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## *Seminar on Sanitary and Food Safety Issues for Third Countries Competent Authorities*



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**Import related EC legislation in the  
area of sanitary issues: fisheries  
legislation, hygiene package, HACCP,  
traceability**

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## *Seminar on Sanitary and Food Safety Issues for Third Countries Competent Authorities*

The objective of this seminar is to familiarise Developing Countries administrators with:

- ↳ SPS import requirements;
- ↳ Changes in the EU Feed and Food legislation;
- ↳ Hazards Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) requirements;
- ↳ EU import requirements concerning traceability from the perspective of global and international trade and future development of traceability requirements.

The seminar will include field visits to food production / exporting / importing facilities in order to better understand the concrete implementation of SPS requirements.

Beneficiary countries for this activity are: Armenia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Chile, China, Ecuador, Gambia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mauritius, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, The Republic of Korea, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tunisia, Vietnam.

### **Monday 22 June 2009**

- ↳ Importance of the Health Certificate (Regulation (EC) No 2074/2005)
- ↳ Access to the EU market and overall presentation of the Community legislation
- ↳ Overview of the EU integrated approach to food safety - from the farm-to-fork -and the key Community legislation that implement this strategy
- ↳ Residues monitoring plan: legal basis, how the system works
- ↳ Belgian Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain: organisation, structure and role / health certificate / residues monitoring plan

### **Tuesday 23 June 2009**

- ↳ Safe Food Production and HACCP
- ↳ Risks, hazards and incidents associated to fishery products
- ↳ Auditing and inspection
- ↳ "EU Hygiene Package" legislation and EU Horizontal legislation applicable to fishery products
- ↳ Role of WTO and other international organisations in food safety and animal health and the importance of SPS Agreement
- ↳ TRACES: Trade Control and Export System

### **Wednesday 24 June 2009**

- ↳ Visit of the fish landing site, the auction market and the seaport authorities (Zeebrugge) and visit of the fish processing and fish storage plant "Marine Harvest Pieters" (Brugge)

### **Thursday 25 June 2009**

- ↳ Visit of the regional control unit, the border inspection post, the fish plant "De Jager" and the retailer "Metro" (Antwerpen)

### **Friday 26 June 2009**

- ↳ FVO presentation: tasks and role
- ↳ FVO inspections on fishery products: important steps of an FVO inspection; major common deficiencies highlighted in FVO inspection reports and recommendations
- ↳ Export Helpdesk for Developing Countries
- ↳ RASFF - Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed
- ↳ Group work on FVO reports and on EU legislation / SPS and WTO issues

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