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FAO/WHO PROJECT AND TRUST FUND FOR ENHANCED PARTICIPATION IN CODEX

SIXTH PROGRESS REPORT (JULY - DECEMBER 2005)

A. INTRODUCTION

1. This is the sixth progress report on the FAO/WHO Project and Trust Fund for Enhanced Participation in Codex. It covers activities for the second half of 2005 and follows on from the information contained in the Fifth Progress Report (CAC/28 INF/12).

B. TECHNICAL SECTION

2005 Meeting Participation

2. For the period January to October 2005 198 delegates from 83 countries were supported to attend 14 Codex meetings. The breakdown of participants was: 53% from LDCs and other lower income countries; 30% from lower middle income countries; and 17% from upper middle income countries. Annex A provides details of the countries supported. Countries supported by the Trust Fund are required to submit concise but comprehensive reports outlining their activities before, during and after the meetings including the impact that attendance had on Codex activities at national level. An overall review and summary of the reports received is expected to be available in late 2005.

3. For the period November to December 2005, 56 delegates from 49 countries are expected to be supported to attend two Codex meetings. The expected breakdown of participants from November to December 2005 is: 37% from LDCs and other lower income countries; 49% from lower middle income countries; and 14% from upper middle income countries. Annex B provides details of this proposed support.

2005 Codex Training

4. A Codex training course, based on the FAO/WHO Codex Training Package, is to be held immediately prior to the FAO/WHO Regional Conference on Food Safety for the Americas and the Caribbean, in Costa Rica from 6 to 9 December 2005. It is expected that the Trust Fund will support participation of 60 attendees from eligible countries (mostly Low Income and Lower Middle Income Countries) from within the region.

2006 Applications

5. Application forms for support by way of Codex meeting attendance, training and other activities in 2006 were made widely available through the Codex Email lists and via the WHO, FAO and Codex websites in July 2005. Applications will be considered by the Consultative Group for the Trust Fund (CGTF) and countries advised of the outcome of their applications before the end of 2005.

C. FINANCIAL SECTION

2005 Finance

6. During the period January to September 2005 a total of US\$ 579,926 was received in contributions from Canada, the European Commission, and Germany. Table 1 provides the breakdown.

Table 1. Codex Trust Fund - Contributions received January to September 2005

Donor	Amount Received (in contribution currency)	Amount Received (in US\$)	Date Received
Canada	Cdn \$ 200,000	US\$ 163,586	March 2005
European Commission	EUR 280,250	US\$ 366,340	February 2005
Germany	US\$ 50,000	US\$ 50,000	January 2005
Total amount received		US\$ 579,926	

7. Three additional contributions to the Trust Fund are expected in 2005. These are:

Sweden: A 3-year Agreement for the 2005-2007 period has been finalized, which will entail a Swedish Government contribution of SEK 3.0 million per year (approximately US\$ 385,600 per year), thereby resulting in the contribution of US\$ 385,600 for 2005.

Netherlands: According to the 4-year Agreement (2003-2006), the Netherlands will contribute US\$ 50,000 in 2005.

United States: Advice has been received of a US\$ \$157,800 contribution to be made by the United States Government in 2005.

8. Total cost to the Codex Trust Fund for support in 2005 is estimated to be US\$ 2,033,000 (including administrative and management costs). The total average cost of supporting participants to Codex meetings, including all administrative functions related to the trust fund, is expected to be US\$ 6,400 per participant.

2006 Finance

9. Four further contributions already pledged or expected in 2006 are estimated to total US\$ 833,400. While efforts continue to be made to secure other donations for 2006 and beyond, as at October 2005, a figure of US\$ 1,585,000 (including administrative and management costs) is being used to plan levels of participant support in 2006.

D. OTHER ISSUES

Eligibility

10. In 2005, Afghanistan joined Codex and immediately became eligible to apply for Trust Fund support, bringing the total number of eligible countries to 137. The eligibility of Codex members for support from the Trust Fund, the conditions and the various levels of support are all reviewed annually by the CGTF using the approved factors outlined in the Third Progress Report (CX/EXEC 04/53/3). Annex C details the latest grouping of the 137 eligible countries.

Information Meeting

11. An information meeting was held on 8 July 2005 in Rome, Italy (in conjunction with the 28th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission) primarily to provide a forum for an exchange of information and ideas on the FAO/WHO Codex Trust Fund. Over 100 participants from about 60 countries were present at the meeting. Presentations and comments were given by representatives of donor countries, beneficiary countries and members of the Consultative Group on the Trust Fund and these, together with some information material distributed at the meeting, generated considerable discussion. Many participants reported improved interagency co-operation and increased levels of Codex related activity within their countries as a direct result of the Trust Fund supported attendance at Codex meetings.

12. There was a very high level of support for the Trust Fund with an overall high level of satisfaction with its current operations. Many useful suggestions were made on ways that the Trust Fund could better meet the needs of developing countries. Continued support of developing countries' attendance at Codex meetings and working groups was clearly given a priority, with a range of views expressed on the level of support that the Trust Fund should give to training. Donor support for the Trust Fund was also high with one donor announcing a continuation of their funding in 2006.

Annex A - Countries supported by the Codex Trust Fund, January-October 2005

Annex B - Countries proposed to be supported by the Codex Trust Fund, November-December. 2005

Annex C - Grouping of Eligible Countries

Annex A - Countries supported by the Codex Trust Fund, January-October 2005

* UN Least Developed Country

Commission/Committee	Country	Region
FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Africa* Rome, Italy, 25-28 January 2005 <i>* Postponed from December 2004</i>	1. Benin*	Africa
	2. Ethiopia*	Africa
	3. Guinea*	Africa
	4. Guinea-Bissau*	Africa
	5. Lesotho*	Africa
	6. Mauritania*	Africa
	7. Mozambique*	Africa
	8. Sierra Leone*	Africa
	9. Swaziland	Africa
	10. Togo*	Africa
	11. Tanzania*	Africa
	12. Zambia*	Africa
Codex Committee on Meat and Poultry Hygiene Christchurch, South Island, New Zealand, 14-18 February 2005	1. Botswana	Africa
	2. Tanzania*	Africa
	3. Lithuania	Europe
	4. Vanuatu*	South-West Pacific
Codex Committee on Fats and Oils London, UK, 21-25 February 2005	1. Niger*	Africa
	2. Bhutan*	Asia
	3. Indonesia	Asia
	4. Nepal*	Asia
	5. Philippines	Asia
Codex Committee on Fish and Fishery Products Cape Town, South Africa, 24 February - 4 March 2005	6. El Salvador	Latin America & The Caribbean
	1. Angola*	Africa
	2. Burundi*	Africa
	3. Eritrea*	Africa
	4. Niger*	Africa
	5. Seychelles	Africa
	6. Cambodia*	Asia
	7. Indonesia	Asia
	8. Malaysia	Asia
	9. Philippines	Asia
	10. Cuba	Latin America & The Caribbean
	11. Guyana	Latin America & The Caribbean
	12. Nicaragua	Latin America & The Caribbean
	13. Peru	Latin America & The Caribbean
	14. Suriname	Latin America & The Caribbean
	15. Cook Islands	South-West Pacific
16. Papua New Guinea	South-West Pacific	
FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Near East Amman, Jordan, 7-10 March 2005	1. Lebanon	Near East
Codex Committee on Food Hygiene Buenos Aires, Argentina, 14-19 March 2005	1. Eritrea*	Africa
	2. Ethiopia	Africa
	3. Gambia*	Africa
	4. Kenya	Africa
	5. Lesotho*	Africa

Commission/Committee	Country	Region
	6. Nigeria	Africa
	7. Bhutan*	Asia
	8. Cambodia*	Asia
	9. Romania	Europe
	10. Bolivia	Latin America & The Caribbean
	11. Cuba	Latin America & The Caribbean
	12. Ecuador	Latin America & The Caribbean
	13. El Salvador	Latin America & The Caribbean
	14. Guatemala	Latin America & The Caribbean
	15. Haiti*	Latin America & The Caribbean
	16. Honduras	Latin America & The Caribbean
	17. Nicaragua	Latin America & The Caribbean
	18. Peru	Latin America & The Caribbean
	19. Venezuela	Latin America & The Caribbean
20. Tunisia	Near East	
21. Cook Islands	South-West Pacific	
Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling Budapest, Hungary, 4-8 April 2005	1. Eritrea*	Africa
	2. Gambia*	Africa
	3. Mali*	Africa
	4. Dominican Rep.	Latin America & The Caribbean
	5. Honduras	Latin America & The Caribbean
Codex Committee on General Principles Paris, France, 11-15 April 2005	1. Angola*	Africa
	2. Gambia*	Africa
	3. Guinea Bissau*	Africa
	4. Madagascar*	Africa
	5. Mali*	Africa
	6. Morocco	Africa
	7. Senegal*	Africa
	8. Sudan*	Africa
	9. Tanzania*	Africa
	10. Uganda*	Africa
	11. Zimbabwe	Africa
	12. Indonesia	Asia
	13. Lao*	Asia
	14. Mongolia	Asia
	15. Nepal*	Asia
	16. Albania	Europe
	17. Colombia	Latin America & The Caribbean
	18. Haiti*	Latin America & The Caribbean
	19. Mexico	Latin America & The Caribbean
	20. Panama	Latin America & The Caribbean
	21. Surinam	Latin America & The Caribbean
	22. Kiribati*	South-West Pacific
	23. Samoa*	South-West Pacific
	24. Solomon Islands*	South-West Pacific
	25. Tonga	South-West Pacific
Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues The Hague, Netherlands, 18-23 April 2005	1. Burundi*	Africa

Commission/Committee	Country	Region
	2. Gambia*	Africa
	3. Ghana	Africa
	4. Guinea-Bissau*	Africa
	5. Kenya	Africa
	6. Lesotho*	Africa
	7. Mali*	Africa
	8. Niger*	Africa
	9. India	Asia
	10. Lao*	Asia
	11. Mongolia	Asia
	12. Nepal*	Asia
	13. Romania	Europe
	14. Argentina	Latin America & The Caribbean
	15. Iran	Near East
	16. Kiribati*	South-West Pacific
	Codex Committee on Food Additives and Contaminants The Hague, Netherlands, 25-29 April 2005	1. Burkina Faso*
2. Ethiopia*		Africa
3. Niger*		Africa
4. Nigeria		Africa
5. Seychelles		Africa
6. Uganda*		Africa
7. China		Asia
8. Lao*		Asia
9. Albania		Europe
10. Poland		Europe
11. Venezuela		Latin America & The Caribbean
12. Iran		Near East
Codex Committee on Food Labelling Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia, 9-13 May 2005	1. Botswana	Africa
	2. Burkina Faso*	Africa
	3. Ghana	Africa
	4. Kenya	Africa
	5. Lesotho*	Africa
	6. Morocco	Africa
	7. Senegal*	Africa
	8. Cambodia*	Asia
	9. India	Asia
	10. Turkey	Europe
	11. Dominica	Latin America & The Caribbean
	12. Guatemala	Latin America & The Caribbean
	13. Guyana	Latin America & The Caribbean
	14. Haiti*	Latin America & The Caribbean
	15. Nicaragua	Latin America & The Caribbean
	16. Panama	Latin America & The Caribbean
	17. Paraguay	Latin America & The Caribbean
	18. Trinidad & Tobago	Latin America & The Caribbean
	19. Tunisia	Near East
	20. Papua New Guinea	South-West Pacific
	21. Samoa*	South-West Pacific
	22. Solomon Islands*	South-West Pacific

Commission/Committee	Country	Region
Codex Committee on Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Mexico City, Mexico, 16-20 May 2005	1. Senegal*	Africa
	2. Tanzania*	Africa
	3. Uganda*	Africa
	4. Malaysia	Asia
	5. Viet Nam	Asia
	6. Albania	Europe
	7. Honduras	Latin America & The Caribbean
	8. Peru	Latin America & The Caribbean
	9. Fiji	South-West Pacific
	10. Tonga	South-West Pacific
Codex Alimentarius Commission Rome, Italy, 4-9 July 2005	1. Angola*	Africa
	2. Burundi*	Africa
	3. Eritrea*	Africa
	4. Ethiopia*	Africa
	5. Ghana	Africa
	6. Guinea Bissau*	Africa
	7. Kenya	Africa
	8. Lesotho*	Africa
	9. Mali*	Africa
	10. Morocco	Africa
	11. Niger*	Africa
	12. Nigeria	Africa
	13. Rwanda*	Africa
	14. Sudan*	Africa
	15. Tanzania*	Africa
	16. Uganda*	Africa
	17. Zimbabwe	Africa
	18. Bhutan*	Asia
	19. Bhutan	Asia
	20. China	Asia
	21. India	Asia
	22. Viet Nam	Asia
	23. Georgia	Europe
	24. Georgia	Europe
	25. Antigua & Barbados	Latin America & The Caribbean
	26. Colombia	Latin America & The Caribbean
	27. Costa Rica	Latin America & The Caribbean
	28. Dominican Rep	Latin America & The Caribbean
	29. El Salvador	Latin America & The Caribbean
	30. Nicaragua	Latin America & The Caribbean
	31. Paraguay	Latin America & The Caribbean
	32. Surinam	Latin America & The Caribbean
	33. Samoa*	South-West Pacific
	34. Solomon Islands*	South-West Pacific
	35. Vanuatu*	South-West Pacific
Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Task Force on Food Derived from Biotechnology Chiba, Japan, 19-23 September 2005	1. Lesotho*	Africa
	2. Madagascar*	Africa
	3. Mali*	Africa
	4. Nigeria	Africa

Commission/Committee	Country	Region
	5. Sudan*	Africa
	6. Uganda*	Africa
	7. Bhutan*	Asia
	8. Cambodia*	Asia
	9. Mongolia	Asia
	10. Nepal*	Asia
	11. Haiti*	Latin America & The Caribbean
	12. Egypt	Near East
	13. Papua New Guinea	South-West Pacific

Annex B - Countries proposed to be supported by the Codex Trust Fund, November-December 2005

Commission/Committee	Country
Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses Bonn, Germany, 21-25 November 2005	1. Argentina
	2. Bolivia
	3. Botswana
	4. Chile
	5. Egypt
	6. Fiji
	7. Ghana
	8. Indonesia
	9. Kiribati
	10. Lithuania
	11. Madagascar
	12. Mali
	13. Philippines
	14. Russian Federation
	15. Senegal
	16. Zimbabwe
Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems Melbourne, Australia, 28 November-02 December 2005	1. Albania
	2. Antigua and Barbuda
	3. Belize
	4. Bolivia
	5. Burundi
	6. Cambodia
	7. Cuba
	8. Dominican Rep.
	9. Ecuador
	10. Egypt
	11. Eritrea
	12. Ethiopia
	13. Fiji
	14. Gambia
	15. Guatemala
	16. Guinea-Bissau

Commission/Committee	Country
	17. Guyana
	18. Haiti
	19. Iran
	20. Jordan
	21. Kazakhstan
	22. Kiribati
	23. Kyrgyzstan
	24. Lebanon
	25. Madagascar
	26. Micronesia
	27. Mongolia
	28. Myanmar
	29. Nepal
	30. Papua N Guinea
	31. Philippines
	32. Rwanda
	33. Samoa
	34. Solomon Islands
	35. Sudan
	36. Tonga
37. Tunisia	
38. Turkey	
39. Vanuatu	
40. Zimbabwe	

Annex C - Grouping of Eligible Countries (137 countries in total) as at 31 October 2005

GROUP 1 (59 countries)

Group 1A – Least Developed Countries (LDC) <i>As listed by the UNCTAD Report 2004</i>	Group 1B – Other Low Income Countries (LIC) <i>Listed as LIC by the World Bank 2005 Report and Low Human Development or Medium Human Development by UNDP 2004 Report</i>
Africa Angola Benin Burkina Faso Burundi Cape Verde Central African Republic Chad Democratic Republic of the Congo Equatorial Guinea Eritrea Ethiopia Gambia Guinea Guinea-Bissau Lesotho Liberia Madagascar Malawi Mali Mauritania Mozambique Niger Rwanda Senegal Sierra Leone Togo Uganda United Republic of Tanzania Zambia	Africa Cameroon Congo, Republic of Côte d'Ivoire Ghana Kenya Nigeria Zimbabwe
Asia Bangladesh Bhutan Cambodia Lao Peoples Democratic Republic Myanmar Nepal	Asia Democratic People's Republic of Korea India Mongolia Pakistan Viet Nam
Europe -	Europe Moldova, Republic of
Latin America and the Caribbean Haiti	Latin America and the Caribbean Nicaragua
Near East Afghanistan Sudan Yemen	Near East Kyrgyzstan
South-West Pacific Kiribati Samoa Solomon Islands Vanuatu	South-West Pacific Papua New Guinea
43 countries	16 countries

GROUP 2 (45 countries)

<i>Countries listed as Lower Middle income Countries (LMC) by the World Bank 2005 report and Medium Human Development (MHD) or High Human Development (HHD) by UNDP 2004 report (except Cook Islands which is unlisted in both reports, and Serbia and Montenegro, Iraq and Federated States of Micronesia which are not listed in UNDP 2004)*</i>
Africa Morocco Namibia South Africa Swaziland
Asia China Indonesia Philippines Sri Lanka Thailand
Europe Albania Armenia Bulgaria Georgia Kazakhstan Romania Russian Federation *Serbia and Montenegro The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Turkey Ukraine
Latin America and the Caribbean Bolivia Brazil Colombia Cuba Dominican Republic Ecuador El Salvador Guatemala Guyana Honduras Jamaica Paraguay Peru Suriname
Near East Algeria Egypt *Iraq Iran, Islamic Republic of Jordan Syrian Arab Republic Tunisia
South-West Pacific *Cook Islands Fiji *Micronesia, Federated States of Tonga
45 countries

GROUP 3 (33 countries)

Group 3A <i>Countries listed as Upper Middle income Countries (UMC) in the World Bank 2005 report and Medium Human Development (MHD) in the UNDP 2004 report.</i>	Group 3B <i>Countries listed as Upper Middle income Countries (UMC) in World Bank 2005 report and High Human Development (HHD) in the UNDP 2004 report.</i>
Africa Botswana Gabon Mauritius	Africa Seychelles
Asia Malaysia	Asia -
Europe -	Europe Croatia Czech Republic Estonia Hungary Latvia Lithuania Poland Slovak Republic
Latin America and the Caribbean Belize Dominica Grenada Panama Saint Lucia Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Venezuela	Latin America and the Caribbean Antigua and Barbuda Argentina Barbados Chile Costa Rica Mexico Saint Kitts and Nevis Trinidad and Tobago Uruguay
Near East Lebanon Libyan Arab Jamahiriya Oman Saudi Arabia	Near East -
South-West Pacific -	South-West Pacific -
15 countries	18 countries