

A global partnership in SPS capacity building and technical cooperation



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Analysis to Inform SPS Decision-making

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STDF mandate

- increase SPS awareness, mobilize resources, strengthen collaboration, identify and disseminate good practice; and
- support and funding for development and implementation of projects that promote compliance with international SPS requirements

Our vision: Improved SPS capacity supports sustainable economic growth, poverty reduction, food security and environmental protection

Value added

- Network and reference point for SPS coordination and good practice.
- Expertise and skills of STDF partners, donors, developing country experts, observers and beneficiaries.
- Linkages to SPS Committee, Aid for Trade, Enhanced Integrated Framework, other SPS-related programmes, etc.

Members

- Founding partners (FAO, OIE, WB, WHO, WTO)
- Selected developing country experts (6)
- Donors (13)
- Observers (e.g. ITC, UNIDO)

Operations

- Medium Term Strategy (2012-16)
- Policy Committee
- Working Group
- Secretariat
- Annual budget (target): US\$5 million

Developing country experts from Asia

Davinio P. Catbagan

Animal health expert
The Philippines



Sidney Suma

Plant health expert
Papua New Guinea



Other developing country experts

- Delilah Cabb, SPS Enquiry Point, Belize (Central America)
- Guilherme Antônio da Costa Júnior, Brazil
- Martha Byanyima, Uganda
- Nagat El Tayeb, Sudan

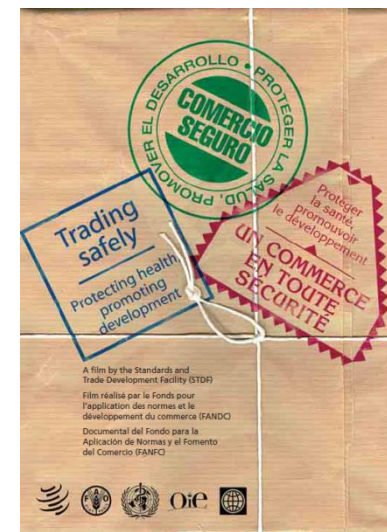
Strategic results

- Enhanced collaboration on SPS-related technical cooperation.
- Improved capacity of beneficiaries to identify and prioritize SPS needs and formulate project proposals that are able to secure funding from STDF or external funding sources.
- Improved performance of beneficiaries of STDF-funded projects.

Examples of our work

SPS advocacy and information exchange

- “Trading safely” film
- Briefings
- E-mail list, e-newsletters
- Virtual library



Virtual Library - online access to SPS documents



Thematic events on the linkages between SPS and other topics

- International trade and invasive alien species (2012)
- Public-private partnerships in support of SPS capacity (2010)
- SPS risks and climate change (2009)
- Using economic analysis to inform SPS decision-making (2009)
- Good practice in SPS technical cooperation (2008)

Action-oriented research and support to SPS decision-makers

- Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis (MCDA) to rank SPS priorities
- Public-private partnerships in support of SPS capacity
- Regional SPS frameworks and strategies in Africa
- National SPS coordination mechanisms
- Pilot training / guidelines on project design and formulation (with the Enhanced Integrated Framework)
- Links between SPS and trade facilitation (2013)

Work on SPS and Trade Facilitation

- To raise awareness about the need for improved coordination among food safety, animal / plant health authorities, customs, etc.
- To identify key needs, opportunities and good practices to effectively engage SPS authorities in coordinated border management.
- Targeted at SPS authorities, customs and other border agencies.

Scope of work

- Joint research with regional institutions in Africa, Asia & Pacific, and Latin America & Caribbean to identify and analyse how SPS authorities are involved in coordinated border management.
- Synthesis study on experiences, lessons, good practices and recommendations.
- Dissemination and discussions of the findings.

Key questions

- How are SPS authorities working with customs and other border agencies (nationally and regionally)?
- What are the key drivers and challenges?
- What innovative approaches and tools are being used and what are the experiences?
- What is the role of private sector, regional institutions and development partners?
- What are the priorities for change?

Grants for project development

- Application of capacity evaluation / prioritization tools
- Feasibility studies
- Project development
- Grants \leq US\$50,000
- Synergies with other initiatives
- Mobilizing donor funds



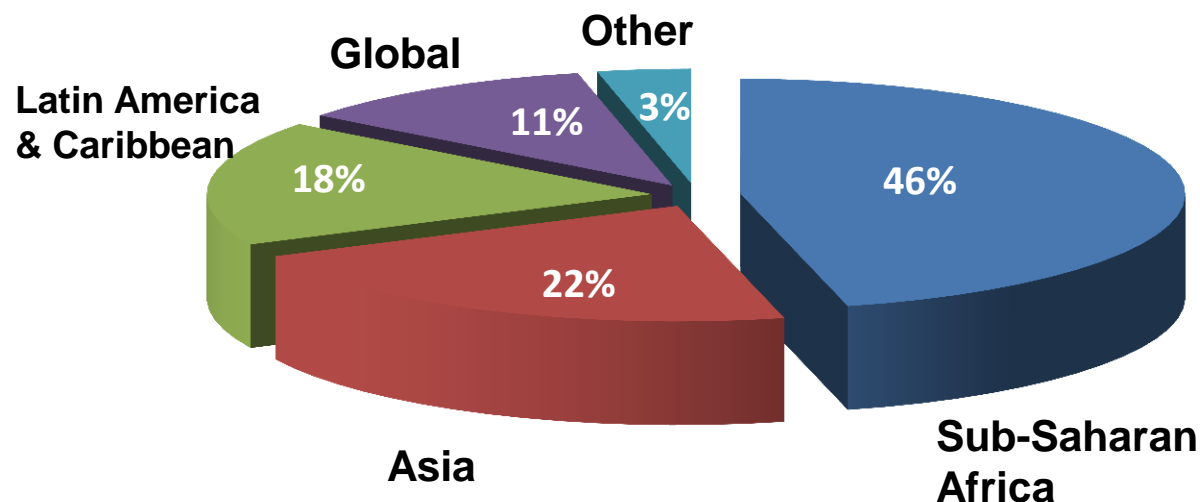
Project grants to improve SPS situation and enhance market access

Focus on projects that:

- identify, develop and/or disseminate good practice
- are linked to topics covered by STDF's work
- use regional approaches
- are innovative, collaborative, inter-disciplinary

STDF contribution \leq US\$1 million, 3 year duration, or less

Asia & Pacific Region accounts for 22% (by value, US\$) of all STDF PPGs and projects (March 2012)



Countries in Asia and the Pacific can also benefit from outputs of STDF projects in other regions and from coordination activities.

Some examples

- ASEAN Pesticide Residue Data Generation Project
- Beyond Compliance: Integrated systems approach for pest risk management in Southeast Asia
- Market access through competency-based education and training in horticulture (Vietnam and Thailand)
- Ginger competitiveness project in Nepal (STDF/EIF)
- Competency development scheme for cinnamon in Sri Lanka
- Use of Phytosanitary Evaluation Tool (PCE) Tool in the Pacific

How to request a PPG or project?

- Consult “Guidance Note” and application forms
- Talk to relevant stakeholders in country/region
- Contact STDF Secretariat with any questions
- Complete and submit application
- Revise, as needed, based on feedback from STDF Secretariat
- Requests considered two times per year
 - Next deadline: 28 December 2012

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