



PRESS-RELEASE

Capacity building of the regional experts and consultants on food safety (GlobalG.A.P. standard) in livestock sector in Central Asia

From June 23-30, 2021, in Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan, in the framework of a project funded by the European Union, a training on "Ensuring food safety in the livestock sector based on the Global G.A.P international standard" was held.

More than 20 experts and consultants from Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan took part in the training. Practical part of the training was conducted in selected livestock breeding complex, near Almaty. The participants of the training, after passing required tests, assumed commitments to conduct similar training in their respective organizations and implement the GlobalG.A.P. system in cattle breeding complexes in their countries and consolidate knowledge through practical application.

The aim of this training was to build capacity of the regional experts and consultants from relevant State agencies and private sector of Central Asian countries on food safety in livestock and poultry sector. The training was conducted by an EU accredited expert.

This training was organized upon the request of sector associations in Central Asia.

This training was organized by the "CANDY V" consortium led by the Austrian internationally active organization Hilfswerk International in the framework of the project "Regional integration and capacity building to boost Agribusiness MSMEs competitiveness and trade Promotion in Central Asia – CANDY V", funded by the European Union program "Central Asia - Invest V" and the Austrian Development Cooperation".

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The European Union is made up of 27 Member States who have decided to gradually link together their know-how, resources and destinies. Together, during a period of enlargement of 60 years, they have built a zone of stability, democracy and sustainable development whilst maintaining cultural diversity, tolerance and individual freedoms. The European Union is committed to sharing its achievements and its values with countries and peoples beyond its borders. To this end the EU is active in Tajikistan since 1992 and provides approximately EUR 35 million annually in development assistance.

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The project is funded also by the Austrian Development Cooperation. The Austrian Development Cooperation supports countries in Africa, Asia, South Eastern and Eastern Europe in their sustainable development. The Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs plans the strategies. The Austrian Development Agency (ADA), the operational unit of Austrian Development Cooperation, implements programs and projects together with public institutions, civil society organizations as well as enterprises.



The International non-governmental organization **Hilfswerk International** implements currently in equal partnership with regional & international organizations in the Central Asia its fifth project as part of the “Central Asia – Invest” program of the European Union.

This series of projects, which have been implemented for the last eleven years by a team of nine regional and international organizations, aims at Central Asia’s integration into the global economy by developing the fruit and vegetable processing sector and increasing the competitiveness and export capacity of SMEs.

PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS:



ASSOCIATION OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLE ENTERPRISES IN KYRGYZSTAN (AFVE) was established in June 2003 and currently unites most fruit and vegetable enterprises in the country, developing the fruit and vegetable processing sector and enterprises by creating a favorable business environment and developing the market for processed products. The “Association of fruit and vegetable enterprises” is a non-

governmental, non-profit organization uniting legal entities engaged in the production and processing of agricultural produce, on the basis of free will and common interests.



MARKAZI IDORAKUNII SIFAT (MIS) – Public Consulting Organization is professional union of specialists, working in the field of introduction of advanced quality control systems, and implementing the activity, aimed at the enhancement of management methods, and as a result, the quality of the services provided. Since 2012 work for contribution in the sustainable economic development of Tajikistan through strengthening organization and

institutional potential of the domestic producers via implementation of training programs and provision consulting services.



UNION OF PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS OF TAJIKISTAN (UPCT) is a non-profit organization uniting professional consultants in order to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of consulting services, increase the level of professional development of consultants and provide high-quality services to government bodies, public associations, business and society as a whole. UPCT

was established in 2010. The organization has experience in matters related to: developing economic development reforms by using and implementing international best practices; legal analysis of documents, preparation of legal opinions, development of recommendations and development of regulatory legal acts in many areas of the economy; monitoring legislation and tracking changes in the regulatory framework of the Republic of Tajikistan; facilitating the work of working groups to improve the legislation of the Republic of Tajikistan in the field of business environment, investment climate and private sector development, as well as simplifying trade procedures and lobbying of private sector interests.



The Association of Legal Entities “**KAZAKHSTAN ASSOCIATION OF SUGAR, FOOD AND PROCESSING INDUSTRIES**” (KASFPI) is a non-profit organization established in 2012 that unites the leading producers of white sugar in Kazakhstan, as well as producers and processors of fruits and vegetables. The purpose of the Association is to support and promote the development of enterprises in the food and processing industries of the Republic of Kazakhstan, participation in law-making activities and strengthening business ties with foreign partners.



REDD France - Founded in January 2016, REDD is a French based company and subsidiary of REDD SA based in Switzerland. REDD accompanies value chain stakeholders and policy makers in adopting innovative strategies that meet consumers new expectations and concerns. REDD SAS also raises awareness and disseminate information on stakes related to food systems among consumers, citizen, adults and children.

REDD SAS experts' knowledge and skills gathered from our involvement in technical assistance and research projects feed directly into our training modules and vice-versa, creating a dynamic transfer circuit.

REDD has been active in many regions, worldwide including South-east Asia, the Balkans and the Caucasus.



AUSTRIAN AGRICULTURAL CLUSTER (AAC) – The AAC was founded in 1999 and represents the most innovative Austrian suppliers of agricultural and food processing technologies as well as animal breeding organizations. The export-cluster is supported by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Regions and Tourism and the Austrian Federal Chamber of Commerce. The AAC stands for **SUSTAINABLE AGRIBUSINESS** solutions. The services range from consulting, conceptual planning and project development until the modernization of existing and delivery of new turn-key projects.



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