

Program calendar

October

Republic of China

Study meeting on Monitoring and Management of Agricultural Water Quality for Green Food Production in the Asia-Pacific Region, 29 September–3 October.

► Objective: To review the current status of agricultural water (AW) and its regulations and standards in member countries; share knowledge and experience on AW quality management; and formulate recommendations for improving the monitoring and management of AW quality for green food production.

► Participants: Senior-level irrigation managers, researchers, or consultants in the public or private sector, and executives of water users' and/or irrigation associations.

France

Study mission to a nonmember country on Export Promotion and Market Access for Processed Agrifood Products, 20–24 October.

► Objective: To study the trends and developments in importing, wholesaling, and retailing processed agrifood products in France and other EU countries; attend the SIAL 2008 Food Exposition in France to explore export opportunities; and develop export promotion strategies to France and other major EU markets.

► Participants: Executives and managers from agrifood-processing SMEs, senior officials of export promotion boards or agencies, relevant NPO staff, and officials of the food industry and exporters'/traders' associations involved in promoting exports of agrifood products.

Japan

Training Course on *Monozukuri* (Art of Manufacturing), 29 October–11 November.

► Objective: To provide insights and impart skills in Japanese *monozukuri* (the art of manufacturing) to CEOs and top managers of private SMEs to enable them to achieve manufacturing excellence in their own operations.

► Participants: CEOs, top managers, and general managers of private manufacturing companies, particularly from leading local SMEs in the manufacturing sector. Candidates must have direct, substantial involvement in production and operations management.

Kindly contact your NPO for details of the above activities, including eligibility for participation. The project details along with the address of your NPO are available from the APO Web site at www.apo-tokyo.org.