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Workshop on Farmers' Organizations Development

Projected training dates: June 22-July 5, 2017

Application deadline: May 5, 2017 **Duration of workshop:** 14 days **Number of participants:** 25

Target participants: Government officials responsible for agricultural policy, farmers' organization, and agricultural marketing in Asia, Europe, Africa, the Caribbean and Pacific Island countries (excluding Spanish-speaking countries).

- Age and experience: Applicants under 50 years old and with at least two years' experience in implementing agricultural policy, agricultural marketing or operating domestic farmers' organizations
- Education: College and above
- Language: Good command of English

Information to be provided in advance: Application form

Information to be provided on arrival in Taiwan:

Participant's report in PowerPoint or Word format, including the following content:

- Completed Country Facts (form)
- Introduction to agricultural development policy and the current progress of farmers' organizations
- Issues and challenges that have arisen in terms of developing farmers' organizations or implementing agricultural development policy
- A case study of a successful or failed case

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Introduction:

Workshop participants will:

- Learn about agricultural development policy in Taiwan
- Learn about the overall operation and major functions of Taiwanese farmers' organizations
- Learn about the production and marketing access of Taiwanese farmers' organizations

The main topics will be served through:

- Indoor lectures: Including agricultural policy and rural development in Taiwan, an introduction to the history and regulations of farmers' organizations, agricultural marketing operations, the marketing functions of cooperatives, and e-commerce as a part of Taiwan's agricultural marketing.
- Field trips: Including visits to farmers' organizations, and agricultural production and marketing groups and cooperatives
- Group presentations: Including observation and learning activities involving workshop-related units, country reports and a final presentation