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PROJECT STATUS

- **ANTICOUNTERFEIT** – The Task Force for the “4-Step Approach” methodology established the ST strategy for the dissemination of ECPA approach on stopping illegal pesticides at the border
- **ALIMEDE** - All individual participants at the market exercise signed the new contracts with ALIMEDE for 2015-2016
- **SCAPA** –Field-based coordinator visited a number of collection centers and started to develop a database with their legal situation and needs; Office-based coordinator collects and select offers for the implementation of the communication campaign
- **SUI** – A partnership with USAMV Cluj is intended for the continuation of SUI BMP dissemination; articles about the safe use of pesticides have been published on <http://gazetadeagricultura.info/folosirea-pesticidelor-produse-protectia-plantelor.html>
- **MARKET SURVEYS** for SUI and SCAPA collection centers – in December 2014 AIPROM contracted the execution of two market surveys for SUI and SCAPA; the SUI survey was done in comparison with the benchmark in 2011; the results of the study show improvement in safe use management practices among farmers – see attachment (*Presentation_SUI_2015_RO.pptx; SCAPA_presentation_2015.pptx*)

MEETINGS & EVENTS

- **2 Feb** – SCAPA Task Force met with RIGK management in order to discuss operational issues for 2015
- **3 Feb** – SCAPA Task Force met with RIGK management & inspectors to discuss collaboration with AIPROM Project Coordinator and promotion of the Program
- **10 Feb** – WG1 meeting took place at AIPROM office: the members of the Group discussed about the extension of the shelf-life of a product, the preparation for the transition to CLP on June 1st 2015 and the revision of Ordinance no.4/1995, the organization of a new Registration Workshop for authorities in June this year. The group is supposed to elect a new leader since the current leader leaves Romania March 1st.
- **17 Feb** – The first 2015 Board Meeting of the Association took place at AIPROM office. Among other topics on the agenda, the Board decided to organize the **General Assembly of the Association on March 24 starting 14h00 at Hotel Diesel, 113 A Mircea Eliade Blvd**. An invitation together with the Agenda and proposal for revision of the Statute (as agreed at the General Assembly on October 15 2014) will be sent to all members in the next few days!
The Board has also decided upon the Calendar of events for 2015 – see attachment (*2015_schedule_of_events_AIPROM.xls*)
- **23 Feb** – WG4 meeting to discuss the set-up of a network of demofarms as part of a LT strategy of collaboration with MADR
- **23 Feb** – TOPPS planning meeting: ECPA Program Manager Manfred Roettele met with members of WG4 to discuss TOPPS extension program 2015-2017
- **24 Feb** - ECPA Program Manager Manfred Roettele and representatives of the WG4 visited USAMV Cluj to discuss extension of TOPPS program for 2015-2017. USAMV Cluj, Mechanical Engineering Faculty, will implement TOPPS in partnership with other universities and farmers' associations. The Program is financed by ECPA and AIPROM supervises the correct implementation of the activity plan in Romania

UPCOMING MARCH ACTIVITIES

- **3 March** - Meeting with Gabriel Dragoi, Expert of the EU and counsellor AN Apele Romane to discuss the WFD in Romania
- **10 March** - EAN Meeting (meeting of ECPA member associations)
- **11-12 March** - Regulatory Conference organized by ECPA for authorities in MS; Mrs. Danuta Vasiliu from the Registration Commission Secretary will attend on behalf of Romanian authorities; participation is supported by ECPA and AIPROM
- **18 March** - Stewardship / H4C Workshop organized by ECPA
- **24 March** – General Assembly of AIPROM!
- **25 March** – “4-Step Approach” Anti-counterfeit Workshop organized by ECPA and AIPROM

Have a successful March 2015!

MARK THE DATE!
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
ASSOCIATION - MARCH 24!
(Details in the text)

