

Program calendar

December

Japan

Training course on Production Innovation Systems, 30 November–11 December 2009.

► Objective: To develop the capability of production managers and trainers/consultants to innovate production systems using practical approaches and hands-on workshops.

► Participants: Trainers/consultants and senior/mid-level managerial and technical personnel from industry involved in manufacturing.

Multicountry observational study mission on the Promotion of the Local Agrofood Industry Using the Industry Cluster Concept, 8–15 December 2009.

► Objective: To enhance participants' knowledge of methods to promote the local agrofood industry through active collaboration among farmers, food manufacturing companies, research institutes, and commercial enterprises in the region.

► Participants: Managers or officials of food industry enterprises, industry associations, agricultural SMEs, government, and agricultural cooperatives, and researchers involved in promoting local food industries.

Republic of Korea

Study meeting on the Participation of Women and Retirees in the Workforce, 7–10 December 2009.

► Objective: To share experiences and practices of countries with aging populations which have embarked on a return-to-the-workforce drive for women and retirees and identify best practices in policy and other interventions for aging societies.

► Participants: Policymakers and senior representatives from the Ministry/Agency of Manpower, representatives from employers' federations and trade unions, and senior researchers from labor institutes or academic faculties.

India

Workshop on the Development of Commercial Organic Farming, 9–15 December 2009.

► Objective: To review recent developments in commercial organic farming; identify the key issues and opportunities in promoting organic farming; and formulate action plans for the development of commercial organic farms.

► Participants: Managers, officials, consultants, representatives of producers and retailers of organics, NGO staff, or academics involved in organic agribusiness.

Malaysia

Training course on the Food Safety Management System ISO22000:2005 for Auditors/Lead Auditors, 9–15 December 2009.

► Objective: To enable participants to acquire the knowledge and skills to interpret and audit according to the ISO22000:2005 food safety management system (FSMS) and satisfy the requirements for registration as FSMS auditors.

► Participants: Experienced food safety professionals seeking an understanding of the management system approach to food safety.

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