatives of donors to the STDF and representatives of developing countries, including LDCs, are also members of the Facility.<sup>2</sup>

3. This document provides an overview of STDF activities in support of its work programme since the previous SPS Committee meeting on 20-21 October 2010, as well as an overview of past and on-going STDF projects and project preparation grants.

#### II. OVERVIEW OF STDF ACTIVITIES

A. SPS INDICATORS

4. The STDF, in collaboration with the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), prepared a third revision of the draft Technical Working Paper on indicators to measure the performance of national SPS systems. This document – and the provisional set of indicators proposed - is a work-in-progress and reflects discussions at the STDF / OECD technical working meeting (Geneva, 1 July 2010), as well as other comments received, and is available at

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

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<u>http://www.standardsfacility.org/TASPSindicators.htm</u>. To further advance this work, in 2011-12, the STDF plans to pilot test a set of preliminary indicators to measure the performance of national SPS systems, based on the logframe's intervention logic, in selected developing countries.

#### B. PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

5. In 2010, the STDF initiated new work on Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) in the SPS area, a topic of increasing interest to many stakeholders in the SPS community. This work included an international workshop in The Hague on 4-5 October 2010, organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality of The Netherlands (LNV) and the World Bank Institute (WBI), on the potential role and value of PPPs in facilitating agricultural development and market access, with a focus on PPPs in support of SPS capacity and co-regulatory approaches. An STDF Briefing (N° 6, November 2010) was produced in English, French and Spanish summarizing the main findings and conclusions of the workshop and is available at http://www.standardsfacility.org/IRBriefings.htm. In addition, a desk study on PPPs focused on SPS capacity building and co-regulatory approaches is under preparation and will be available soon at http://www.standardsfacility.org/TAPPP.htm.

#### C. ECONOMIC ANALYSIS TO INFORM SPS DECISION-MAKING

6. The STDF continued its work on the use of economic analysis to inform SPS decision making and resource allocation, building on the STDF workshop on this topic held in October 2009. A consultant, Spencer Henson, recently developed a framework to apply the "Multi Criteria Decision Analysis" (MCDA) approach in the SPS context. This framework will be pilot tested in 2011 in three countries in Africa (Malawi, Mozambique and Zambia), one in Asia and one in Latin America (countries to be selected) in order to refine the methodology and develop a set of practical tools for staff of authorities responsible for food safety, animal and plant health, and trade. These will include a manual on the MCDA framework, as well as training materials on its application for use by developing country experts. Following the pilot testing exercise at the country level, three regional training workshops will be organized to equip SPS experts in each region with knowledge and skills to apply the MCDA methodology. The first regional workshop is tentatively planned for August 2011 in Johannesburg, South Africa.

#### D. REGIONAL SPS FRAMEWORKS AND STRATEGIES IN AFRICA

The STDF prepared and disseminated the results of a scoping study on regional SPS 7. frameworks and strategies in Africa. The study concludes, inter alia, that there is potential for the African Union Commission (AUC) and Regional Economic Communities (RECs) to play a coordinating role in SPS issues at the regional/sub-regional level. However, certain conditions must be in place, notably: (i) increased SPS capacity, including core SPS staff, in the AUC and RECs; (ii) high-level national support for the work of the AUC/RECs and commitment of national institutions to regional coordination; and (iii) clarity and consensus on SPS capacity needs and priorities, based on consultation with all concerned public and private stakeholders. The STDF had informal meetings with the AUC and the RECs on the margins of the EU-funded Better Training for Safer Food (BTSF) initiative in October and November 2010 to discuss how to take forward the recommendations full report in the report. The is available at http://www.standardsfacility.org/Files/Publications/STDF Regional SPS Stategies in Africa.pdf.

8. In addition, the STDF will shortly publish a study on national SPS coordination mechanisms in Africa, based on desk research and a series of meetings with stakeholders in a number of countries including Burkina Faso, Namibia, Tanzania and Uganda. The study will analyse existing SPS coordination mechanisms in a number of countries in Africa and propose a set of practical guidelines to inform the future establishment of such mechanisms and enhance national-level SPS coordination.

#### E. STDF FILM

9. The STDF initiated the production of Arabic, Chinese and Russian versions of the "Trading Safely" film (both the 30 minute and eight minute versions), with the financial support of the Safe Supply of Affordable Food Everywhere (SSAFE) Initiative. This new material will soon be available at <a href="http://www.standardsfacility.org/IRVideos.htm">http://www.standardsfacility.org/IRVideos.htm</a>.

#### F. PARTICIPATION IN OTHER INITIATIVES

10. The STDF continued efforts to draw attention to the Facility as an example of "Aid for Trade in action" (at an issue-specific level) and to highlight the impact that SPS measures can have on the ability of developing countries to gain and/or maintain market access. This included participation in Aid for Trade events, including the Aid for Trade Ministerial for the Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (SPECA) in Baku, Azerbaijan, in December 2010, and the Regional Aid-for-Trade Forum for the Caribbean in Bridgetown, Barbados in January 2011. On the margins of the Ministerial meeting in Baku, an SPS side-event was organized in collaboration with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). More information on this side event is available at <a href="http://www.standardsfacility.org/TAAidForTrade.htm">http://www.standardsfacility.org/TAAidForTrade.htm</a>.

11. The STDF actively encouraged its partners, donors, observers and other organizations to submit SPS-related case stories for consideration as part of the 3rd Global Aid for Trade Review, which will focus on monitoring and evaluation, on 18-19 July 2011 in Geneva. The STDF also submitted case stories on its own work, in particular related to SPS indicators, economic analysis and public-private partnerships.

12. The STDF continued its collaboration with the Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF) in the preparation, validation and update of Diagnostic Trade Integration Studies (DTIS) and project development. This included participation in two regional workshops organized by the EIF. The first workshop was for Central and West African Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Haiti, held from 8-10 December 2010 in Bamako, Mali., The second workshop was for Eastern and Southern African LDCs, from 15-17 February 2011, in Maseru, Lesotho. The need to clearly articulate trade-related priorities in national development strategies, improve monitoring and demonstrate the results of trade-related assistance on economic growth and poverty reduction were among the key issues discussed. For more information see <a href="http://www.enhancedif.org/">http://www.enhancedif.org/</a>.

13. The STDF also participated in a successful pilot training workshop on project design and logical frameworks, which was organized jointly with the EIF in Kathmandu, Nepal, in March 2011. This training activity, conducted by the Centre for International Development and Training (CIDT) of the University of Wolverhampton, United Kingdom, will be replicated in selected LDCs in 2011 in an effort to improve the overall quality and "ownership" of trade-related project proposals. The STDF will participate in these pilot trainings to assist selected public and private sector SPS officials in designing SPS-related projects. Resulting proposals for funding may be submitted for consideration by the EIF, the STDF or an external donor.

14. The STDF participated in and contributed to various internal and external meetings and events since the last SPS Committee meeting in October 2010. These included the Expert Group Meeting and Conference "Strengthening Responsible Business and Good Governance in Africa" in Brussels, Belgium (16-17 November 2010), the Better Training for Safer Food (BTSF) High Level Conference in Brussels, Belgium (18-19 November 2010), regional WTO SPS seminars for Latin America in Lima, Peru (2-5 November 2010) and for Asian and Pacific Countries in Colombo, Sri Lanka, (23-26 November 2010), the OIE Global Conference on Veterinary Legislation in Djerba, Tunisia (7-9 December 2010) and the FAO/WHO Regional Coordinating Committee for Africa (CCAFRICA) in Accra, Ghana (1-4 February 2011).

#### III. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

15. 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 45 PPGs have been approved and funded by the STDF since its inception.

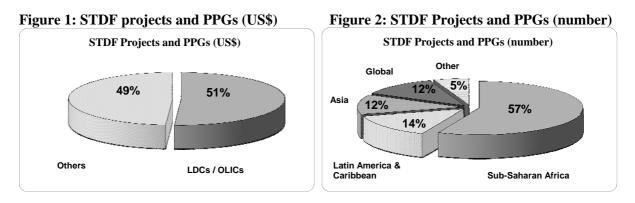
- 16. At the STDF Working Group meeting on 22 October 2010, three PPGs were approved:
  - *STDF/PPG/308* Developing an SPS action plan for the Central African Republic;
  - *STDF/PPG/329* Support to Public and Private Sector for SPS Implementation in Nepal; and
  - *STDF/PPG/335* Strengthening the capacity for phytosanitary controls in the floriculture sector in Uganda.

#### IV. PROJECT FUNDING

17. A total of 47 projects have been approved for STDF funding since its inception. In October 2010, the STDF Working Group approved one new project for funding:

• *STDF/PG/309* – Strengthening SPS capacity in Guinea-Bissau.

18. An overview of the current status of all STDF projects and PPGs benefiting LDCs is provided in Annex I. Since its inception, the STDF has devoted 51 per cent of project resources to LDCs and Other Low Income Countries (OLICs), as shown in Figure 1 below. Hence, the STDF continues to meet its target to devote at least 40 per cent of Facility project resources to LDCs and OLICs. 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 12 per cent to Asia. In addition, 12 per cent of STDF projects and PPGs can be classified as global.



19. 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 <u>8 April 2011</u>. Applicants are strongly encouraged to read the "Guidance Note for Applicants" available on the STDF website.

## 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/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/309	Strengthening SPS capacity in Guinea- Bissau	Strengthening SPS capacity of technical services at national and regional level and updating SPS- related legislation	Guinea Bissau	EIF Project Implementation Unit	22-Oct-10	TBC	TBC	\$274,300

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	15-Oct-10	\$455,575

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
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	31-Dec-10	\$445,964
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	ΠCΑ	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/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
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	01-Oct-10	30-Sep-12	\$324,240
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	31-Jul-11	\$326,528

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
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-12	\$398,225
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 (FAVRI)	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
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	\$257,580
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

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PG/298	SPS capacity building in Africa to mitigate the harmful effects of pesticide residues in cocoa and to maintain market access	Build SPS capacity in Africa to produce good quality cocoa that complies with the relevant international regulations and legislation on pesticide residues and other harmful substances	Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Nigeria, Togo	International Cocoa Organization	02-Jul-10	01-Jan-11	31-Dec-12	\$593,460
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	University of Cape Coast (UCC)	10-Dec-09	01-Dec-10	30-Nov-12	\$262,246
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
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	01-Dec-10	30-Nov-12	\$400,455
STDF/PG/319	Strengthening the Food Safety Risk Assessment Unit in Colombia	Elaborate the functioning procedures of the Unit, establish its work programme and create a network of risk assessors to conduct future risk analyses	Colombia	IICA	02-Jul-10	01-Feb-11	31-Jan-13	\$401,500
STDF/PG/326	A Southeast Asian partnership to build trade capacity for fresh and processed fruit and vegetable products	Develop a competency-based education and training platform for selected value chains and provide customized training using a combination of face-to- face instruction and e-learning	Thailand, Vietnam	Michigan State University (MSU)	02-Jul-10	01-Jan-11	31-Dec-12	\$581,665

## (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
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

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
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
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/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/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

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
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
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	ΠCΑ	16-Oct-06	01-Oct-07	31-Jul-10	\$575,588
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

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
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/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
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/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/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	30-Jul-10	\$178,000
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)

### (d) PPGs awaiting contracting

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PPG/308	Developing an SPS	Develop an SPS Action Plan for	Central African	TBC	22-Oct-10	TBC	TBC	\$30,000
	action plan for the	the CAR to enable the country to	Republic					
	Central African Republic	maximize its participation in the	-					
	(CAR)	multilateral trading system						
		through the protection of						
		consumers from food safety risks,						
		animal and plant health						

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# (e) PPGs currently being implemented

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PPG/232	A phytosanitary capacity	Improve phytosanitary capacity	Cameroon and	CABI (Centre	26-Jun-08	01-Dec-08	Upon	\$29,000
	building strategy for	in African countries through the	other African	for			approval	
	Africa	development and implementation	countries	Agricultural				
		of a phytosanitary capacity		Bioscience				
		building strategy		International)				
STDF/PPG/303	Project preparation grant	Elaborate a manual describing a	Sub-Saharan	Centre Pasteur	26-Jun-09	12-Oct-09	31-Mar-11	\$20,000
	to conduct a total diet	methodology to conduct a	Africa	du Cameroun				
	study for Sub-Saharan	regional TDS to evaluate the						
	Africa	risks of chemical contamination						
		of food						
STDF/PPG/316	Strengthening	Strengthen the capacity of pre-	Azerbaijan	IPPC/FAO	19-Mar-10	01-Dec-10	31-May-11	\$30,000
	phytosanitary inspection	border quarantine inspection						
	and diagnostic services in	points, notably through the						
	Azerbaijan	provision of laboratory						
		equipment and training of						
		laboratory staff						

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STDF/PPG/323	Enhancing the Safety and Quality of Agricultural Products in Senegal	Develop a project proposal to addresses the issue of pest surveillance and application of good agriculture practices to enhance Senegal's potential of horticultural exports	Senegal	IPPC/FAO	02-Jul-10	01-Mar-11	31-Aug-11	\$30,000
STDF/PPG/329	Support to Public and Private Sector for SPS Implementation in Nepal	Develop a project to strengthen SPS capacity in the public and private sector in Nepal, as a means to increase agri-food exports and reduce the import/entry of low quality products	Nepal	TBC	22-Oct-10	01-Mar-11	Upon approval	\$30,000
STDF/PPG/335	Strengthening the capacity for phytosanitary controls in the floriculture sector in Uganda	Develop a national surveillance programme to monitor and control pests affecting the sector in order to maintain and further enhance market access	Uganda	Hubertus Stoetzer	22-Oct-10	07-Feb-11	06-Aug-11	\$30,000

# (f) 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	Apply the FAO/WHO "Guidelines to Assess Capacity Building Needs in Official Food	Cameroon	Jean Claude Cheftel, University of	01-Sep-04	09-May-05	31-Jul-05	\$20,000
STDF/PPG/065	Cameroon Strengthen SPS capacity in Guinea	Control Systems" Develop a project proposal that builds on the UNCTAD evaluation of costs of compliance in the tropical fruit sector (based on IF DTIS)	Guinea	Montpellier 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

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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
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/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/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
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
STDF/PPG/328	Developing trade opportunities: an integrated systems approach for Pest Risk Management	Develop a transparent, mutually- agreed framework for considering the reduction of risk achieved by phytosanitary measures	Malaysia	Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine (ICL)	02-Jul-10	06-Aug-10	20-Mar-11	\$30,000

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

Ref. No.	Title	Objective	Beneficiary	Implementing entity/ person	Approval date	Start Date	End Date	Budget (US\$)
STDF/PPG/052	Post-harvest	Develop a project proposal to	Malawi and	Gordon	09-Mar-05	15-Feb-07	15-Aug-07	\$20,000
	contamination in Malawi	address post-harvest	Zambia	Shephard				
	and Zambia	contamination problems in the						
		paprika and groundnut sectors in						
		Malawi and Zambia (based on IF						
		DTIS)						

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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
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/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/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

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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	\$23,265
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
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/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-états de lutte contre la sécheresse dans le Sahel)	27-Feb-09	01-Dec-09	31-Jul-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/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

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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	Londa Van der Wal	19-Mar-10	01-Jul-10	30-Sep-10	\$30,000

# (h) 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
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

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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