

Workshop proposal

Expert consultation and training on agricultural information - FAO Depository libraries, AGROVOC and AGRIS 6-9 March, 2006.

Background and justification

Librarians and information specialists from Armenia and Belarus expressed their needs for a brief training on the establishment of depository library in Belarus, maintenance of depository library in Armenia, the AGROVOC and AGRIS information system.

Armenia decided to establish FAO depository collection in 2005, while Belarus joined the FAO in 2005. Due to financial matters, having FAO material and the possibility of accessing and disseminating current FAO information is essential for the scientists, students and experts in both countries. Therefore under the technical supervision of the Information Management Specialist of FAO SEUR, one expert from Belarus and one colleague from Armenia will attend the expert meeting which is going to be held in SEUR premises, 6-9 March 2006.

Purpose

The meeting will facilitate the development of information services provided by agricultural information institutions in Armenia and Belarus. The invitee persons will learn about

1. FAO information services, reference library and internet based services, AgroWeb Network (CMS platform and Thematic Knowledge Networks),

Resource persons: Michal Demes, Information Management Specialist
Ildiko Pocza, Information Resources Clerk

2. FAO Depository Libraries – National Agricultural Library, Hungary and ISTIA, Nitra, Slovak Republic.

Resource persons: Erika Papay-Gulacsy, Beatrix Benczekovics (Hungary)
Maria Debreceniova, Jozef Bartko (Slovak Republic)

3. AGROVOC - National Agricultural Library, Hungary and ISTIA, Nitra, Slovak Republic.

Resource persons: Maria Debreceniova, Jozef Bartko (Slovak Republic)
Laszlo Papocs (Hungary)

4. AGRIS input system

Resource persons: Maria Debreceniova, Jozef Bartko (Slovak Republic)

Participants

The following participants will attend the meeting:

Narine Khurshudyan, Armenian Agricultural Academy
Marina Khomenko, Belarus Agricultural Library, Minsk.