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Course On:

Integrated Pest Management

April 21st - May 14th, 2013



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MASHAV – Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation, and CINADCO - Center for International Agricultural Development Cooperation, in cooperation with the Institute of Plant Protection, Volcani Center, invites professionals to participate in the course on:

Integrated Pest Management

which will take place in CINADCO's Training Centre, Volcani

Agricultural Complex, Israel

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About the course

Background

It is widely accepted that synthetic pesticides pose a real threat for the global environment, including human health. Moreover, reduction in their efficacy, as well as increase in the cost of their development and use, serves as a strong stimulus for the development of environmentally compatible and sustainable pest control measures.

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is a scientific paradigm that has now achieved global interest and recognition. IPM focuses on designing and implementing pest management practices that meet the needs of growers, consumers and relevant government agencies in reducing pest-associated damage while preventing the long-term risks of environmental pollution, hazards to human health and reduced agricultural sustainability. Ideally, IPM requires both preventative and therapeutic strategies for each crop, taking into consideration the main effects on the ecosystem. Therefore, the integration of information on pests and pathogen biology and the innovative safe approaches to reduce the use of environmentally harmful pesticides are imperative for a successful IPM control. Intensive research has already resulted in successful implementation of IPM approaches in protecting fruit and vegetable crops in Israel.

Aims

To address new developments in the field of plant protection, to provide the most recent practical tools of IPM implementation and to establish links with Israeli scientists, with a broader view for future cooperation.

Main Subjects

Key pests and pathogens; Control measures – with an emphasis on biological and biorational methods using innovative chemistries, chemical ecology and physical means; Improvement of crop protection by genetic tools; Incorporation of IPM techniques, principles, and their economic advantages; Integration of extension services with research to foster IPM implementation; Planning IPM programs in specific agricultural systems.

Qualifications

Priority will be given to professionals from academic and extension fields, involved in integrated pest management projects and technologies with (and/or under the sponsorship of) national and/or international organizations, institutions, universities, NGO`s and the private sector.

Course participants must have a relevant academic degree and at least three years of practical work experience. A very good command of the English language is essential.

Application forms

Application forms and other information may be obtained at the nearest Israeli mission and at Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs website: <http://mashav.mfa.gov.il> (in Contact Us → Information and Registration), or at Volcani website at www.agri.gov.il (Administration → International R&D Courses).

Completed application forms, including the medical form should be sent to the Israeli mission in your area and also faxed or e-mailed to CINADCO Training Center in Israel: Fax no: +972 3 9485771 / e-mail: sigalp@moag.gov.il.

MASHAV will award scholarships covering tuition fees, full board accommodation (two participants share a room), basic medical insurance and transportation to and from the airport. Scholarships **do not** include international airfare and per diem.

General Information

Location and accommodation

The course will be held at the Volcani Agricultural Research Center, situated 10 km east of Tel Aviv, Israel.

Transportation

Participants will be transported from and to Ben Gurion airport, **without charge**, by Tal Limousine Company, which is located on the mezzanine level at the Arrivals Hall. Participants are requested not to take any other transport company.

Clothing

The course will be held in the spring season. Temperatures may vary between 12°C and 25°C with probabilities of rainfall. It is therefore recommended to bring warm clothing, suitable footwear for field trips and swimwear.

Insurance

Participants are medically insured by a health insurance policy. This policy does not cover the treatment of chronic or serious diseases, dental care, eyeglasses, pregnancy and specific medication taken by the participant on a regular basis. Participants are required to bring with them their usual medication. No insurance of personal belongings like money, video cameras, laptops or jewelry will be provided.

About MASHAV

Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation (MASHAV) was founded in 1958 as part of Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs. MASHAV is responsible for initiating and implementing Israel's development cooperation programs worldwide. MASHAV aims at transferring to developing countries the expertise and technologies that have assisted Israel on its own path to development. Today, Israel cooperates with over 140 countries, providing training in Israel and abroad, and operates on-site long-term demonstration projects. MASHAV is active in fields ranging from agriculture to health and from community development to entrepreneurship. <http://mashav.mfa.gov.il>

About CINADCO

The Center for International Agricultural Development Cooperation (CINADCO) is a part of the Israel Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development. Since 1958, CINADCO has been in charge of the International Agricultural program conducted by MASHAV in Israel and abroad. CINADCO's activities consist of: International and country "tailor-made" courses in Israel, on-the-spot courses, long- and short-term projects and advisory missions. Israeli experts have also been sent to different locations around the world to conduct projects and to share their expertise in various aspects of agricultural production, extension and project planning. <http://www.cinadco.moag.gov.il/cinadco>

About ARO

The Agricultural Research Organization (ARO) is the research arm of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development and is responsible for most of the agricultural research conducted in Israel. The scientists of the ARO collaborate with the regional R&D Stations and with the Agricultural Extension Service of the Ministry of Agriculture. Research at the ARO aims to improve existing agricultural production systems and introduce new products, processes and equipment on which Israel's future agricultural efforts will be based. ARO website: <http://www.agri.gov.il>

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