STRENGTHENING CAPACITIES TO ENHANCE FOOD SAFETY IN LOW AND MIDDLE INCOME COUNTRIES (LMIC)

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The COLEACP’s mission and main objectives

COLEACP’s Structure

Association (Private Sector: producers-exporters-importers+network of local exerts)

F4M (Fit for Market)

Inter-Professional Association, since 1973

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- Develop the agrifood trade (especially the fruit & vegetables sector, but also cocoa, fish products, coffee,...) in an inclusive and sustainable way, primarily in the ACP countries (local markets) and between them and the EU (international market)
- Support the compliance of ACP products with market rules and requirements (food safety, but also... fair trade, ethics, environment, nutrition & health)
- Strengthen and sustain the ability among ACP stakeholders to adapt to changes in regulations and market requirements
- Maintain or strengthen the contribution of exports (e.g. horticultural products) in reducing poverty in ACP countries

COLEACP Programs are focused on Capacity Building for All Stakeholders

Beneficiaries (public sector or private sector)

Consultants
Institutes (standardisation)

Labs.
Schools

SPS Committees
Universities

Extension structures
Professional organisations
COLEACP’s Partnerships

**PARTNERSHIPS FUNDING**

- European Union
- Private Donors
- Public Donors

**COLEACP ACTIVITIES**

Reaching ambitious goals that can only be achieved by working with others

**UPSCALING ACTIVITIES**

GREATER IMPACT

Local Partners/Beneficiaries and Institutions

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**COLEACP’s Programs**

- **EDES Program** (2010-2015): CB in Public Sector (Competent Authorities, SPS Committee, Laboratories, Inspection, ...)
- And others (Regional Fruit Fly Project, Prodefima, Paepard,...)
- **Fit For Market Program**: current Program
  Objective: «Enable smallholders, farmer groups and organisations, and SMEs to access international and domestic horticultural markets by complying with SPS issues and market requirements, in a sustainable framework »

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**COLEACP’s PIP Program**

- **Protection of Smallholder Producers**
  150,000 smallholders directly touched by the programme

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**COLEACP’s PIP Main Results**

- **Detection and Quantification of Pests**
  - 107% increase
- **Identification of Dead Organisms**
  - 1,000% increase
- **Detection of Infected Organisms**
  - 700% increase
- **Detection of Infected Plants**
  - 497% increase
- **Detection of Infected Soil**
  - 35% increase
- **Detection of Infected Water**
  - 31% increase
- **Detection of Infected Organisms in Soil**
  - 90% increase
- **Detection of Infected Organisms in Water**
  - 92% increase
- **Detection of Infected Plants in Soil**
  - 43% increase
- **Detection of Infected Plants in Water**
  - 7% increase

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**COLEACP’s EDES Program**

- Stimulate, encourage and support the processes of change required for the establishment of food safety management systems
- EDES Program aimed to improve: Governance, Risk Assessment, Official Controls procedures, Laboratories’ performance, Information of stakeholders
Launched officially on December 6th, FFM Programme has already received 164 requests for support from 25 countries.

More than 60% made by companies and producers.

The COLEACP’s 3 pillars

A Sustainability Charter

An efficient Training Program (COLEACP’s « Fair training system »)
Fair Training System: main founders

- Offer training activities guided by field information (match needs)
- Improve skills sustainably and in depth: analyze skills requirements of all beneficiaries
- Develop the ability to identify emerging issues and organize monitoring (capacity-building should be linked to technical assistance)
- Combine group training with specific ‘Packages’ (group training) and specific trainings or even individual trainings
- Make optimum use of local resources/expertise (“fair”)

Fair Training System: facts & figures

- **PIP** (Phase 2 only):
  - > 700 training session → > 1,000 ACP Trainers
  - 39,220 person-days + 1,800 users of the E-learning platform
  - 320 training & technical material available on line (FR/EN/SP)
  - Growth: in staff number: +40%; in local services: + 199%
  - 32,125 visitors on the COLEACP PIP Website
- **EDES** (in 50 countries):
  - > 330 training session – 68 Workshops (national & regional)
  - 200 Technical Handbooks on Food Safety available (FR/EN)
  - 250 ACP Trainers of trainers ("master trainers")
  - 120 Laboratories supported

Third Pillar

A Self-Assessment System & Tool

Thank You!