



REPORT OF THE FORTY-FIRST MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS
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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund (PGTF) for South-South Cooperation held its forty-first meeting from 6 to 10 July 2026 pursuant to the provisions of the High-level Meeting on ECDC held in Cairo in August 1986, the rules of procedure adopted at its first meeting held in Caracas in August 1987, the provisions of the 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 held in New York in 1988, the 7th, 8th and 9th Meetings of the Intergovernmental Follow-up and Coordination Committee on South-South Cooperation (IFCC-VII, IFCC-VIII and IFCC-IX) held respectively in Kuala Lumpur in July-August 1989, in Panama City in August-September 1993 and in Manila in February 1996, and the 18th to 49th Annual Ministerial Meetings of the Group of 77 held respectively in New York from 1994 to 2025. Due to operational and logistical constraints, the meeting was held in virtual format with all the experts participating from their respective locations.

2. Dr. Eduardo Praselj was elected Chair of the Committee for the biennium 2026-2027 and presided over the meeting. The meeting was attended by five of the six members of the Committee, representing the three regions of the Group of 77. The list of participants appears in Annex I.

3. The Manager for Intergovernmental Affairs G-77 and High-Level Committee of the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) and two of his associates were invited to provide information on matters related to PGTF. The Chief Investment Officer of the UNDP and one of his associates were also invited by the Committee to provide information on matters related to the yield and structure of the PGTF portfolio, as well as developments in the financial markets and investment strategies.

4. The Committee adopted the following substantive agenda:

- a) Review of the operations of the PGTF.
- b) Consideration of new project proposals.
- c) Assessment of the implementation of approved projects.
- d) Other matters.

5. The Committee had before it the following documents:

- a) Thirty-six (36) project proposals.
- b) Twelve (12) terminal and financial reports.
- c) PGTF Annual Investment Review by the UNDP Investment Unit of the outlook of global economies and financial markets, and composition and yield of the PGTF portfolio.
- d) Reports by UNOSSC on the financial status of PGTF and the status of implementation of approved projects.

6. According to the information provided by UNOSSC and UNDP, uncommitted resources available for supporting new projects in 2026 are US\$ 499,599, including projected interest earnings until 31 December 2026, and, as established in guideline A(p) for utilization of PGTF resources, the maximum support that could be given to any individual project would be one seventh of this total, i.e., US\$ 71,371.

II. REVIEW OF THE OPERATIONS OF PGTF

7. An executive summary of the main operational features regarding the performance of PGTF is presented below. It includes highlights of its operations, yield and expansion of its resources, sustainability of its activities, operational arrangements, guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources, and survey on the impact of PGTF.

Highlights of thirty-nine years of operation of PGTF (1986-2025)

8. A High-level Meeting on ECDC held at Cairo in 1986, approved the main features for launching PGTF operations, including definition of the objectives of the Fund and criteria for project eligibility, as well as operational arrangements for the submission, appraisal, and approval of project proposals.

9. The Trust Fund was established in 1983 by United Nations General Assembly Resolution 38/201, with an initial core capital of US\$5 million, increased subsequently to US\$ 7 million by two US\$ one million contributions from two member countries of the Group of 77, made respectively in 2004 and 2015. As established in guideline F(f) for utilization of its resources, the initial US\$ 5 million should be preserved intact and only interest accruing on the Fund could be used to support projects. The same criterion has been applied regarding additional contributions to the core capital. Accumulated interest earnings since the establishment of the Fund amount to US\$ 13.9 million. In addition to the contributions to the core capital, PGTF received US\$ 2.6 million in contributions from member countries of the Group of 77 and US\$ 0.2 million from one international financial institution, which were directly utilized to support projects.

10. From 1986 to 2025, 1,132 project proposals were submitted to PGTF, and the Fund has provided support to 421 eligible projects. Total allocation to these projects was US\$ 17.3 million, an annual average of 10.8 projects totaling US\$ 441,000. Cumulative disbursement to approved projects was US\$ 14.3 million up to 31 December 2025.

11. With the objective of increasing the multiplier effect of PGTF resources, guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF requires that project sponsors secure contributions from other sources of an amount at least equal to the contribution requested from PGTF. Contributions from other sources for the 1986-2025 period totaled US\$ 32.0 million, i.e., US\$ 1.85 for each US\$ of PGTF resources, and thus the aggregate value of PGTF-supported projects attains US\$ 49.3 million.

12. Three priority areas have received 64 percent of total support from PGTF, namely technical cooperation, food and agriculture, and trade. A breakdown of resources allocated by priority area is provided below:

<i>Area</i>	<i>Number of projects</i>	<i>Share of allocated resources (%)</i>
TCDC activities (consulting services, training, and other).....	123	28
Food and agriculture.....	106	26
Trade.....	24	10
Technology.....	37	9
Energy.....	37	7
Health.....	36	6
Information exchange and dissemination.....	16	5
Industrialization.....	15	4
Environment-related.....	19	3
Other (raw materials, finance, and other).....	8	2
TOTAL	421	100

13. Approved projects have benefited many developing countries as well as institutions and people within these countries. So far, 134 developing countries have been direct participants in and/or beneficiaries of PGTF-funded projects, while all member countries of the Group of 77 (141 developing countries, including former members) have been collective beneficiaries of PGTF-funded projects carried out by many regional or interregional institutions and organizations of the South. Interregional and sub-regional projects have received the largest support from PGTF as indicated in the breakdown below:

<u><i>Country coverage</i></u>	<u><i>Number of projects</i></u>	<u><i>Share of allocated resources (%)</i></u>
Interregional projects.....	140	40
Sub regional projects.....	176	37
Regional projects.....	103	22
Action Committees.....	<u>2</u>	<u><1</u>
TOTAL	421	100

14. As of 6 July 2026, 91 percent of approved projects, i.e., 382 out of 421, accounting for 91 percent of allocated resources, have either been completed (323) are under implementation (55) or under preparation, still to be implemented (4) as shown in the table below:

<u><i>Status of implementation</i></u>	<u><i>Number of projects</i></u>	<u><i>Share of allocated resources (%)</i></u>
Completed.....	323	81
Under implementation.....	55	9
Under preparation, still to be implemented.....	4	1
Under query.....	0	0
Not implemented, allocated funds reverted to PGTF.....	<u>39</u>	<u>9</u>
TOTAL	421	100

15. Many national, regional, and international institutions of the South have implemented projects supported by PGTF. Implementing institutions include 157 national and 41 regional and international institutions, as detailed below. These figures do not include numerous national institutions that have participated in and/or benefited from the activities of PGTF-supported projects but did not have the primary responsibility in their implementation.

<u><i>Institution responsible for implementation</i></u>	<u><i>Number of projects</i></u>	<u><i>Share of allocated resources (%)</i></u>
National institutions (157).....	255	55
Regional and international institutions (41).....	127	36
Not implemented, allocated funds reverted to PGTF.....	<u>39</u>	<u>9</u>
TOTAL	421	100

Yield of PGTF resources

16. The Committee reviewed with the Chief Investment Officer of the UNDP the status of the PGTF portfolio and yield of PGTF resources, in keeping with the recommendations contained in paragraphs 20-23 of the report of the Committee at its ninth meeting in 1994.

17. Total PGTF resources are constituted by the core capital (US\$ 7 million) plus unexpended resources. As established in guideline F(f) for utilization of PGTF resources, the core capital should be preserved intact and only interest accrued and other earnings (i.e., additional contributions, reversion of allocated resources from approved projects that were not implemented, unspent balances of completed projects, and other income) could be used for supporting new projects.

18. PGTF resources are invested by the UNDP in accordance with its financial rules and regulations, and the investment policy is discussed and agreed upon with the PGTF Committee of Experts. Accordingly, the portfolio is fully invested with total holdings on a par value basis of US\$ 8,339,785 as of 30 June 2026. The market value of the portfolio as of 6 July 2026 was US\$ 8,103,100.

19. The portfolio as of 30 June 2026 consisted of twenty-two bonds totaling US\$ 8,080,000 (which represent 96,9% of total holdings), while the rest of the portfolio is kept as liquidity in a money market fund (US\$ 260,000 representing 3.1%). Bonds' maturities are staggered in a ladder structure: twelve bonds have maturities below five years, from 2027 to 2031 (US\$ 4,100,000 or 49.2% of total holdings), and ten longer-

term bonds mature from 2031 to 2036 (US\$ 3,980,000 or 47.7%). The average maturity of PGTF portfolio is 59 months and a breakdown of the portfolio is presented below:

Security	Par value (US\$)	Market value (US\$) as of 6 July 2026	Maturity date	% of total portfolio
Money market fund	260,000	260,000	Overnight	US\$ 260,000 (3.1%)
Bond maturities below five years				US\$ 4,100,000 (49.2%)
Bond	200,000	199,358	15-Jun-2027	
Bond	600,000	590,466	11-Oct-2027	
Bond	600,000	565,890	26-Oct-2028	
Bond	400,000	394,200	22-Jan-2029	
Bond	350,000	355,432	24-Jan-2029	
Bond	200,000	190,480	19-Jun-2029	
Bond	50,000	50,853	22-Jan-2030	
Bond	500,000	440,815	28-May-2030	
Bond	500,000	498,615	24-Jun-2030	
Bond	250,000	246,003	23-Jan-2031	
Bond	250,000	218,688	28-Jan-2031	
Bond	200,000	196,536	12-Feb-2031	
Bond maturities above five years				US\$ 3,980,000 (47.7%)
Bond	400,000	390,016	12-Sep-2031	
Bond	500,000	444,935	27-Jan-2032	
Bond	400,000	394,008	6-May-2032	
Bond	400,000	385,000	3-Mar-2033	
Bond	400,000	409,476	19-Sept-2033	
Bond	400,000	397,846	4-Oct-2033	
Bond	315,000	317,964	2-Jul-2034	
Bond	365,000	378,206	13-Jan-2035	
Bond	400,000	389,800	9-Oct-2035	
Bond	400,000	388,728	27-Feb-2036	
TOTAL	8,340,000	8,103,100		US\$ 8,340,000 (100%)

20. The ladder structure of maturities allows for reinvestment of proceeds according to the prevailing markets conditions, as shown on the table below:

Bonds' maturities	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036
US\$	800,000	600,000	950,000	850,000	1,100,000	900,000	1,200,000	315,000	765,000	400,000

21. According to the information provided in the PGTF 2026 Annual Investment Review prepared by the Chief Investment Officer of the UNDP, the main recent developments in the financial markets still show high levels of uncertainty, despite the economic and fiscal policies adopted in the recent past:

(1) Overview:

- High impact of geopolitical events: conflict in the Middle East, closure of the Hormuz strait.
- Global outlook: over the past year, headwinds from higher trade barriers and elevated uncertainty have been offset by tailwinds from technology-related investments,

accommodative financial conditions, including a weaker US dollar, and fiscal and monetary policy support. The Middle East conflict presents a significant counterforce to these tailwinds.

- IMF global GDP growth figures: 3.1% in 2026 and 3.2% for 2027, with a slight deterioration from February 2026.
- IMF global inflation figures: 4.4% in 2026 declining to 3.7% in 2027, both notably higher than previous IMF estimates.

(2) Financial markets performance:

- Equities continue to reach new highs (the MSCI All Country World Index decreased 10% after the war but then rebounded 10% in 2026 (year-to-date).
- The U.S. dollar depreciated 9.4% in 2025 and appreciated 2.5% in 2026 (year-to-date), breaking out of the recent 12-months range.
- Yield on U.S. 2-year note currently is above 4.00%.

(3) Global monetary and fiscal policies:

- Developed market central banks on hold regarding interest rates, emphasizing caution amid elevated uncertainty.
- Expected actions on interest rates by the US Federal Reserve, range from two more rate cuts in 2026 to one rate hike,

(4) Investment strategies

- The most suitable maturity profile is increasing duration to lock in the current elevated level of interest rates.
- The US Treasury rate curve is trending higher (2-year interest vs.10-year: +35 basis points vs. +50 basis points in mid-2025),
- Short term (less than one year) reinvestment rates are roughly 4.00% (Treasury bills) to 4.15% (commercial paper).

22. Funds available for reinvestment in 2027 would be around US\$ 1.2 million. In the first half of 2027, availability would be around US\$ 0.6 million, this total including the proceeds from maturity of one bond (US\$ 0.2 million); money market holdings (US\$ 0.3 million by mid-July 2026); and one half of projected 2027 interest income (US\$ 0.17 million) and contributions until mid-2027 (unknown), after deduction of liquidity requirements to meet disbursements to approved projects (around US\$ 0.2 million for the first half of 2027). In addition, one US\$ 0.6 million bond will mature in the second half of 2027, interest income for the second half of 2027 would be US\$ 0.17 million and liquidity needs would be US\$ 0.2 million, providing around US\$ 0.6 million for reinvestment. Based on the above, the Committee recommended the following investment strategy:

- *Reinvest US\$ 0.6 million in the first half of 2027 and US\$ 0.6 million in the second half in longer-term securities with an A- or better credit rating, to lock in elevated rates, bearing in mind to maintain the weighted- average credit rating of the portfolio at AA- or better.*
- *Reinvest the available liquidity in money market funds.*

23. Nominal yield of PGTF portfolio for 2026 is estimated at 3.59 percent, but after adjusting for the purchase price of the securities, the effective yield would be 3.92 percent. It should be noted that the effective yield approached 4 percent per annum for the first time since 2008, mainly because of the increase in interest rates in recent times after almost two decades of extremely low interest rates.

<u>Year</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
Effective yield (percentage)	2.71	2.55	2.43	2.51	2.70	3.05	3.30	3.92

24. Based on PGTF portfolio as of 30 June 2026, the projected interest earnings for 2026 would be US\$ 327,653. A breakdown of the securities' earnings is shown on the table below:

Security	Par value (US\$)	Buy date	Maturity date	Coupon rate (%)	Buy price (% of par value)	Coupon payment (US\$)	Yield to maturity (%)	Effective 2026 income (US\$)
<i>Securities that matured prior to 30 June 2026</i>								
Bond	1,000,000	26-May-2016	13-Jan-2026	3.000	104.848	986	2.61	859
Bond	800,000	9-Feb-2021	9-Feb-2026	1.140	100.000	974	1.14	974
Bond	200,000	13-Aug-2018	24-Mar-2026	2.375	95.040	1,067	3.02	1,359
Bond	600,000	7-Oct-2016	2-Jun-2026	3.250	102.928	8,121	3.06	7,655
<i>Securities maturing after 30 June 2026</i>								
Bond	200,000	18-Jun-2026	15-Jun-2027	4.000	99.851	4,296	4.18	4,492
Bond	600,000	30-Jul-2019	11-Oct-2027	3.125	103.900	18,750	2.59	15,902
Bond	600,000	6-May-2022	26-Oct-2028	1.625	90.075	9,750	3.35	18,975
Bond	400,000	22-Jan-2026	22-Jan-2029	3.750	99.667	14,096	3.86	14,511
Bond	350,000	16-Jul-2024	24-Jan-2029	5.000	103.283	17,500	4.78	16,810
Bond	200,000	16-Jun-2022	19-Jun-2029	2.500	92.940	5,000	3.65	7,012
Bond	50,000	22-Jan-2025	22-Jan-2030	5.000	99.477	2,500	5.12	2,552
Bond	500,000	22-Mar-2021	28-May-2030	1.000	92.840	5,000	1.85	8,891
Bond	500,000	24-Jun-2025	24-Jun-2030	4.375	99.503	21,875	4.49	22,370
Bond	250,000	23-Jan-2026	23-Jan-2031	4.000	99.780	9,370	4.04	9,472
Bond	250,000	15-Jul-2022	28-Jan-2031	1.250	83.918	3,125	3.44	7,827
Bond	200,000	12-Feb-2026	12-Feb-2031	3.875	99.820	6,837	3.92	6,900
Bond	400,000	18-Jun-2025	12-Sep-2031	4.000	98.321	15,000	4.24	16,716
Bond	500,000	11-Feb-2022	27-Jan-2032	2.550	95.250	12,750	3.11	15,132
Bond	400,000	18-Jun-2026	6-May-2032	4.000	99.081	8,592	4.24	9,097
Bond	400,000	30-Mar-2026	3-Mar-2033	4.000	96.536	12,099	4.50	13,608
Bond	400,000	25-Oct-2023	19-Sept-2033	5.000	94.617	20,000	5.79	22,373
Bond	400,000	25-Oct-2023	4-Oct-2033	4.875	91.463	19,500	6.07	23,044
Bond	315,000	14-May-2025	2-Jul-2034	4.857	103.331	15,300	4.65	14,766
Bond	365,000	14-May-2025	13-Jan-2035	5.625	104.441	20,531	5.28	19,570
Bond	400,000	6-Feb-2026	9-Oct-2035	4.652	99.041	16,722	4.78	17,078
Bond	400,000	27-Feb-2026	27-Feb-2036	4.750	100.000	15,981	4.75	15,981
Money market fund	260,000					13,727	3.45	13,727
Sub-total	8,340,000			3.59	98.838	299,449	3.92	327,653

25. Performance of the PGTF portfolio has been measured on a quarterly basis against a benchmark (i.e., 5-year U.S. Treasury) since the beginning of 2010 and the PGTF portfolio has consistently outperformed the benchmark until the first quarter of 2022. From this point the benchmark rates experienced a sharp increase, but adjustment of the PGTF portfolio to the new market conditions has been more gradual, subject to the securities' maturities, as shown on the table below:

Year	Benchmark (5-year U.S. Treasury)	PGTF	Benchmark (5-year U.S. Treasury)	PGTF	Benchmark (5-year U.S. Treasury)	PGTF	Benchmark (5-year U.S. Treasury)	PGTF
	1 st quarter		2 nd quarter		3 rd quarter		4 th quarter	
2010	2.41%	3.07%	2.23%	2.99%	1.53%	2.98%	1.49%	3.06%
2011	2.11%	3.21%	1.84%	3.30%	1.41%	3.28%	0.95%	3.16%
2012	0.89%	3.05%	0.78%	3.05%	0.66%	3.08%	0.69%	3.00%
2013	0.81%	3.15%	0.91%	3.07%	1.49%	2.88%	1.44%	2.83%
2014	1.60%	2.86%	1.65%	2.80%	1.69%	2.67%	1.59%	2.73%
2015	1.45%	2.74%	1.52%	2.73%	1.55%	2.73%	1.58%	2.73%
2016	1.36%	2.08%	1.24%	2.15%	1.12%	2.45%	1.61%	2.55%
2017	1.94%	2.62%	1.81%	2.56%	1.81%	2.59%	2.07%	2.61%
2018	2.52%	2.68%	2.76%	2.70%	2.81%	2.72%	2.88%	2.75%
2019	2.47%	2.82%	2.12%	2.77%	1.63%	2.68%	1.62%	2.59%
2020	1.17%	2.61%	0.36%	2.59%	0.27%	2.52%	0.37%	2.47%
2021	0.61%	2.44%	0.83%	2.45%	0.80%	2.43%	1.18%	2.41%
2022	1.83%	2.45%	2.95%	2.52%	3.23%	2.54%	3.99%	2.54%
2023	3.81%	2.60%	3.70%	2.72%	4.31%	2.86%	4.42%	2.99%
2024	4.11%	2.99%	4.47%	3.00%	3.81%	3.03%	4.13%	3.04%
2025	4.26%	3.03%	3.92%	3.14%	3.80%	3.46%	3.67%	3.45%
2026	3.77%	3.76%	4.10%	4.02%				

26. The adopted investment strategy represents the best option in the current scenario, resulting in estimated interest earnings of US\$ 327,653 for 2026. In addition, available resources for supporting projects in 2026 have increased by US\$ 171,946, coming from contributions by member countries since the last meeting of the Committee in July 2025 (US\$ 81,148) and non-recurrent items (US\$ 90,798). The latter are due to cancellation of one project (US\$ 25,000), utilization of unspent resources from the 2025 cycle (US\$ 39,952), realized foreign exchange gains from previous years (US\$ 26,058), and other minor adjustments (minus US\$ 212). In summary, total availability for 2026 is US\$ 499,599.

27. It should be noted that the average annual availability for the 2021-2026 period has been 10% lower than the average availability for the 2001-2010 and 2011-2020 periods. A breakdown of the annual availability of funds since 1990 is shown on the table below:

Year	Available resources (thousand US\$)	Year	Available resources (thousand US\$)	Year	Available resources (thousand US\$)	Year	Available resources (thousand US\$)
1990	1,218	2001	796	2011	408	2021	354
1991	644	2002	510	2012	406	2022	370
1992	900	2003	246	2013	424	2023	385
1993	600	2004	325	2014	407	2024	322
1994	300	2005	348	2015	454	2025	371
1995	880	2006	354	2016	435	2026	500
1996	800	2007	520	2017	506		
1997	843	2008	507	2018	427		
1998	1,294	2009	318	2019	413		
1999	462	2010	274	2020	355		
2000	408						
<i>Average 1990-2000</i>	759	<i>Average 2001-2010</i>	420	<i>Average 2011-2020</i>	424	<i>Average 2021-2026</i>	384

Sustainability of PGTF activities

28. PGTF was initially designed to operate solely based on the interest earnings of its core capital. This assumption remained valid during the first 13 years of operations of the Fund, due to a combination of prevailing high interest rates and a low demand for support, resulting from the initial limited awareness of the existence and potential of PGTF among the institutions of the developing world. Since the early 2000s this situation changed dramatically as interest rates plummeted, due to the policies adopted by the main world economies, while the demand for support grew significantly as awareness of the value and potential of PGTF increased and many institutions of the South approached the Fund with good project proposals.

29. The low interest rates environment prevailed for almost two decades and up to 2023 they remained at very low levels (below 3%), compounded during the Covid-19 years by the measures taken by the central banks and governments of the major economies to mitigate the negative economic of the pandemic. The resulting sharp increase of inflationary pressures worldwide has stimulated the central banks to adopt tightening policies, which resulted in important interest rates hikes starting in 2023.

30. The yield of the PGTF portfolio could only be adjusted gradually to the increase in interest rates as maturing securities were reinvested at higher rates. As a result, the yield has increased from 2.70% in 2023 to 3.92% estimated for 2026, representing a 43% increase in interest earnings in the last three years (from US\$ 229,000 in 2022 to US\$ 327,000 in 2026). However, interest earnings from the PGTF portfolio have remained at low levels and make it critical and urgent to supplement interest earnings with the mobilization of additional resources, if PGTF is to remain responsive to the requests for support and relevant as a catalytic financial mechanism of South-South cooperation. Moreover, even if the level of PGTF support has been preserved to a certain extent in nominal terms, due to the accumulated inflation it has decreased in real terms.

31. During the past 30 years, a sustained resource mobilization effort has been carried out mainly through appeals for contributions by the member countries of the Group of 77 made at the Annual Ministerial Meetings of the Group, as well as direct contacts with prospective contributors. The member countries responded to these appeals and to date PGTF has received contributions that totaled US\$ 4.6 million, including two US\$ 1 million contributions to the core capital, which was increased from the original US\$ 5 million to US\$ 7 million. The impact of these contributions has been equivalent to 116% of the earnings from the original US\$ 5 million core capital in the 2011-2026 period and contributed to partially offsetting the above-mentioned decline in interest rates that started in 2000.

32. These initiatives are commendable but unfortunately they are not enough in the present scenario, and a renewed resource-mobilization strategy is needed. In this connection, the Committee reiterated the recommendations made at previous meetings for developing detailed and time-bound plans, in consultation with the Chair of the Group of 77 and the Executive Secretariat of the Group, as soon as feasible. These recommendations to the Group of 77 are as follows:

- (1) The main objective of the resource mobilization effort should be to increase the core capital of PGTF to provide more predictability and growth potential for PGTF resources. Due to the hikes in interest rates, increasing the core capital and investing the resources in long-term securities is much more effective and meaningful compared to the previous extremely low-interest rate scenario, where yields of long-term securities were also extremely low. In this regard, the Committee recommended setting up a target that might represent stimulus for resource mobilization and in this regard, the Committee suggests setting an indicative target of increasing the core capital to at least US\$ 10 million, which represents an increase of US\$ 3 million over the current core capital.
- (2) The focus of the resource mobilization effort should be the member countries of the Group, while other potential donors should be approached in due course as a complement to the central role to

be played by the member countries. In this regard, the Committee suggested making targeted appeals to members in a position to make larger contributions.

- (3) The Committee also recommended to request members to consider becoming regular contributors to PGTF, with a view to instilling more predictability and stability to PGTF available resources. Currently, nine (9) member countries are regular contributors to PGTF, with an aggregate amount of around US\$ 90,000 per annum.
- (4) The Committee recommends further that, in addition to the regular appeal for contributions that is made at the Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group, a special appeal at the highest level for contributions to the core capital be made by the Chair of the Group.

33. Furthermore, the Committee identified several international institutions, including development funds and foundations, having the potential to contribute to the resources of PGTF. In this regard, the Committee will work with the Chair of the Group and the Executive Secretariat to define the most suitable approach and appropriate timing and prepare the required background documentation.

34. While developing and implementing the renewed resource-mobilization strategy, the Committee recommended continuing the existing one approved in 1996, with a focus on targeting prospective members of the Group in a position to make significant contributions that may contribute to maintaining the responsiveness and relevance of PGTF as a suitable support mechanism for South-South cooperation.

Expansion of PGTF resources

35. The Committee carried out its regular review of practical ways of implementing its recommendations regarding the expansion of the PGTF resources, as identified by the Committee and approved in 1996 by the 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77. Identified options available for expanding PGTF resources fall within one of the following three categories: (a) increase of the resources of PGTF; (b) increase of the yield of the PGTF portfolio; and (c) increase of the multiplier effect of PGTF resources through co-financing with other institutions.

(a) Increase of the resources of PGTF

36. This option consists of enlisting contributions from potential donors, which may include interested developing and developed countries as well as intergovernmental and non-governmental institutions and organizations. While the main source of contributions so far has been the member countries of the Group, the Committee felt that other avenues should be explored to supplement the efforts of the Group.

37. Cumulative contributions received by PGTF from 1997 up to 6 July 2026 amount to US\$ 4,785,479, distributed as follows:

<i>Contributors</i>	<i>Contributions (US\$)</i>	<i>%</i>
<i>Member countries of the Group of 77.....</i>	4,585,479	96
<i>International institutions.....</i>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>4</u>
TOTAL	4,785,479	100

A breakdown of these contributions is presented in the section below.

Contributions by member countries of the Group of 77

38. The Committee noted and welcomed ten (10) contributions received since the last meeting of the Committee (July 2025) by nine (9) member countries. These contributions totaled US\$ 81,148, as follows:

2025 (5) Argentina (US\$ 5,000 – 10th contribution)
Cambodia (US\$ 2,000 – 3rd contribution)
China (US\$ 18,000 - 20th contribution)
Philippines (US\$ 10,000 – 12th contribution)
Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 19th contribution)

2026 (5) Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 22nd contribution)
Azerbaijan (US\$ 10,000 – 3rd contribution)
Peru (US\$ 16,373 – 14th contribution)
South Africa (US\$ 5,775 – 24th contribution)
Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 20th contribution)

39. The Committee also noted the previous two-hundred-forty-eight (248) contributions made by fifty-seven (57) developing countries up to 11 July 2025, namely:

1997 (1) Mauritius (US\$ 500 – first contribution);

1998 (2) Pakistan (US\$ 1,000 – first contribution), and Singapore (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution);

1999 (8) Islamic Republic of Iran (US\$ 3,000 – first contribution), Democratic People's Republic of Korea (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Cyprus (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Thailand (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Malaysia (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Algeria (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), India (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), and Philippines (US\$ 1,500 – first contribution);

2000 (3) China (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Democratic People's Republic of Korea (US\$ 2,000 – 2nd contribution), and Peru (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution);

2001 (4) Egypt (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Democratic People's Republic of Korea (US\$ 2,000 – 3rd contribution), South Africa (US\$ 3,000 – first contribution), and Singapore (US\$ 2,000 – 2nd contribution);

2002 (5) United Republic of Tanzania (US\$ 5,000 – first contribution), Cyprus (US\$ 3,000 – 2nd contribution), Democratic People's Republic of Korea (US\$ 2,000 – 4th contribution), Thailand (US\$ 2,290 – 2nd contribution), and Egypt (US\$ 2,000 – 2nd contribution);

2003 (5) Indonesia (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Kuwait (US\$ 3,000 – first contribution), Cyprus (US\$ 2,775 – 3rd contribution), South Africa (US\$ 6,765 – 2nd contribution), and Democratic People's Republic of Korea (US\$ 2,000 – 5th contribution);

2004 (10) Qatar (US\$ 10,000 – first contribution), Thailand (US\$ 2,000 – 3rd contribution), Brazil (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 2nd contribution), Venezuela (one US\$ 1 million contribution to the core capital of PGTF and four contributions of US\$ 5,000 each), and Democratic People's Republic of Korea (US\$ 2,000 – 6th contribution);

2005 (8) Algeria (3rd and 4th contribution of US\$ 10,000 each), Namibia (US\$ 1,000), Islamic Republic of Iran (2nd and 3rd contribution of US\$ 10,000 each), South Africa (US\$ 8,188 – 3rd contribution), Venezuela (US\$ 5,000 – 6th contribution), and Democratic People's Republic of Korea (US\$ 2,000 – 7th contribution);

2006 (8) Singapore (US\$ 2,000 – 3rd contribution), Brazil (US\$ 20,000 – 2nd contribution), Pakistan (US\$ 5,000 – 2nd contribution), Philippines (US\$ 1,500 – 2nd contribution), Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 4,130), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 5th contribution), Venezuela (US\$ 10,000 – 7th contribution), and South Africa (US\$ 8,016 – 4th contribution);

- 2007 (6) Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 2nd contribution), South Africa (US\$ 6,667 – 5th contribution), Islamic Republic of Iran (US\$ 10,000 – 4th contribution), China (US\$ 20,000 – 2nd contribution), Venezuela (US\$ 10,000 – 8th contribution), and Uruguay (US\$ 5,000 – first contribution);
- 2008 (6) Antigua and Barbuda (first and second contribution of US\$ 5,000 each), South Africa (US\$ 7,645 – 6th contribution), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 6th contribution), Suriname (US\$ 1,500 – first contribution), and China (US\$ 20,000 – 3rd contribution);
- 2009 (12) Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 7th contribution), South Africa (US\$ 5,889 – 7th contribution), Jamaica (US\$ 1,000 – first contribution), Qatar (US\$ 10,000 – 2nd contribution), Uruguay (US\$ 5,000 – 2nd contribution), China (US\$ 20,000 – 4th contribution), Cameroon (a first contribution of US\$ 4,515 and a 2nd contribution of US\$ 4,461), Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 3rd contribution), Antigua and Barbuda (US\$ 5,000 – 3rd contribution), Lebanon (US\$ 2,000), and Chile (US\$ 5,000);
- 2010 (11) Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 8th contribution), Sudan (US\$ 10,000 – first contribution), Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 4th contribution), Egypt (US\$ 10,000 – 3rd contribution), Indonesia (US\$ 5,000 – 2nd contribution), South Africa (US\$ 7,822 – 8th contribution), Qatar (US\$ 20,000 – 3rd contribution), Madagascar (US\$ 1,000 – first contribution), Viet Nam (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Singapore (US\$ 2,000 – 4th contribution), and China (US\$ 20,000 – 5th contribution);
- 2011 (8) Kuwait (2nd contribution of US\$ 5,000 and 3rd contribution of US\$ 50,000), Argentina (US\$ 5,000 – first contribution), South Africa (US\$ 9,180 – 9th contribution), China (US\$ 20,000 – 6th contribution), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 9th contribution), Ecuador (US\$ 1,000 – first contribution), and Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 5th contribution);
- 2012 (12) Brunei Darussalam (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Afghanistan (1st and 2nd contributions of US\$ 1,000 each), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 10th contribution), Argentina (US\$ 15,000 – 2nd contribution), South Africa (US\$ 7,425 – 10th contribution), Peru (US\$ 20,000 – 2nd contribution), Uruguay (US\$ 5,000 – 3rd contribution), Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 6th contribution), Namibia (US\$ 2,000 – 2nd contribution), China (US\$ 20,000 – 7th contribution), and Indonesia (US\$ 7,000 – 3rd contribution);
- 2013 (14) Iraq (US\$ 5,000 – first contribution), Peru (US\$ 20,000 – 3rd contribution), South Africa (US\$ 6,794 – 11th contribution), Argentina (US\$ 5,000 – 3rd contribution), Indonesia (US\$ 7,000 – 4th contribution), United Arab Emirates (US\$ 20,000 – first contribution), Lao People's Democratic Republic (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution), Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 7th contribution), Uruguay (US\$ 5,000 – 4th contribution), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 11th contribution), Fiji (US\$ 10,000 – first contribution), China (US\$ 20,000 – 8th contribution), Mozambique (US\$ 5,000 – first contribution), and State of Palestine (US\$ 1,000 – first contribution);
- 2014 (9) South Africa (US\$ 5,755 – 12th contribution), Qatar (US\$ 20,000 – 4th contribution), United Arab Emirates (US\$ 20,000 – 2nd contribution), Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 8th contribution), China (US\$ 20,000 – 9th contribution), Peru (US\$ 18,697 – 4th contribution), Indonesia (US\$ 7,000 – 5th contribution), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 12th contribution), and Argentina (US\$ 5,000 – 4th contribution);
- 2015 (15) South Africa (US\$ 5,476 – 13th contribution), Chile (US\$ 5,000 – 2nd contribution), Viet Nam (US\$ 1,000 – 2nd contribution), Peru (US\$ 16,667 – 5th contribution), Afghanistan (US\$ 1,000 – 3rd contribution), China (US\$ 20,000 – 10th contribution), Sri Lanka (US\$ 5,000), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 13th contribution), Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 9th contribution), United Arab Emirates (US\$ 20,000 – 3rd contribution), Senegal (US\$ 9,628 – first contribution), Oman (US\$ 1,000,000 – contribution to core capital), Indonesia (US\$ 10,000 – 6th contribution), Bosnia and Herzegovina (US\$ 500 – first contribution), and Argentina (US\$ 5,000 – 5th contribution);
- 2016 (11) South Africa (US\$ 6,756 – 14th contribution), United Arab Emirates (US\$ 20,000 – 4th contribution), Argentina (US\$ 5,000 – 6th contribution), Chile (US\$ 5,000 – 3rd contribution), Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 10th contribution), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 14th contribution), Peru (US\$ 15,892 – 6th contribution), Thailand (US\$ 520,000 – 4th contribution), Viet Nam (US\$ 1,000 – 3rd contribution), China (US\$ 20,000 – 11th contribution), and Philippines (US\$ 10,000 – 3rd contribution);

- 2017 (13) Nepal (US\$ 5,000 – first contribution), Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 15th contribution), Jamaica (US\$ 1,000 – 2nd contribution), Chile (US\$ 5,000 – 4th contribution), Indonesia (7th and 8th contribution of US\$ 10,000 each), Peru (US\$ 16,024 – 7th contribution), South Africa (US\$ 5,484 – 15th contribution), United Arab Emirates (US\$ 20,000 – 5th contribution), Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 -11th contribution); Argentina (US\$ 5,000 – 7th contribution); China (US\$ 20,000 – 12th contribution); and Philippines (US\$ 5,000 - 4th contribution);
- 2018 (10) Lao People’s Democratic Republic (US\$ 2,000 – 2nd contribution); Philippines (US\$ 10,000 – 5th contribution); South Africa (US\$ 8,051 – 16th contribution); United Arab Emirates (US\$ 20,000 – 6th contribution); Mauritius (US\$ 10,000 – 2nd contribution); Chile (US\$ 5,000 – 5th contribution); China (US\$ 20,000 – 13th contribution); Indonesia (US\$ 10,000 – 9th contribution); Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 12th contribution); and Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 16th contribution);
- 2019 (10) Argentina (US\$ 5,000 – 8th contribution); South Africa (US\$ 5,673 – 17th contribution); Indonesia (US\$ 10,000 – 10th contribution); Peru (US\$ 11,770 – 8th contribution); State of Palestine (US\$ 2,000 – 2nd contribution); Chile (US\$ 5,000- 6th contribution); Philippines (US\$ 2,500 – 6th contribution); Kenya (US\$ 5,000 – first contribution); Qatar (US\$ 20,000 – 5th contribution); and China (US\$ 20,000 – 14th contribution);
- 2020 (9) Peru (US\$ 11,743 – 9th contribution); South Africa (US\$ 5,336 – 18th contribution); Philippines (US\$10,000 – 7th contribution); China (US\$ 20,000 – 15th contribution); Indonesia (US\$ 10,000 – 11th contribution); Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 13th contribution); United Arab Emirates (US\$ 10,000 – 7th contribution); and Algeria (US\$ 20,000 – 17th and 18th contribution of US\$ 10,000 each);
- 2021 (9) Mauritania (US\$ 3,942 – first contribution); Viet Nam (US\$ 1,000 – 4th contribution); Guinea (US\$ 10,000 – first contribution); Philippines (US\$ 10,000 – 8th contribution); South Africa (US\$ 6,006 and US\$ 6,542 – 19th and 20th contribution); Mauritius (US\$ 1,000 – 3rd contribution); Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 15th contribution); and China (US\$ 18,000 – 16th contribution);
- 2022 (10) Peru (US\$ 69,878 – 10th contribution and US\$ 18,051 – 11th contribution); Cambodia (US\$ 2,000 – first contribution); Qatar (US\$ 20,000 – 6th contribution); Philippines (US\$ 10,000 – 9th contribution); China (US\$ 18,000 – 17th contribution); Indonesia (US\$ 20,000 – 12th and 13th contribution of US\$ 10,000 each); South Africa (US\$ 5,676 – 21st contribution); and Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 15th contribution);
- 2023 (12) Cuba (US\$ 10,000 – first contribution); Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 19th contribution); Peru (US\$ 20,252 – 12th contribution); Philippines (US\$ 10,000 – 10th contribution); Mauritius (US\$ 1,000 – 4th contribution); Trinidad and Tobago (two contributions - US\$ 2,000 – 16th contribution and US\$ 15,000 – 17th contribution); Colombia (US\$ 10,000 – first contribution); Azerbaijan (US\$ 5,000 – first contribution); Timor-Leste (US\$ 1,100 – first contribution); Indonesia (US\$ 10,000 – 14th contribution); and China (US\$ 17,000 -18th contribution);
- 2024 (11) South Africa (US\$ 5,362 -22nd contribution); Zimbabwe (US\$ 1,000 – first contribution); Philippines (US\$ 10,000 – 11th contribution); Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 20th contribution); Peru (US\$20,133 – 13th contribution); Thailand (US\$ 5,000 – 5th contribution); China (US\$ 18,000 – 19th contribution); Trinidad and Tobago (US\$ 2,000 – 18th contribution); Cambodia (US\$ 2,000 – 2nd contribution); Indonesia (US\$ 10,000 – 15th contribution); and Argentina (US\$ 5,000 – 9th contribution);
- 2025 (6) Algeria (US\$ 10,000 – 21st contribution); South Africa (US\$ 5,875 – 23rd contribution); Jamaica (US\$ 10,000 – 3rd contribution); Zimbabwe (US\$ 2,000 – 2nd contribution); Azerbaijan (US\$ 10,000 – 2nd contribution); and Colombia (US\$ 10,000 – 2nd contribution),

40. In summary, PGTF has received two-hundred-fifty-eight (258) contributions from fifty-seven (57) developing countries up to 7 July 2026. Total amount paid of these contributions is US\$ 4,585,479, including two contributions to its core capital of US\$ 1 million each made respectively by Venezuela and Oman. A breakdown of the contributions by size is presented below:

<i>Size of contributions</i>	<i>Number of countries</i>	<i>Number of contributions</i>	<i>Total contributed (US\$)</i>	<i>% of total</i>	<i>Average contribution (US\$)</i>
Smaller contributions (up to US\$ 5,000)	48	124	358,213	7.8	2,890
Larger contributions (more than US\$ 5,000)	24	132	2,227,266	48.6	16,870
Contributions to PGTF core capital	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>43.6</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
TOTAL	57 (*)	258	4,585,479	100.0	17,770

(*) Seventeen countries have made both smaller and larger contributions.

41. The Committee also noted with satisfaction that thirty-five (35) developing countries have made multiple contributions to PGTF, namely South Africa (twenty-four separate contributions); Algeria (twenty-two contributions); China, and Trinidad and Tobago (twenty contributions each); Indonesia (fifteen contributions); Peru (fourteen contributions); Philippines (twelve contributions); Argentina (ten contributions); Venezuela (eight contributions); Democratic People's Republic of Korea and United Arab Emirates (seven contributions each); Chile and Qatar (six contributions each); Thailand (five contributions); Islamic Republic of Iran, Mauritius, Singapore, Uruguay, and Viet Nam (four contributions each); Afghanistan, Antigua and Barbuda, Azerbaijan, Cambodia, Cyprus, Egypt, Jamaica, and Kuwait (three contributions each); Brazil, Cameroon, Colombia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Namibia, Pakistan, the State of Palestine, and Zimbabwe (two contributions each). The Committee invited other countries to follow this encouraging example.

42. As indicated in paragraphs 15-20 of the report of its special meeting held in June 2003, the Committee recommended two mutually supportive approaches to enlist contributions from member countries of the Group of 77, namely (i) to request smaller contributions (i.e. a notional amount of US\$ 2,000 was suggested) from all member countries as a sign of the commitment of the largest possible number; and (ii) to request larger contributions from member countries in a position to contribute more.

43. The Doha Plan of Action, adopted by the Second South Summit, held in Doha from 12 to 16 June 2005, and the Outcome Document adopted by the Third South Summit, held on Kampala on 21 and 22 January 2004, welcomed the results achieved so far by PGTF in support of South-South cooperation and called upon all countries to support the expansion of PGTF resources.

Contributions by international institutions

44. Consultations have been held with several international institutions aimed at exploring their interest in either making contributions to PGTF resources or co-financing projects with PGTF. The experience so far indicates that a flexible and practical approach should be adopted to find common grounds for undertaking joint activities from the point of view of both areas of interest or priority and working procedures.

45. In late 2006, a Grant Agreement was signed by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and PGTF, providing for a contribution of US\$ 200,000 over a two (2) year period. This contribution provided support to six (6) projects that were successfully completed (cf. INT/08/K02, INT/08/K05 and INT/08/K09 in 2007, and INT/10/K01, INT/10/K02 and INT/10/K11 in 2009). A small unspent balance of US\$ 11,300 was reimbursed to IFAD.

Contributions by other institutions

46. Consultations have been held in the past with several private foundations aimed at exploring their interest in making contributions to PGTF resources. There have been no positive results so far, mainly due to the difficulties in matching mandates, areas of interest, project cycles and operating modalities of the institutions approached and those of PGTF. Other foundations have been identified and will be approached to explore their interest and potential as contributors to PGTF resources.

Impact of contributions to PGTF resources

47. Due to the sizeable reduction in interest rates in recent years, contributions have become more critical in supplementing interest earnings and thus partially preserving the responsiveness of PGTF to the growing demand for supporting South-South cooperation. As indicated in the table below, in 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026 (up to 6 July 2026) contributions respectively increased by 143, 136, 90, 72, 65 and 46 percent of the resources provided by interest earnings of the initial core capital.

48. Impact of new contributions on PGTF resources for the 2021-2026 period is shown in the table below:

Impact of new contributions	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
<i>Number of new contributions by member countries to PGTF general resources.....</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>5(*)</i>
Member countries contributions to PGTF general resources (US\$)	58,500	165,600	111,400	88,500	84,900	44,100
Annual tranche Thailand contribution, incl. interest earnings from unspent balance (US\$)	104,000					
Interest earnings from US\$ 2 million contributions to PGTF core capital (US\$).....	<u>51,000</u>	<u>51,000</u>	<u>50,500</u>	<u>50,300</u>	<u>54,200</u>	<u>72,700</u>
Sub-total new contributions (US\$)	213,500	216,600	161,900	138,800	139,100	116,800
Interest earnings from initial 5 million PGTF core capital (US\$).....	<u>149,200</u>	<u>159,400</u>	<u>179,300</u>	<u>193,200</u>	<u>213,900</u>	<u>255,000</u>
TOTAL (US\$)	362,700	376,000	341,200	332,000	353,000	371,800
New contributions as a percentage of interest earnings of initial core capital (%)	143	136	90	72	65	46

(*) Jan-Jul

(b) Increase of the yield of the PGTF portfolio

49. Investment strategies adopted by PGTF aim at taking advantage of prevailing market conditions at any given moment, bearing in mind that preservation of PGTF core resources should be the paramount consideration when exploring investment options. In 2003, following a request by the Committee of Experts, the UNDP Investment Committee approved that up to 20 percent of PGTF portfolio could be invested in securities issued by supranational and government agencies with up to ten-year maturities to increase returns. Following further requests by the Committee of Experts in 2014 and 2015, the UNDP Investment Committee approved total flexibility regarding the share of maturities exceeding five years in PGTF portfolio. Given current market conditions, 47.7 percent of PGTF portfolio has been invested in securities with maturities between five and ten years, compared to 24.5% in 2024. Likewise, the weighted average maturity of the portfolio increased from 38 months in 2024 to 59 months by end-June 2026,

(c) Increase of the multiplier effect of PGTF resources through co-financing with other institutions

50. Since the launching of PGTF operations in 1986, the impact of PGTF-funded projects has been increased by the mobilization of resources from other sources, which up to end-2025 totaled US\$ 32.0 million, that is US\$1.85 for every US\$1 of PGTF contributions. As an example, a list of selected regional and international institutions that have co-financed projects with PGTF is shown in the table below:

Co-financing Regional and international institution	Number of projects co-financed	Contribution by co-financing institution (US\$)	PGTF contribution (US\$)
International Center for Small Hydropower (IC-SHP)	18	1,504,300	683,000
Latin American Economic System (SELA)	18	1,345,000	675,000
Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development (ICCD)	18	859,900	553,000
Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)	4	710,000	225,000

Co-financing Regional and international institution	Number of projects co-financed	Contribution by co-financing institution (US\$)	PGTF contribution (US\$)
Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet)	8	683,000	220,100
Third World Network (TWN)	2	323,000	180,000
Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Science & Technology Center	5	238,000	149,000
Interamerican Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)	4	208,600	160,000
Inter Press Service (IPS)	4	194,600	265,800
Caribbean Council of Science and Technology (CCST)	5	184,500	150,000
International Cooperative Alliance (American Regional Bureau)	2	164,000	126,500
United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)	2	148,000	87,000
Sub-total	90	6,562,900	3,474,400
Other co-financing institutions (29)	37	5,044,500	2,652,500
TOTAL (41 institutions)	127	11,607,400	6,126,900

51. The Committee recommended continuing consultations with these institutions, as well as with other institutions interested in co-financing projects with the PGTF, to identify further opportunities for enhancing the multiplier effect of PGTF resources.

52. In addition to the case-by-case approach established in guideline A(m) for utilization of PGTF, which requires that all proposals submitted to PGTF should include inputs from other sources of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF, efforts have been made to achieve structured agreements with some institutions, aimed at providing more continuity and predictability to co-financing activities. However, experience has proven that established priorities, legal and financial regulations, and working procedures of many institutions render it difficult to go beyond the case-by-case approach.

Review of the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources

53. The Committee, as part of its regular review of PGTF operations and performance, examined the existing set of guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources. In this regard, the Committee's opinion was that the existing guidelines provide a clear and practical framework regarding the criteria for eligibility of proposals, appraisal and evaluation of project proposals, project approval, coordination, and follow-up, and concluded that no amendments or additions are needed at the present stage.

54. One important task of the Committee, as required by guideline B(b), is to recommend for approval a list of proposals in order of priority with the respective allocation of resources. In this regard, when the resources requested by eligible proposals exceed the availability of resources, a ranking of proposals is necessary and the allocation of resources is based on the specific merits of the proposals, country coverage, multiplier effect of PGTF resources, and equitable geographical distribution.

55. The practical implication of the above combination of criteria is that a two-round process of prioritization is carried out when there are imbalances between the number of eligible proposals submitted by institutions from a given country and the total number of eligible proposals, or when the total number of eligible proposals largely exceed resources available. In this regard, the first prioritization round takes place among the proposals from the same country, and the second round includes all eligible proposals. In the first round of prioritization, several criteria are utilized to rank the proposals coming from the same country, including both formal and substantive elements. On the one hand, factors such as number of participating countries, other inputs to the project, the minimum contribution required to launch the project, nature of the submitting institution and its participation in previous PGTF-supported projects, among others, are considered within the formal elements. On the other hand, substantive elements are the priority areas addressed by the project; short and medium-term impact, including capacity building, employment generation, health, and sustainable development-related matters; substance of the project; reasonability of the budget structure; and collective judgement by the Committee regarding relative priorities of the proposals. With a view to ensuring that the funding provided to the proposals selected is meaningful for implementing the projects and that

available resources are not spread too thin, some eligible proposals having a lower relative priority would **not** avail from the financing of PGTF at this time.

Operating arrangements

56. The Committee examined the operating arrangements of PGTF and agreed to focus on follow up of the implementation of approved projects and dissemination of information on PGTF.

57. The Committee would like to commend the Executive Secretariat of the Group for the excellent support provided in the preparation, servicing, and follow-up of the present meeting, which enabled a better decision-making process by the Committee.

58. Likewise, the documentation prepared by the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) for the meeting of the Committee, including the financial status of PGTF, commitments of PGTF to approved projects, availability of resources to support new projects, collection of final reports of completed projects and detailed information of progress made in the implementation of ongoing projects, provided accurate and reliable information that facilitated the work of the Committee and led to a better decision-making process. The Committee commended the excellent work of the UNOSSC staff in this regard and noted that seven of the eleven projects approved by the 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 in September 2025 were already under implementation, because of continued follow-up and more efficient processing. However, there is still room for improvement, as identified in the report of UNOSSC and based on their assessment of difficulties and bottlenecks encountered in the implementation process. In particular, the Committee noted in the report that there are eighteen (18) projects approved from 2019 to 2024 for which there have been no disbursements to date. The Committee requested UNOSSC to examine this matter with the respective UNDP country offices and report on the outcome as soon as feasible.

59. The Committee supports all efforts geared at streamlining and making more efficient the implementation process, and in this regard welcomed the three recommendations contained in the UNOSSC report, namely (a) to strengthen follow-up with UNDP country offices on project setup and implementation progress to help address delays and facilitate timely project delivery; (b) continue engagement with the country offices and, where appropriate, elevate implementation challenges to UNDP senior management to discuss and facilitate the resolution of outstanding issues, reinforce alignment on implementation responsibilities, and support the timely operationalization of approved projects; and (c) to include a provision in the project initiation documents requiring annual progress updates from UNDP country offices to support systematic monitoring, record keeping and timely follow-up. The Committee looks forward to the successful implementation of these recommendations.

60. The Committee would also like to commend the excellent documentation and analysis by the UNDP Investment Unit regarding the situation and outlook of the financial markets, as well as the identification of suitable reinvestment opportunities of the proceeds of maturing securities, which contributed to achieving a higher interest income compared to initial expectations.

61. The Committee was informed that the information available in the PGTF section of the website of the Group of 77 (www.g77.org) has been updated and expanded and that the summaries of completed projects posted on the website are available in English, French and Spanish, as a means of facilitating access to the information contained in the full texts of the final reports, posted in their original languages. So far 279 final reports in their original languages were posted on the website, covering the following priority areas: food and agriculture (71 reports), consulting services, training and other TCDC activities (88 reports), trade (18 reports), technology (26 reports), information exchange and dissemination (11 reports), and other (65 reports). Translation into French and Spanish of the summaries of the eleven (11) projects completed since the last meeting of the Committee is currently underway.

62. The Committee noted that, even though many institutions of the South have already approached PGTF and are familiar with the guidelines and procedures for submitting proposals, newcomers may find some difficulties in interpreting the requisites for applying for PGTF support. To this end, the Committee reiterated its recommendations made in previous meetings:

- (a) to request preparation by the Executive Secretariat of the Group of 77 of a small brochure on PGTF, containing the guidelines in all the working languages of the Group, the model format, the checklist, a short list of the key indicators of PGTF performance, and a list of frequently asked questions. This brochure would provide quick and user-friendly guidance to those institutions interested in approaching PGTF and submitting proposals.
- (b) to consider preparation of an institutional video presentation on PGTF, displaying its key features, which could serve as a vibrant and attractive marketing tool to increase awareness and promote the Fund through any appropriate means, including social media.

Survey of the impact of PGTF

63. Based on the recommendation of the Committee at its twelfth meeting in 1997, a survey on the impact and benefits of the projects funded by PGTF was initiated in 1998, with a view to supporting the promotion of the Fund. To date the Executive Secretariat of the Group of 77 has received information on 272 of the 323 PGTF-supported projects that have been completed. A summary of the results of the survey is presented in Annex III of this report.

III. CONSIDERATION OF NEW PROJECT PROPOSALS

64. The Committee had before it thirty-six (36) project proposals submitted to PGTF prior to the established deadline of 30 April 2026. The titles of these proposals are listed below:

- (1) *Neglected zoonosis in Latin America: trilateral cooperation for the identification of novel treatment and diagnosis candidates of cestodiasis.*
- (2) *Enhancing diagnostic capacities, prevention and control of hydatid disease (HD) in dogs, sheep, goats, cattle, camels and humans, with emphasis on their pathology and epidemiology in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Yemen, and Jordan.*
- (3) *Enhancing diagnostic capacities, prevention and control of sheep and goat pox, and lumpy skin disease, with emphasis on their pathology and epidemiology in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Jordan.*
- (4) *Development of technologies for extracting lithium from Cuban rock salt: energy transition for a shared future.*
- (5) *Development of alternatives for scandium (Sc) recovery from lateritic minerals and industrial residues based on energy transition and a sustainable shared future.*
- (6) *Regional health security: strengthening the capacities of inspectors from Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica, Panama, Dominican Republic, and El Salvador for the detection and control of counterfeit and substandard medicines linked to organized crime.*
- (7) *Strengthening sustainable non-timber uses of the forests of the Chaco Park for their conservation and socioeconomic wellbeing of peasant communities.*
- (8) *Workshop on enhancing SME competitiveness through digital trade and Islamic finance.*
- (9) *Safe digital futures in Latin America: a regional program on digital citizenship for children and adolescents.*
- (10) *Dioctophyme renale: a zoonotic disease affecting domestic dogs and wild carnivores from South America. Technical cooperation for improving diagnosis and surveillance.*
- (11) *Assessing regulatory frameworks for implementing the AfCFTA digital trade protocol in SADC countries: a South-South capacity building and peer exchange initiative.*

- (12) *Improving water leakage management systems – Applying scientific collaboration towards climate resilient communities.*
- (13) *Strengthening of an Argentina-Colombia-Uruguay network as a regional scalable model for the surveillance of a neglected human oncovirus.*
- (14) *Phenolic bioproduct and nanoparticles in the in vitro propagation of sugarcane and vanilla.*
- (15) *In-depth study of sugarcane wax as a basis for a sustainable biorefinery: agro-industrial characterization and evaluation of extraction technologies through South-South cooperation.*
- (16) *Evaluation and implementation of combined schemes for the production of sugar, bioenergy, bioethanol, and animal feed in an agro-industrial enterprise applying circular economy.*
- (17) *Caribbean cooperation for the development of marine bioproducts with application in health and environmental sustainability.*
- (18) *Development and introduction of cultivars with tolerance to different types of abiotic stress with a focus on circular agriculture and utilization of sustainable production technologies.*
- (19) *Strengthening of capacities for biodiversity monitoring and ecosystems management in biosphere reserves of Cuba, Mexico and Brazil: South-South cooperation among Sierra del Rosario, Sierra de Manatlan, and Refugio de Vida Silvestre Mata de Junco.*
- (20) *Latin America network for the scientific and technical development of ergonomics laboratories with impact on strategic sectors of the countries.*
- (21) *Accelerating regional food security through South-South cooperation: scaling up standardized rice-fish integrated farming systems in Cambodia, Thailand and Laos.*
- (22) *Scaling climate-smart mushroom cultivation in Nepal, Pakistan and Bangladesh through South-South cooperation with China.*
- (23) *Exchange and promotion of key technologies for the sustainable supply and regulation of water resources in reservoir water-sourced areas for ecological, production, and livelihood needs in Asian countries.*
- (24) *Supporting Pacific Island countries in building technological capacity for efficient production and processing of specialty beverage crops.*
- (25) *Technological training and demonstration of photovoltaic reverse osmosis unit for safe drinking water in rural areas of Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia.*
- (26) *Composting technology guidelines for farmers in Andean countries.*
- (27) *Extended Reality (XR)-enabled manufacturing skills training for industrial transformation in developing countries.*
- (28) *Training and promotion of oil crops cultivation techniques in Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Angola.*
- (29) *Demonstration and promotion of high-value utilization technologies of marine biological resources in developing countries.*
- (30) *Regional digital architecture: governance, innovation and technology financing for sustainable development in Latin America and the Caribbean through South-South and Triangular cooperation mechanisms.*
- (31) *Feasibility study and development of an alternative to the dimensional method for the calibration of a bell-piston prover gas flow standard.*
- (32) *Productive territories: Female entrepreneurial ecosystem in Latin American rural communities.*
- (33) *Strengthening South-South cooperation for community-based management of native seeds in Latin America.*
- (34) *Strengthening technical and entrepreneurial skills in sustainable energy in West and Central Africa.*

- (35) *Circular economy and quality management for food security in rural communities of Panama, Cuba and Colombia.*
- (36) *Food safety and security using appropriate innovative technology.*

Project proposal No. 1 – *Neglected zoonosis in Latin America: trilateral cooperation for the identification of novel treatment and diagnosis candidates of cestodiasis.*

65. The Institute of Research on Microbiology and Medical Parasitology, under the National Research Council of Argentina (CONICET) and the University of Buenos Aires, based in Buenos Aires, Argentina, directly submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Mexico (through the Institute of Biomedical Research of the National Autonomous University of Mexico - UNAM, based in Mexico City) and Uruguay (through the University of the Republic, based in Montevideo).

66. Cestodes parasites are flatworms that are passively transmitted between the hosts that comprise their life cycles and infect almost all vertebrate species. They cause diseases such as echinococcosis and cysticercosis, produced by the establishment and/or proliferation of the nematode (larval stage) of *Echinococcus spp.* and *Taenia solium*, respectively. These zoonoses are among the most severe cosmopolitan parasitosis of humans classified as priority neglected tropical diseases by the WHO. In both humans and animals, these pathogens cause chronic diseases, and their eradication is still a distant goal given the low implementation of available vaccines. Recently, it was demonstrated that cestode stem cells are the only cell type responsible for parasite growth and differentiation, processes that require the expression of specific genes, including small regulatory RNAs such as microRNA. Hence, interfering with stem cell proliferation would be key to reducing the prevalence and morbidity rates of cestodiasis.

67. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at characterizing the stem cells of *Taenia crossiceps*, a parasite used as laboratory model for the study of cestodes. The project will deepen into the role of stem cells in parasite survival and establishment, profile their microRNA fingerprint and determine if they influence microRNA secretion. The final objective is to identify new treatment targets as well as sensitive biomarkers of parasite viability useful to assess responsiveness to treatment.

68. The total cost of the project, to be implemented over a two (2) year period, is estimated at US\$ 150,218, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 33,800. Inputs from other sources (US\$ 116,418) will be provided by the National Research Council of Argentina – CONICET (US\$ 91,000) and the National Agency of Promotion of Science and Technology (US\$ 25,418). If PGTF cannot allocate the resources requested in full, the project would need a minimum PGTF contribution of US\$ 28,000 to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is presented in the table below:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	8,300	(*)	(*)
Non-expendable equipment	5,500	(*)	(*)
Consumables and reagents	15,000	(*)	(*)
RNA sequencing	5,000	(*)	(*)
Other	0	(*)	(*)
Total	33,800	116,418	150,218

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

69. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

70. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 2 - Enhancing diagnostic capacities, prevention and control of hydatid disease (HD) in dogs, sheep, goats, cattle, camels and humans, with emphasis on their pathology and epidemiology in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Yemen, and Jordan.

71. The Association for Innovation, Production and Action (AIPA), based in Irbid-Jordan, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Jordan to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Afghanistan (through the Faculty of Veterinary Science of the Kabul University, based in Kabul), Algeria (through the Institute of Veterinary Science of the University of Tiaret, based in Tiaret), Egypt (through the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Cairo University, based in Cairo), Pakistan (through the Pakistan Agricultural Research Council, based in Islamabad), Tunisia (through the National School of Veterinary Medicine of the Manouba University, based in Sidi Thabet), and Yemen (through the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Tamar University, based in Dhamar).

72. Human cystic echinococcosis (CE) is a worldwide distributed parasitic zoonotic disease, which represents a threat to both humans and animals. CE infections occur between 2 and 3 million each year worldwide, out of which hydatidosis (HD) accounts for about 95% of these infections. Dogs and other carnivorous animals (cats, wolves, jackals, and foxes) are the reservoir and final hosts, while many domestic animal species and humans are considered the intermediate hosts. The adult form of this parasite lives in the small intestines of dogs, shedding millions of eggs through their feces to the environment. When these eggs are swallowed by animals or humans through food and/or water, it results in the cystic form (HD) in different internal organs, namely lungs, liver, brains, spinal cords, kidneys and others of these animal species including humans. The cysts can grow large enough to prevent affected organ from working properly. The cysts can also rupture, which can lead to life threatening complications. Signs of ruptured hydatid cyst may include serious allergic reaction and anaphylaxis, severe abdominal pain and sudden death. In third world countries, like the participating countries, slaughter of animals outside slaughterhouses is a common practice, allowing butchers to throw the organs with hydatid cysts to the environment, which is a very vital source for infection of stray dogs and wild animals.

73. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at enhancing and upgrading understanding, through expert discussion and presentations, of the mode of transmission of HD, its biological cycle and the role of stray dogs in transmission of the disease, prevention and its control measures with emphasis on biosecurity and biosafety of HD and its transmission to humans and animals in the region. Specific objectives are (a) to enable sharing of expertise on source, mode of transmission, disease's cycle, biosecurity and biosafety of HD in animals and humans among the participating countries; (b) to facilitate transfer of knowledge and new diagnostic techniques; (c) to exchange information on the pathology, mechanism and prevalence and status of HD in the region; (d) to increase the human resource capacity in the diagnosis laboratories; (e) to increase awareness on how to use the best control measures to prevent its transmission; (f) to increase the awareness of farmers, animals scientists, and the public health personnel on the epidemiology and the transmission of HD; (g) to enhance the communication between and among the stakeholders; and (h) to produce a report on the status of this group of diseases in the region.

74. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. The Government of Jordan will provide the other input to the project (i.e. US\$ 35,000). According to the supporting documentation, if PGTF cannot

provide the full amount of the resources requested, the project cannot be launched. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	18,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	4,000	(*)	(*)
Training	6,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	1,000	(*)	(*)
Other	6,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

75. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

76. This proposal received a relatively higher priority compared to others from the same country and was selected to be supported. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 31,000 be allocated to this end

Project proposal No. 3 - Enhancing diagnostic capacities, prevention and control of sheep and goat pox, and lumpy skin disease, with emphasis on their pathology and epidemiology in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Jordan.

77. The Diplomacy for Global Health and Food Security DGHFS), based in Irbid, Jordan submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Jordan to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Afghanistan (through the Health Ministry of Afghanistan and the Faculty of Veterinary Science of the Kabul University, both based in Kabul), Algeria (through the Institute of Veterinary Sciences of the University of Tiaret, based in Tiaret), Egypt (through the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Damanhour University, based in Damanhour, and the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Cairo University, based in Cairo), Pakistan (through the Pakistan Agricultural Research Council - PARC, based in Islamabad), and Tunisia (through the National School of Veterinary Medicine of the Manouba University, based in Sidi Thabet)..

78. Three endemic capri-pox infectious diseases, namely sheep pox (SP), goat pox (GP) and lumpy skin (LS) disease of cattle are transboundary diseases, characterized by the World Organization of Animal Health as notifiable diseases. They are common in Asia, Africa and the Middle East. Sheep and goats are considered in general as current assets of small farmers and have significant economic value in terms of meat, wool and skin/hide production mainly in the southern part of the world. Asia and Africa together contribute more than 75% of the world's sheep and goat population. The capri-pox viruses spread through aerosols generated from infected animals or through direct abraded skin and/or mucosal contact or indirectly through mechanical transmission by vectors. The major reasons for the prevalence of SP, GP and LS diseases include low production and coverage of the vaccines, poor quality management, transboundary movement of infected animals and animal products, and grazing in common pastures with poor quality water. Proper vaccination, vector control, restrictions on importing animals and animal products from affected countries, quarantine measures, disease surveillance programs, quick and early diagnosis of infectious agent with typing and stamping-out of infection would be possible measures for controlling the emergence and preventing the re-

emergence and incursion of LS disease. Moreover, proper disposal of carcasses and infected materials, disinfection of affected sites and strict movement control should also be followed for complete protection.

79. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at enhancing and upgrading understanding, through expert discussion and presentations, of the size of the problem and extent of the occurrence of the three diseases (SP, GP and LS). Specific objectives are (a) to enable sharing of expertise on source, mode of transmission, biosecurity and biosafety of the three diseases in animals in the participating countries ; (b) to facilitate transfer of knowledge and new diagnostic techniques; (c) to exchange information on the pathology, mechanism of prevalence and status of the three diseases in animals in the region; (d) to increase the human resource capacity in the diagnosis laboratories; (e) to increase awareness of how to use the best control measures; (f) to increase the awareness of farmers, animal scientists and the public health personnel on the epidemiology and transmission of these diseases; (g) to enhance the communication between all stakeholders; and (h) to produce a report on the status of these human and animals diseases in the region.

80. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other input to the project (US\$ 35,000) would be provided by the Government of Jordan. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	17,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	4,000	(*)	(*)
Training	7,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	1,000	(*)	(*)
Other	6,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

81. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

82. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 4 - Development of technologies for extracting lithium from Cuban rock salt: energy transition for a shared future

83. The Research Center for the Mining and Metallurgical Industry (*Centro de Investigaciones para la Industria Minero Metalúrgica* – CIPIMM), based in Havana, Cuba, directly submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Argentina (through the Institute for Chemical Technology Research – INTEQUI - of the National San Luis University – UNSL, based in San Luis) and Dominican Republic (through the Technological University of Western Cibao – UTECO, based in Cotuí, Sanchez Ramirez province). Confirmation of the participation of the Institute for Multipurpose Utilization of Mineral Resources, based in Zhengzhou, China, as strategic technical partner is awaited.

84. Rock salt deposits in Cuba, in particular the Punta Alegre Salt Dome were discovered in the 1930s but

the first well was only drilled in 1958, initially for oil exploration, which drilled through gypsum and salt layers contained in limestone, dolomites and others. Evaluations carried out in 1960s only focused on chlorine, sulfates, sodium, magnesium and potassium, and the possible existence of other elements, including lithium, would add further value to an already economically import deposit.

85. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at researching and validating an integrated and sustainable technological process for the extraction of lithium from brines of the salt domes. Core activities include: (a) current state-of-the-art review, and geology and characterization of the deposit; (b) market study, including demand, prices and trends; (c) exchanges among specialists and researchers from the participating countries, ranging from geological resources to materials exploitation and marketing; (d) sampling of brines and oil production residual waters, as well as chemical, mineralogical, and physical-mechanical characterization of the samples; (e) determination of the most suitable technologies, including pretreatment of brines and residual waters, direct lithium extraction, and purification methods; and (f) assessment of the technical and economic viability, water and energy consumption, and treatment and disposition of spent brines, as well as possible commercialization of by-products.

86. The total cost of the project is estimated at US\$ 35,000 the totality of which is the contribution requested from PGTF. There is no indication of the duration of the project in the supporting documentation. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Travel	8,000	0	8,000
Training	5,000	0	5,000
Laboratory tests	10,000	0	10,000
Characterization	5,000	0	5,000
Other	7,000	0	7,000
Total	35,000	0	35,000

87. The Committee noted that the same institution had submitted two proposals for this project cycle, namely proposals No. 4 and 5. Considering that proposing entities may submit no more than one (1) proposal per annum, according to guideline A(d) for utilization of PGTF resources, both proposals would be taken up jointly and, if both are eligible, only one could be supported. Regarding proposal No. 4, the Committee noted that it does not comply with two of the guidelines, namely A(f) and A(m). Guideline A(f) states that, for nationally executed projects, the cooperative component of the project must be established through the identification and declared interest of and explicit participation by other developing countries as potential beneficiaries in the activities of the project, as appropriate. Accordingly, written evidence of endorsement or declared interest should be part of the proposal. The Committee observed that no endorsement letters have been included in the supporting documentation. Furthermore, the proposal contains no input from other sources, as required by guideline A(m), which states that proposals should contain inputs from other sources of an amount at least equal to the resources requested from PGTF.

88. The Committee therefore concluded that, as submitted, this proposal is not eligible for funding, and recommended that it should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 5 - Development of alternatives for scandium (Sc) recovery from lateritic minerals and industrial residues based on energy transition and a sustainable shared future

89. The Research Center for the Mining and Metallurgical Industry (*Centro de Investigaciones para la Industria Minero Metalúrgica* – CIPIMM), based in Havana, Cuba, directly submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Argentina (through the Institute for Chemical Technology Research – INTEQUI - of the National San Luis University – UNSL, based in San Luis) and Dominican Republic (through the Technological University of Western Cibao – UTECO, based in Cotuí, Sanchez Ramirez province). Confirmation of the participation of the Institute for Multipurpose Utilization of Mineral Resources, based in Zhengzhou, China, as strategic technical partner is awaited.

90. Geological resources and minerals reserves existing in Cuba and Dominican Republic having exploitable contents of Scandium (Sc) are suitable for identification of valuable elements and analysis of options for the most rational and efficient recovery of Scandium, with a view to maximizing recovery of elements of economic interest and diversifying productions to obtain high value-added products.

91. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at assessing technological options for recovering scandium (Sc) contained in lateritic minerals and industrial residues from Dominican Republic and Cuba. Core activities include: (a) current state-of-the-art review; (b) analysis of the various methods for concentration and physical-mechanical activation, ambient pressure leaching, recovery through ion exchange resins and/or solvent extraction, and precipitation of the Scandium-rich stream (c) analysis of direct and combined application of the foregoing methods to identify technological alternatives sustained on the energy transition, and validation of the characterization procedures currently utilized in the participating countries; and (d) exchange of experiences among engineers, technicians and researchers from the participating countries.

92. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in sixteen (16) months, is estimated at US\$ 80,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 45,000 in kind) would be provided by the participating institutions. A breakdown of the total cost is presented in the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	8,000	(*)	(*)
Training	5,000	(*)	(*)
Laboratory tests	10,000	(*)	(*)
Characterization	5,000	(*)	(*)
Other	7,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	45,000	80,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

93. The Committee noted that the same institution had submitted two proposals for this project cycle, namely proposals No. 4 and 5. Considering that proposing entities may submit no more than one (1) proposal per annum, according to guideline A(d) for utilization of PGTF resources, both proposals would be taken up jointly and, if both are eligible, only one could be supported. Regarding proposal No.5, the Committee considered that this proposal does not comply with guideline A(f) for utilization for PGTF resources, which requires that for nationally executed projects to be eligible, the cooperative component of the project should be established through the identification and declared interest of and explicit participation by the other participating countries as potential beneficiaries of the activities of the project. Accordingly, written evidence of endorsement should be part of the proposal. In the supporting documentation, the institutions of the other participating countries were identified, but **no** endorsement letters were included.

94. The Committee therefore considered that this proposal, as submitted, is not eligible for funding and recommended that it should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 6 – Regional health security: strengthening the capacities of inspectors from Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica, Panama, Dominican Republic, and El Salvador for the detection and control of counterfeit and substandard medicines linked to organized crime.

95. The Superintendence of Sanitary Regulation, based in San Salvador, El Salvador, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of El Salvador to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Costa Rica (through the Ministry of Health, based in San Jose), Dominican Republic (through the Directorate General for Medicines, Food and Health Products, based in Santo Domingo), Guatemala (through the Ministry of Public Health and Social Assistance, based in Guatemala City), Honduras (through the Health Regulatory Agency -ARSA, based in Tegucigalpa), and Panama (through the National Directorate of Pharmacy and Drugs, based in Panama City).

96. The sanitary regulation authorities of /the Central American region face many daily challenges, one of the most relevant being the growing circulation of counterfeit and substandard medicines, which represents a direct threat to public health because of these products may result in avoidable morbidity, toxicity, therapeutic failures, development of resistance to treatments, and confidence loss of the population in the health systems. Medicine counterfeiting is a long-standing practice that, over time, has consolidated as a worldwide problem, mainly driven by the huge economic benefits perceived by illicit networks, both industrialized and developing countries. According to the World Health Organization (WHO) estimates, counterfeit medicines represent more than 10 percent of the global pharmaceutical market. The situation can be even worse in developing countries since it is estimated that up to 25 percent of the medicines available in the market might be counterfeit. However, it is difficult to quantify the actual magnitude of the problem due to lack of systematic reports, the limited detection capacity in some countries, and limited documentation of the consequences derived from the consumption of these products. Medicine counterfeiting is not only a sanitary problem but also a security challenge, since these activities are usually linked to organized transnational crime networks, which take advantage of regulatory weaknesses and differences in the technical capacities among countries to introduce illegal products in the market.

97. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at strengthening the technical, operational and coordination capacities of the Central American regulatory authorities for detection, notification and response regarding counterfeit and substandard medicines. Core activities include training of the inspectors' teams, establishment of regional cooperation mechanisms, and strengthening of the health alert monitoring systems.

98. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in three (3) months, is estimated at US\$ 44,070, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 22,000. Other inputs (US\$ 22,070) will be provided by the submitting institution. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	7,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	15,000	(*)	(*)
Other	0	(*)	(*)
Total	22,000	22,070	44,070

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

99. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US 20,000** be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 7 – *Strengthening sustainable non-timber uses of the forests of the Chaco Park for their conservation and socioeconomic wellbeing of peasant communities.*

100. The Foundation “*Bosques Nativos Argentinos para la Biodiversidad*” (Foundation Native Argentinian Forests for Biodiversity), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina, directly submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Chile (through the Forestry Institute – INFOR – under the Ministry of Agriculture, based in Santiago) and Paraguay (through the Directorate General of Scientific and Technological Research – DGICT- of the National Asuncion University – UNA, based in San Lorenzo).

101. The Chaco Park, part of the Gran Chaco ecoregion, which spans Argentina, Bolivia and Paraguay, is one of the world’s most diverse dry forests. However, it faces severe degradation due to the expansion of agriculture and livestock farming, which often leads to the complete clearing of native forests. This deforestation is driven by short-term economic pressures, with forests being cleared for soybean plantations, cattle ranching, and other monoculture activities. This results in biodiversity loss, soil erosion, increased vulnerability to climate change, and a decline in ecosystem services such as water regulation and carbon sequestration. Peasant families and indigenous communities, who depend on these forests for their livelihoods, are disproportionately affected, facing reduced access to resources and increased food insecurity. The lack of recognition and appreciation of non-timber forest products such as medicinal plants, fruits, resins, and fibers, exacerbates the problem, as communities underestimate the multifunctional role of the forest beyond timber extraction. Conventional land-use practices prioritize intensive logging, ignoring the potential of sustainable non-timber forest products harvesting, which could provide alternative sources of income while preserving forest cover. This model not only accelerates environmental degradation but also perpetuates cycles of poverty among rural populations, underscoring the need for knowledge-based strategies to revalue and protect the native forests of the Chaco Park. Similar problems of dry forest degradation and dependence on non-timber forest products exist in neighboring countries of the Southern Cone, allowing for the sharing of methodologies, validation of uses, and experiences in community management.

102. According to the text of the proposal, the overall objective of the project is to undertake a comprehensive valuation -ethnobotanical and scientific- of non-timber forest products as a tool to strengthen sustainable forest management. Core activities include (a) participatory land use inventory, including participatory workshops, ethnobiological surveys and community data collection; (b) scientific validation of traditional uses through bibliographic evidence; (c) production of information brochures; and (d) workshops and academic dissemination. Operationally, the project integrates two sources of knowledge, namely the systematization of traditional knowledge from peasant and indigenous communities related to the use of non-timber forest products, and the scientific validation of these uses. As a final product, technical guides will be developed for each species, integrating validated information on uses, sustainable management guidelines, and economic value potential.

103. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twenty-three (23) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) will be provided in-kind by the participating institutions. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	0	(*)	(*)
Sub-contracts	31,500	(*)	(*)
Training	0	(*)	(*)
Other	3,500	(*)	(*)

Total	35,000	35,000	70,000
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(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation.

104. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

105. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 8 – Workshop on enhancing SME competitiveness through digital trade and Islamic finance.

106. The Islamic Chamber of Commerce & Development (ICCD), based in Karachi, Pakistan submitted the proposal through the Permanent Observer Mission of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) to the United Nations. The proposal was endorsed by the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation (COMCEC) of the OIC (Resolution of the 41st Session of the COMCEC of the OIC, held in Istanbul, Türkiye, on 1-4 November 2025). Participating countries would be eleven (11) member states of the OIC, namely Algeria, Azerbaijan, Egypt, Gambia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Tunisia, and Uzbekistan.

107. Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) are the backbone of economic activity across OIC member countries, accounting for a significant share of employment, income generation, and domestic trade. However, despite their central role in economic development, many SMEs in OIC countries continue to face structural constraints that limit their competitiveness and integration into regional and international markets. One of the main challenges is the low level of digital readiness among SMEs, particularly in developing and emerging countries. In parallel, access to suitable and inclusive financing remains a major barrier.

108. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at enhancing the competitiveness of SMEs in OIC member countries by strengthening their capacity for digital trade and improving access to Shariah-compliant finance solutions. Through a two-day international workshop to be held in Baku, Azerbaijan, including expert sessions, interactive discussions, case studies, and simulation exercises, participants will be equipped with practical tools and strategic insights. The project promotes knowledge sharing, institutional collaboration, and the development of a SME Trade Readiness Toolkit for replication with national chambers and SME support institutions. The outcome will be increased digital readiness, greater utilization of Islamic financing models, and strong regional cooperation, contributing to sustainable SME growth. Results will be disseminated through the ICCD network spanning 57 OIC member countries, ensuring a strong multiplier effect and broad replication beyond direct participants.

109. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in two (2) days, is estimated at US\$ 70,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) would be provided by the submitting institution and by Azerbaijan, the host country of the workshop. If PGTF cannot allocate in full the resources requested, a minimum US\$ 33,000 PGTF input would be required to launch the project. There is no breakdown of the total cost in the supporting documentation.

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	7,000	(*)	(*)

Travel	28,000	(*)	(*)
Subcontracts	0	(*)	(*)
Training	0	(*)	(*)
Equipment	0	(*)	(*)
Other	0	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

110. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US\$ 31,000** be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 9 – Safe digital futures in Latin America: a regional program on digital citizenship for children and adolescents.

111. The Foundation of Great Rosario (*Fundación del Gran Rosario*), legal sponsor of the Great Rosario University, based in Rosario, Santa Fe province, Argentina, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Chile (through the Mayor University of Chile -*Universidad Mayor de Chile*, based in Santiago) and Colombia (through the Free University Cali - *Universidad Libre Cali*, based in Santiago de Cali).

112. In Latin America, rapid expansion of access to digital technologies has profoundly transformed the daily lives of children and adolescents, as well as family and educational dynamics. However, this growth has not been matched by a corresponding development of digital citizen skills, critical digital literacy, or capacities to safeguard rights in digital environments. As a result, large segments of the population are increasingly exposed to risks associated with technology utilization, including cyberbullying, inappropriate sharing and exposure of personal data, grooming, online fraud and other forms of digital violence. Regional studies show that both families and educational institutions face significant challenges in effectively supporting children and adolescents in digital environments. Parents, caregivers, and teachers often lack practical tools for supervision, secure configuration of devices and platforms, early identification of risk situation, and appropriate response to digital incidents. In addition, institutional and regulatory responses remain fragmented across countries in the region. While progress has been made in developing legal frameworks related to data protection and digital rights, their effective implementation at the educational and community levels is still limited.

113. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at developing and implementing a regional academic and social cooperation program to strengthen digital citizenship, safeguard rights in digital environments, and prevent online risks affecting children and adolescents in Latin America. Specific objectives are (a) to design and adapt training content on digital citizenship, cybersecurity, and data protection, tailored to the regulatory frameworks and socio-cultural contexts of the participating countries; (b) to train teachers and institutional stakeholders through a training-of-trainers model to ensure sustainability and scalability; (c) to implement pilot training initiatives targeting families and educational communities in the participating countries; (d) to develop open-access educational resources, practical guides, and action protocols that can be adopted by educational institutions and civil society organizations; and (e) to establish a regional cooperation network among universities, organizations, and institutional actors to facilitate the exchange of best practices and support the scaling of the model.

114. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in eighteen (18) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) would be provided in-kind by the participating institutions. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	18,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	4,500	(*)	(*)
Training	6,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	3,500	(*)	(*)
Other	3,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation.

115. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

116. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 10 – *Diocetophyme renale*: a zoonotic disease affecting domestic dogs and wild carnivores from South America. Technical cooperation for improving diagnosis and surveillance

117. The Institute of Biochemical Research (INIBIOLP – CONICET), based in La Plata, Argentina, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Costa Rica (through the Center of Research of Tropical Diseases – CIET – of the University of Costa Rica, based in San Jose), and Uruguay (through the Institute of Biological Research “Clemente Estable”– IIBCE, based in Montevideo).

118. Diocetophymosis is a neglected parasitic infection that severely affects the kidneys of vertebrates. The causative agent, the giant red nematode *Diocetophyme renale*, develops in and destroys the kidneys of domestic animals, endangered wildlife and humans. The most frequent definitive hosts are canids that live close to rivers, both domestic and wild endangered ones, and it represents a threat to the conservation of the maned wolf in South America. Among domestic animals, they are particularly pathogenic in companion dogs and is increasingly being reported in cats. Regarding human infections, *Diocetophyme renale* is a zoonotic disease since unequivocal cases in human beings have been documented, including fatal cases and associated with renal carcinoma.. Despite the health importance that diocetophymosis represents, there is still no sensitive diagnostic method nor a specific treatment to prevent and control the disease. Current clinical diagnosis is based on urine sedimentation of eggs, ultrasonography, findings during surgical sterilization of dogs, or spontaneous expulsion of worms. At all circumstances these diagnoses reveal the presence of adult worms in correspondence to highly damaged tissues from the host. Additionally, these diagnostic methods are difficult to handle due to the heavy equipment needed or are of poor sensitivity, frequently giving false negative results given that several ectopic locations of the worm were described. It has been proven that secreted antigens produced *in vitro* by adult parasites can be used as diagnostic method, which highlights the importance of a detailed investigation and characterization. The existence of more specific diagnostic methods will contribute to better studies of prevalence and epidemiology of *Diocetophyme renale* that will improve control and proposed prophylaxis.

119. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at characterizing the secretome from a parasitic helminth that produces an unusual renal injury view a view to discovering specific molecules that might be useful as new diagnosis markers for their use in dogs and potentially in humans. Core activities are (a) characterization of host-parasite interaction: secretome determination and identification of specific antigens; (b) analysis of E/S (excretion/secretion) proteins with virulent and immunomodulatory properties; and (c) identification of *Diocotophyme renale* proteins as possible therapeutic targets.

120. The total cost of the project, to be carried out in two (2) years, is estimated at US\$ 106,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Others input (US\$ 71,000) would be provided by CONICET (US\$ 70,000) ai the National Agency for the Promotion of Science and Technology (US\$ 1,000). . If PGTF cannot allocate the resources requested in full, a minimum US\$ 15,000 PGTF input would be required to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Training	8,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	4,000	(*)	(*)
Reagents and consumables	23,000	(*)	(*)
Other	0	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	71,000	106,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation.

121. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

122. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 11 – Assessing regulatory frameworks for implementing the AfCFTA digital trade protocol in SADC countries: a South-South capacity building and peer exchange initiative

123. The South Center, based in Geneva, Switzerland, directly submitted the proposal. Participating countries would be Mauritius (through its Permanent Mission to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations, based in Geneva, Switzerland), Namibia (through its Permanent Mission to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations, based in Geneva, Switzerland), and Zimbabwe (through its Permanent Mission to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations, based in Geneva, Switzerland).

124. The adoption of the Digital Trade Protocol (DTP) of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) is a landmark achievement in Africa's digital agenda. It is the first continent-level legally binding framework for governing cross-border digital trade in Africa. DTP is ambitious in its scope, covering cross-border data flows, e-commerce, digital payment systems, cybersecurity, consumer protection, and emerging technologies. Building on the efforts of the regional economic communities (RECs), it is designed to create an African single digital market and advance economic integration among African countries. For the sixteen (16) Member States of the Southern African Development Community (SADC), the DTP offers opportunities to

advance their intra-regional digital integration, building on the SADC Digital Transformation Strategy, adopted in 2022, and the existing frameworks for regulatory cooperation in the digital arena. Given its ambition, DTP requires considerable efforts from all the stakeholders since, in addition, SADC Member States vary considerably in the maturity and breadth of their national frameworks for digital trade and data governance. Currently, there is insufficient mapping of how existing national laws, policies, and institutional arrangements across SADC member countries align with the DTP's legally binding obligations in areas such as data protection and cross-border data flows, e-commerce regulation, cybersecurity frameworks, and consumer protection, among others.

125. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at supporting the implementation of DTP in SADC countries, focusing on a purposive sample of 3-4 SADC member countries selected based on diversity in the maturity of national digital trade and data governance frameworks, expressions of interest received, and geographic and economic representativeness within SADC. Core activities include: (a) research and analysis of relevant national laws, policies, and institutional arrangements in areas related to digital trade, as well as the alignment of the country's policies and regulatory frameworks with the DTP's requirements, as well as identify potential gaps that could be addressed through technical assistance and capacity building. The findings will provide a comprehensive evidence base to guide national and regional regulatory reforms, support DTP implementation in the SADC countries, and contribute to strengthening policy coherence across the region; (b) a workshop to share the findings with participants and discuss the country-specific gap assessments, which will enable participants to understand where their policy frameworks stand relative to their DTP commitments, and the steps needed to bridge any regulatory gaps; and (c) a structured peer exchange session within the workshop for facilitating participants to share their policy approaches, implementation challenges, case studies, and good practices for digital trade, which will build common understanding and help advance regulatory coherence across the national, regional and continental levels on digital trade.

126. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in nine (9) months, is estimated at US\$ 85,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 50,000) would be provided in-kind by the submitting institution. If PGTF cannot allocate the resources requested in full, a minimum PGTF contribution of US\$ 30,000 would be needed to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	12,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	7,000	(*)	(*)
Training	11,000	(*)	(*)
Other	5,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	50,000	85,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

127. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US\$ 28,000** be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 12 – Improving water leakage management systems – Applying scientific collaboration towards climate resilient communities

128. The Mekong Institute, based in Khon Kae, Thailand, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Thailand to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Cambodia, China,

Myanmar, Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Viet Nam, but no institutions from these countries were identified in the supporting documentation.. In addition, two other countries to be determined, one from Africa and one from Latin America and the Caribbean, would participate in the activities of the project.

129. Access to safe and sustainable water resources remains a critical global challenge, compounded by two interlinked issues, namely significant water loss through leakage and increasing deteriorating water quality. Every year, approximately 126 billion cubic meters of water are lost globally due to leaks in distribution systems – enough to meet the needs of 90 million people. Leakage rates in many developing countries exceed 35-40% compared to as low as 5% in countries with advanced infrastructure. Causes include aging infrastructure, inadequate maintenance, and limited investment in modern detection and repair technologies. These inefficiencies result in both economic losses and heightened vulnerability in water-stressed regions. While leakage represents massive resource loss, it also posed a direct health threat. When leaks cause pressure drops in distribution systems, contaminated ground water or sewage can be drawn into the pipes, directly compromising water quality and leading to waterborne diseases. Addressing these challenges requires scalable, technology-based approaches that enhance efficiency, transparency, and resilience in water management. Thankfully, innovative smart management systems, practices, and technologies exist within the Global South, which demonstrate integrated smart water management and provide replicable models.

130. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at improving water management systems in the participating countries, specifically in demonstration rural communities. Core activities include: (a) baseline assessment, focusing on current water leakage rates, systems, technologies, and institutional capacities to address non-revenue water; (b) needs and capacity gap articulation; (c) identification of best practices and technologies; (d) co-design of knowledge sharing curriculum; (e) demonstration visit to Thailand, to learn about application of an innovative technology-based smart water management system, as a pilot model that reduces water leakages through enhanced human capacities and adoption of cost-effective technologies; and (f) peer learning workshop and solution co-development sessions.

131. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$ 87,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 52,000) would be provided by the Thailand International Cooperation Agency (TICA). A breakdown of the total cost is provided below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	5,000	11,000	16,000
Travel	8,000	22,000	30,000
Training	0	9,000	9,000
Equipment	20,000	0	20,000
Other	2,000	10,000	12,000
Total	35,000	52,000	87,000

132. The Committee considered that this proposal does not comply with guideline A(f) for utilization for PGTF resources, which requires that for nationally executed projects to be eligible, the cooperative component of the project should be established through the identification and declared interest of and explicit participation by the other participating countries as potential beneficiaries of the activities of the project. Accordingly, written evidence of endorsement should be part of the proposal. In the supporting documentation, the institutions of the other participating countries were not identified, and no endorsement letters were included.

133. The Committee therefore considered that this proposal, as submitted, is not eligible for funding and recommended that it should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 13 – Strengthening of an Argentina-Colombia-Uruguay network as a regional scalable model for the surveillance of a neglected human oncovirus

134. The Faculty of Medical Science of the Buenos Aires University - UBA, based in Buenos Aires, Argentina submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Colombia (through the Department of Microbiology of the del Valle University, based in Cali) and Uruguay (through the Montevideo Pasteur Institute, based in Montevideo).

135. Response to infection by HTLV-1/2 (human T-cell lymphotropic virus) in the countries of South America has been insufficient and fragmented. HTLV is a human oncogenic retrovirus, endemic in various areas of the region, which has been historically invisible and neglected. HTLV can be transmitted sexually, by blood transfusion, and from mother to child, mainly through lactation. In the case of HTLV-1, the infection can cause serious and disabling illnesses, such as leukemia/adult T cell disease (ATL) of short survival and an irreversible chronic myelopathy that causes invalidity. However, despite its potential impact on individual, familiar and public health, HTLV continues to be little known by a large part of the general population and even by many health professionals. Infection by HTLV is a prevalent problem in the region that affects vulnerable populations, and specially women who are at the greatest risk of developing myelopathy, as well as descendants of native peoples. HTLV has been recognized as a sexually transmitted disease and included in the last report of the World Health Organization.

136. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at optimizing and strengthening surveillance of infection by HTLV, both through diagnosis and integral care, in participating countries. In this regard, the project is expected to produce a regional cooperation model scalable to other south American countries in the future. Specific objectives are (a) to implement a technical cooperation platform among participating institutions; (b) to verify the functioning of the network through the operative validation of algorithms and agreed protocols, by undertaking a multicentered screening study; and (c) to update information available in the web and organize a training space in the Spanish language.

137. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in eighteen (18) months, is estimated at US\$ 67,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 32,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) would be provided by the participating institutions. If PGTF cannot allocate the resources requested in full, a minimum PGTF contribution of US\$ 20,500 would be needed to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is presented below:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	7,000	(*)	(*)
Subcontracts	5,000	(*)	(*)
Laboratory inputs and reagents	16,500	(*)	(*)
Equipment	1,500	(*)	(*)
Other	2,000	(*)	(*)
Total	32,000	35,000	67,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

138. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted

this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

139. This proposal received a relatively higher priority compared to others from the same country and was selected to be supported. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 28,000 be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 14 – *Phenolic bioproduct and nanoparticles in the in vitro propagation of sugarcane and vanilla.*

140. The Government of the Villa Clara Province, based in Ranchuelo, Villa Clara province, Cuba, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Argentina (through the Institute of Agro-industrial Technology of the Argentinian Northwest – ITANOA- based in Las Talitas, Tucuman province, and jointly under the National Council of Scientific and Technical Research – CONICET- and the Agro-industrial Experimental Station “Obispo Colombres” - EEAO) and Mexico (through the Plant Tissue Culture Laboratory, Cordoba Campus, under the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, based in Amatlan de los Reyes, Veracruz state).

141. Sugarcane is the most important crop in the Riachuelo municipality of Cuba, currently covering 264,000 hectares of arable land and with prospects of a significant growth in the coming campaigns. It is utilized to produce sugar and by-products, affected by diseases that translate into product losses and needed a strategy to control them. Studies carried out at a research facility in the municipality demonstrated the plant defense inducing capacity of the secondary metabolites (phenols), generated as the by-products of the *in vitro* growth of sugarcane, against bacterial and viral pathogens. While two bioactive compounds were identified, chemical characterization of all the by-products generated is needed and it is not known whether all the sugarcane cultivars can synthesize them. Vanilla is one of the most popular flavors in many applications, ranging from food and beverages to pharmaceutical products. The Riachuelo municipality is currently developing vanilla cultivation through *in vitro* propagation, and one of the main problems to solve is the high contamination of plant material in the initial stages of the process. For both species, sugarcane and vanilla, utilization of nanoparticles to reduce microbial contamination in the culture media favorably compares with the traditional use of antibiotics to this end, due to the phytotoxicity of the latter.

142. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at determining the biological activity of the phenolic bioproduct as plant defense inducer and crop growth promoter, as well as finding out the effectiveness of different types of nanoparticles in controlling contamination in the *in vitro* cultivation of sugarcane and vanilla. Core activities are (a) identification and chemical characterization of the phenolic metabolite (potential bioproduct); (b) determination of the phenolic metabolite stimulating effect on the *in vitro* growth of sugarcane and vanilla shoots in the different micropropagation phases, including acclimatization; (c) verification of the effectiveness of different types and concentrations of nanoparticles in controlling microbial contamination in the cultivation of *in vitro* sugarcane and vanilla shoots; (d) Histological characterization of the *in vitro* shoots to identify presence of nanoparticles in the plant tissues of both species; and (e) training of specialists and farmers.

143. The total cost of the project to be completed in twenty-four (24) months is estimated at US\$ 85,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 50,000) would be provided by the submitting institution and the government of Cuba. A breakdown of the total cost is presented on the table below:

	Total contribution (US\$)
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Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	2,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	18,000	(*)	(*)
Training	4,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	3,000	(*)	(*)
Other	8,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	50,000	85,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

144. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

145. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 15 – In-depth study of sugarcane wax as a basis for a sustainable biorefinery: agro-industrial characterization and evaluation of extraction technologies through South-South cooperation.

146. The UEB (*Unidad Empresarial de Base* – Basic business unit) Sugarcane Derivatives, based in Villa Clara, Cuba, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Argentina (through the Pilot Plant for Industrial Processes – CONICET-PROIMI, based in San Miguel de Tucuman, Tucuman province) and Brazil (through the National Service for Industrial Training – SENAI – Integrated Manufacturing and Technology Center – CIMATEC, based in Salvador, Bahia state).

147. Refined sugarcane wax is the fundamental raw material to produce policosanol, a high value-added Cuban pharmaceutical product, mainly taken as a dietary supplement intended to manage cholesterol levels and support cardiovascular health.. Recent research has demonstrated the superiority of Cuban policosanol compared to similar products from other sources. Sugarcane wax that is not suitable for policosanol production, as well as by-products of the refining process, have various uses in the Cuban sugar industry, and processing of filter cake into products for health, light industry, and food has taken place in Cuba since the beginning of the 1990s. Currently, the production scheme for these items is facing technological and other difficulties, including the need for external validation of parameters and lack of evaluation of alternative technologies. Optimized production conditions need to be validated in laboratories in the region with high-resolution analytical equipment not available in Cuba, to generate results comparable to international standards. Research in Brazil has shown that supercritical extraction can be integrated into sugarcane biorefineries but its applicability in the Cuban context has not been studied.

148. According to the text of the proposal, the overall objective of the project is to strengthen the scientific and technical basis for a comprehensive valorization of sugarcane wax in Cuba, through the study of its agro-industrial variability (i.e. the relationship between sugarcane varieties and climatic and technological conditions) and the comparative evaluation of extraction technologies (i.e. conventional with ethanol vs. supercritical with CO₂) under the concept of a sustainable biorefinery. Specific objectives are (a) to characterize the chemical composition of sugarcane wax from different sugarcane varieties cultivated under specific climatic and technological conditions; (b) to evaluate the technical and economic feasibility of supercritical CO₂ extraction technology for obtaining and/or refining sugarcane wax; (c) to compare the

technical, economic and environmental performance of the existing Cuban technology (optimized ethanol extraction) with supercritical technology; and (d) to strengthen technical capacities in the participating institutions through short-term staff exchanges and development of technical reference documents.

149. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in two (2) years, is estimated at US\$ 85,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. The source of other inputs (US\$ 50,000) is not identified in the supporting documentation. If PGTF cannot allocate the resources requested in full, a minimum PGTF contribution of US\$ 23,300 would be needed to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is presented in the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	33,500	(*)	(*)
Equipment	1,500	(*)	(*)
Other	0	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	50,000	85,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

150. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

151. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 16 – Evaluation and implementation of combined schemes to produce sugar, bioenergy, bioethanol, and animal feed in an agro-industrial enterprise applying circular economy

152. The Service Group to the Sugarcane and Derivatives Industry -GAIAD, based in Holguin, Holguin province, Cuba, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Brazil (through the Minas Gerais Federal University -UFMG, based in Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais state) and Mexico (through the National School of Biological Sciences of the National Polytechnic Institute – IPN, based in Mexico City).

153. Comprehensive and flexible diversification are priority development goals of the current sugar and bioethanol agro-industry. Increasingly competitive markets demand much more than just production efficiency and it is therefore essential to fully leverage the potential of sugarcane, considering that its exchange value fluctuates constantly and its real price is influenced by market forces. Alternative production methods are currently available to a diversified sugar company that applies a circular economy system and is environmentally sustainable, covering a range of productions from sugar syrups and energy production such as ethanol and electricity to animal feed. Some countries currently implement various integrated schemes, such as sugar/animal feed, sugar/bioethanol, sugar/bioethanol/animal feed, and sugar/bagasse board. The combined sugar/bioenergy/bioethanol/animal feed production schemes offer several advantages, ranging from obtaining higher-quality sugar to bioethanol production, thereby generating renewable energy. Given the present state of the Cuban sugar industry and considering the potential benefits stemming from its recovery, establishing a production hub based on a circular economy approach is highly advantageous, and developing a diversified

sugar company offers the opportunity to produce energy, molasses, sugar, and other products in a combined manner.

154. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at evaluating and implementing combined schemes to produce sugar-bioenergy-bioethanol-animal feed in an agro-industrial enterprise applying circular economy. Specific objectives are (a) physicochemical characterization of raw materials; (b) study of the environmental impact of the vinasses resulting from the proposed technological schemes; (c) design of fermentation and propagation schemes according to the bioethanol quality demands; and (d) study of different bioenergy production schemes.

155. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in two (2) years, is estimated at US\$ 85,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 30,000. Other inputs (US\$ 55,000) will be contributed by the participating institutions. A breakdown of the total cost is presented below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	12,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	13,000	(*)	(*)
Other	5,000	(*)	(*)
Total	30,000	55,000	85,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

156. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

157. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 17- *Caribbean cooperation for the development of marine bioproducts with application in health and environmental sustainability*

158. The Institute of Marine Sciences (ICIMAR), based in Havana, Cuba submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be the Dominican Republic (through the Santo Domingo Technological Institute – INTEC, based in Santo Domingo) and Panama (through the Institute of Scientific Research and High-Technology Services – INDICASAT-AIP, based in Panama City).

159. Historically, many dietary supplements and pharmaceuticals are produced from isolated metabolites obtained from living organisms, especially terrestrial plants and microorganisms. Bioprospecting of natural compounds has proven to be an effective strategy for the discovery of innovative compounds for controlling and managing the main food and health problems faced by the world. Considering that bioprospecting is the economic application of biodiversity that allows for identification of organisms as sources of natural compounds, more abundant and having better properties than the already known sources, it becomes increasingly interesting to study the biological diversity worldwide to know, preserve and promote its rational utilization as source of sustainable molecular entities. In this regard, exploiting biodiversity through

biotechnology leads to sustainable valorizations having the potential to increase agricultural and industrial productivity, improve health and nutrition, while generating new opportunities to restore and protect the environment. The marine environment is one of the most important ecosystems of the planet, covering 71% of the earth's surface. However, despite scientific progress, basic knowledge of marine organisms and the multiple interactions they establish in their environment is still limited. Understanding the potential of utilization of marine biodiversity to obtain bioproducts having industrial interest is even more limited. To date, more than 10,000 bioactive marine metabolites have been identified, derived among others from sponges, algae and other marine plants, marine animals such as mollusks, anemones, hydroids, and corals.

160. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at strengthening technical capacities to characterize bioactive metabolites obtained from organisms living in the coastal areas of the participating countries for controlling oncological and related diseases. Core activities include: (a) collection of marine specimens in a sustainable manner and with permitted access to genetic resources in the participating countries (b) preparation of extracts and enriched fractions of marine organisms through green chemical techniques; (c) characterization of metabolites with bioactive potential; (d) *in vitro* evaluation of the pharmacological potential; and (d) strengthening of capacities and dissemination of results.

161. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in two (2) years, is estimated at US\$ 193,600, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 158,600) will be provided by the participating institutions. A breakdown of the total cost is presented on the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	16,000	(*)	(*)
Training	6,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	9,000	(*)	(*)
Other	4,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	158,600	193,600

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

162. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

163. This proposal received a relatively higher priority compared to others from the same country and was selected to be supported. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 28,000 be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 18- ***Development and introduction of cultivars with tolerance to different types of abiotic stress with a focus on circular agriculture and utilization of sustainable production technologies.***

164. The National Institute of Agrarian Sciences -INCA, based in San Jose de las Lajas, Mayabeque province, Cuba, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Paraguay (through the Directorate General of Scientific and Technological Research of the National University of Asuncion – DGICT-UNA, based in San Lorenzo) and Viet Nam (through the Legume Development Center of Viet Nam Academy of Sciences, based in Hanoi).

165. Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as other regions of the world, are impacted by global climate change, which alters the temporal and spatial distribution of rainfall. Coupled with temperature increase and surge of pests and diseases, it has repercussions on food production. All these factors affect the population's food and nutritional security and the livelihoods of people who depend on agriculture and, therefore, introducing varieties tolerant to these stressful conditions is an essential task to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. For several years now a group of Latin American and Caribbean countries has participated in regional projects supported by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), which led to the development of varieties of soybeans, tomatoes and hibiscus flowers having a higher productive potential under low water supply conditions, as well as tolerant to high temperatures. Through cooperation among the participating countries, the project envisages to introduce and evaluate varieties obtained in different productive areas, utilizing sustainable production technologies with a circular economy approach to take advantage of the potential of these varieties and obtain new varieties of soybean, maize, tomatoes, and hibiscus flowers.

166. According to the text of the proposal, the overall objective of the project is to enhance the development of new varieties of soybeans, tomatoes and hibiscus flowers and utilize sustainable technologies to improve and diversify food production. Core activities include (a) to obtain varieties of soybeans, tomatoes, peanuts and hibiscus flowers tolerant to high temperatures and low water supply, through genetic improvement programs; (b) to characterize the areas suitable for field tests; (c) to train farmers, technicians, researchers, and housewives; (d) to introduce the new varieties in selected areas; (d) to evaluate the varieties and lines obtained using biofertilizers and bio-stimulants in different demonstration areas; and (e) to obtain different products from the developed varieties, such as dried hibiscus flowers; wine, jams and hibiscus tea; peanut and soybeans oil extraction, and animal food and organic fertilizers from the crop and oil extraction residues.

167. The total cost of the project, to be carried out in two (2) years, is estimated at US\$ 160,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 125,000) will be provided by the participating institutions. If PGTF cannot allocate the requested resources in full, a minimum PGTF contribution of US\$ 25,000 would be needed to enable launching the project. A breakdown of the total cost is presented in the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	13,000	(*)	(*)
Training	10,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	7,000	(*)	(*)
Other	5,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	125,000	160,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

168. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is thus eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

169. This proposal received a relatively higher priority compared to others from the same country and was selected to be supported. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 31,000 be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 19 – *Strengthening of capacities for biodiversity monitoring and ecosystems management in biosphere reserves of Cuba, Mexico and Brazil: South-South cooperation among Sierra del Rosario, Sierra de Manatlan, and Refugio de Vida Silvestre Mata de Junco.*

170. The Artemisa Center for Studies and Environmental Services (CESAART), based in Artemisa, Cuba, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Brazil (through Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, based in Brasilia) and Mexico (through the National Commission of Natural Protected Areas - CONANP, based in Autlan de Navarro, Jalisco state).

171. The biosphere reserve of Sierra del Rosario, located in the Artemisa province, Cuba, was the first Cuban protected area to be included (in 1985) in the UNESCO International Network of Biosphere Reserves. Several projects were completed by the submitting institution regarding post-hurricane restoration of natural ecosystems, management of invasive exotic species, and conservation of endangered mountain ecosystems. In 2025, an agreement was signed with the biosphere reserve Sierra de Manatlan from Mexico to provide for technical and scientific exchanges. Despite progress achieved, there are still critical constraints that limit the capacity of both reserves to face more effectively the threats to their biodiversity. There is no formal cooperation mechanism allowing for systematic knowledge exchange between both reserves, as well as lack of resources for the exchange of specialists, purchase of specialized monitoring equipment and organizing binational workshops.

172. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at strengthening the technical and managerial capacities for monitoring biodiversity and climate change in the biosphere reserves of Sierra del Rosario, in Cuba, and Sierra de Manatlan, in Mexico. The biosphere reserve of Refugio de Vida Silvestre Mata de Junco, in Brazil, will share in the results of the project. Core activities include: (a) exchange of experts, including field missions to Mexico for on-site learning of monitoring techniques, ecosystems management, post-fire restoration, and community participation; (b) capacity strengthening through hands-on workshops; (c) development of common tools, including harmonized monitoring protocols of selected species (medium-size mammals and birds) and a system of indicators suitable for comparing data and evaluate the status of conservation of similar ecosystems; and (d) purchase of monitoring equipment, including cameras, GPS, sound recorders and binoculars.

173. The total cost of the project, to be carried out in two (2) years, is estimated at US\$ 85,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. The source of other inputs (US\$ 50,000) is not identified in the supporting documents. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Assessment and work plan	2,000	2,000	4,000
Field visits and workshops	18,000	22,000	40,000
Monitoring protocols and indicators	8,000	10,000	18,000
Monitoring equipment	5,000	8,000	13,000
Results publication & dissemination	2,000	8,000	10,000
Total	35,000	50,000	85,000

174. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted

this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

175. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 20- *Latin America network for the scientific and technical development of ergonomics laboratories with impact on strategic sectors of the countries.*

176. The Industrial Engineering Department of the Pontifical Catholic University of Peru, based in Lima, Peru, directly submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Brazil (through the Department of Production and Systems Engineering of the Santa Catarina Federal University, based in Florianopolis), Colombia (through the Industrial Design School of the National University of Colombia, based in Bogota), Cuba (through the “Marta Abreu” Central University of Las Villas, based in Santa Clara), Dominican Republic (through the Autonomous Santo Domingo University, based in Santo Domingo); and Mexico (through the University of Guadalajara, based in Guadalajara, Jalisco state).

177. Strategic sectors in priority areas in developing countries are currently being strongly impacted by the competitiveness of international markets, as well as facing difficulties in taking off within their own countries and meeting the growing needs of the population. Priority areas such as industrialization and technology, food production, agriculture, and energy, among others, face competitive factors where sustainable development characterized by environmental and quality certifications is essential. Technological innovation is a critical factor in the future development of processes, services, and products, and enhancing innovation to the highest levels is a guarantee of success. Achieving these objectives requires action from a scientific perspective, with a close link between scientific institutions and businesses. However, these priority sectors often lack the knowledge of how to differentiate themselves in the market, and how to achieve high levels of quality production that reduces costs and prices to satisfy most of the population. Searching solutions through science is also uncommon and varies from country to country, and even specialists in production, quality, logistics, and human resources struggle to understand how to proceed in the face of various situations imposed by the complexity of the business world and its main protagonists, the workers. In some Latin American countries, there are Ergonomics laboratories (Ergonomics being the science that studies the interaction between work systems, processes and products with human beings) that can be called “laboratories of excellence”. These laboratories make significant contributions by studying, analyzing, and evaluating the demands of work systems in strategic companies in their regions and advancing solutions that underpin business success. However, these laboratories are not usually known, in some cases lack a defined structure and environment conducive to teaching activities, and in others the discipline is taught to future professionals, but without developing laboratory practices linked to companies.

178. According to the text of the proposal, the general objective of the project is to promote the exchange, cooperation and training of Latin American professionals, both interregional and intraregional, through the establishment of a virtual community of ergonomics laboratories that contributes to sustainable development, scientific and technological consulting, and access to state-of-art facilities for improving the performance, quality, safety, and health of companies belonging to strategic sectors in these countries. Specific objectives are (a) increasing training and education regarding the attributes that distinguish an ergonomics laboratory, and in particular, an ergonomics laboratory of excellence; (b) identifying innovative lines of research that can be developed in strategic sectors, as well as ergonomic services, products, and applied technologies, promoting exchange, cooperation, and training among Latin American professionals; and (c) defining laboratory practice topics, methods, and software that can be used or developed, fostering collective learning.

179. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in two (2) years, is estimated at US\$ 70,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) would be provided by

the participating institutions. If PGTF cannot allocate in full the resources requested, a minimum US\$ 20,000 PGTF input would be required to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	5,460	(*)	(*)
Training	27,040	(*)	(*)
Equipment	1,500	(*)	(*)
Other	1,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

180. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US\$ 29,000** be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 21- *Accelerating regional food security through South-South cooperation: scaling up standardized rice-fish integrated farming systems in Cambodia, Thailand and Laos.*

181. The Freshwater Fisheries Research Center under the Chinese Academy of Fishery Sciences, based in Wuxi City, Jiangsu province, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Cambodia (through the Fisheries Administration under the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, based in Phnom Penh), Lao People's Democratic Republic (through the Department of Livestock and Fisheries under the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, based in Vientiane), and Thailand (through the Department of Fisheries, based in Bangkok).

182. Rice-fish farming systems (RFIFs), an innovative agricultural model originating in China, have undergone significant modernization through advancements in paddy engineering, selective breeding, and resource-efficient management. While Cambodia, Lao PDR and Thailand possess vast rice paddies, abundant water resources, and a conducive climate for RFIFs, the technologies currently utilized in these countries lag significantly behind modern benchmarks. Despite its potential to bolster food security and rural livelihoods, the expansion of RFIFs is stifled by five systemic barriers, namely suboptimal infrastructure, fragile seed supply chains, knowledge gaps, capacity constraints, and policy and financial hurdles.

183. According to the text of the proposal, the general objective of the project is to scale up standardized RFIFs in the participating countries by leveraging the 44-year expertise of the submitting institution. It will appoint a team of experts to conduct, utilizing a Training to Trainers (ToT) model, an intensive mission to empower 30 regional seed trainers – comprising technical officers, extension workers, and lead farmers – with a mandate for at least 30% female participation. The mission combines theoretical lectures, laboratory work, and on-site field consultations to address systemic barriers in paddy engineering, quality seed production, and supply chain management. Beyond technology transfer, the project aims at establishing a regional knowledge hub and a Mekong-China RFIFs bridge to harmonize aquaculture standards and foster long-term institutional synergy.

184. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in fifteen (15) months, is estimated at US\$ 71,500 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 36,500) will be provided by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs of China. If PGTF cannot allocate the resources requested in full, a minimum PGTF contribution of US\$ 30,000 would be required to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is shown in the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	7,250		
Travel and accommodation	17,000	(*)	(*)
Local transportation	4,000	(*)	(*)
Training	3,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	1,000	(*)	(*)
Other	2,750	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	36,500	71,500

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation.

185. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

186. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 22- *Scaling climate-smart mushroom cultivation in Nepal, Pakistan and Bangladesh through South-South cooperation with China.*

187. The Center for Mountain Futures (CFM) under the Chinese Academy of Sciences, based in Kunming, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Bangladesh (through the Ministry of Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) Affairs, based in Dhaka), Nepal (through the International Center for Integrated Mountain Development – ICIMOD, based in Kathmandu), and Pakistan (through the Directorate General Soil & Water Conservation of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, based in Peshawar).

188. Mushrooms provide essential protein, vitamins, minerals, and dietary fiber. For rural communities across the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH) region, integrating mushrooms into local diets addresses malnutrition while creating income opportunities for smallholder farmers. Agricultural residues such as rice straw, corn cobs, and sugarcane bagasse serve as cultivation substrates, reducing open burning of crop waste. However, scaling mushroom production in the region faces three persistent bottlenecks, namely (i) current production practices rely heavily on farmers' empirical knowledge and remain vulnerable to climate variability, (ii) standardized substrate management is lacking, and (iii) smart production technologies remain inaccessible to most farmers. Without automated monitoring systems and scientific cultivation tools, production cannot scale beyond small-farm operations to commercially viable models. Addressing these bottlenecks requires coordinated regional action combining technical capacity building, standardized production systems, and knowledge exchange across the HKH region.

189. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at developing standardized protocols for converting spent mushroom substrate (SMS) into organic fertilizer, completing the resource cycle and reducing dependence on chemical inputs. Specific objectives are (a) to reduce climate-related production risks, because farmers currently rely on empirical knowledge that cannot adapt to increasing climate variability; (b) to standardize substrate and SMS processing, because without locally adapted protocols, production costs remain high and spent mushroom substrate goes to waste; and (c) to build capacity for sustainable business models,

since smallholders often fail not only due to lack of technical skill but also due to poor understanding of production economics and market dynamics.

190. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) would be provided by the National Natural Science Foundation of China. A breakdown of the total cost is shown on the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	12,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	10,000	(*)	(*)
Training	9,500	(*)	(*)
Other	3,500	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

191. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

192. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 23- *Exchange and promotion of key technologies for the sustainable supply and regulation of water resources in reservoir water-sourced areas for ecological, production, and livelihood needs in Asian countries.*

193. The National Research Institute for Rural Electrification (NRIRE), based in Hangzhou, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Azerbaijan (through the Environmental Research Center of the Khazar University, based in Baku), Indonesia (through the Faculty of Engineering of the Universitas Brawijaya, based in Malang, East Java), Lao People's Democratic Republic (through the Lao National Mekong Committee Secretariat – MONRE, based in Vientiane), Malaysia (through the Center for Water Engineering Technology of the Universiti Kuala Lumpur – UNIKL, based in Bandar Baru Bangi), Philippines (through the enterprise Tri-Energy Technology Philippines Inc., based in San Juan city, Metro Manila), Sri Lanka (through the enterprise Lanka Hydraulic Institute Ltd. based in Moratuwa), Thailand (through the Office of the National Water Resources, based in Bangkok), and Viet Nam (through the Institute for Hydropower and Renewable Energy – IHR, based in Hanoi).

194. Water resources constitute the foundation for maintaining ecological balance, supporting agricultural and industrial production, and ensuring human wellbeing. As a critical infrastructure for water supply regulation, flood control, and ecological water replenishment, reservoir play an irreplaceable role in meeting the ecological needs, industrial water demands, and domestic water requirements of Asian countries. However, reservoir water-sourced areas in the region are facing severe challenges due to factors such as rapid population growth, accelerated urbanization, and climate change impacts. The ecological environment of these sources is being damaged, as soil erosion and eutrophication are becoming more severe, compromising the stability of water quality and quantity. The existing measures taken by Asian countries to address these issues

have certain limitations and inadequacies. Although some countries have implemented policies and projects for water source protection and water supply improvement, their overall effectiveness has been limited due to insufficient funding, lack of technology, and inadequate cooperation.

195. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at addressing the critical challenges of water resource management in reservoir water-sourced areas across Asia through a comprehensive approach involving capacity building, knowledge exchange, and demonstration of best practices. Core activities include (a) a training program targeting government officials, technical experts, and researchers in water conservancy, agriculture and related areas, regarding technical areas such as non-point source pollution control at the source of reservoir water resources, rural domestic wastewater treatments technologies, aquatic ecological restoration technologies, case studies of reservoir ecological wetland restoration, integrated urban-rural water supply construction and digital management, and underwater optical monitoring technologies for lake and river aquatic ecosystems; (b) sharing of practical experiences and challenges in areas such as reservoir operation models, ecological restoration technologies, and water resource management systems; (c) field visits to demonstration projects on ecological restoration of reservoir water sources and rural wastewater purification projects, the demonstration projects being practical examples offering specific and actionable solutions to Asian countries.

196. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$ 75,350 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 40,350) would be provided by the submitting institution. A breakdown of the total cost is shown on the table below:.

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	18,000	(*)	(*)
Training	16,650	(*)	(*)
Equipment	0	(*)	(*)
Other	350	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	40,350	75,350

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

197. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

198. This proposal received a relatively higher priority compared to others from the same country and was selected to be supported. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 29,000 be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 24.- Supporting Pacific Island countries in building technological capacity for efficient production and processing of specialty beverage crops.

199. The Jiangsu Academy of Agricultural Sciences, based in Nanjing City, Jiangsu province, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Papua New Guinea (through the National Agriculture Research Institute – NARI, based in Lae, Morobe province), Samoa (through the Scientific Research Organization of Samoa -SROS, based in Apia), and Solomon Islands (through the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock, based in Honiara).

200. Pacific Island Countries (PICs), the most vulnerable small island developing countries, face severe climate risks like rising sea levels, extreme weather, soil salinization, and erratic rainfall, which disrupt agriculture and crop stability. Featured beverage crops, like cacao, coffee, tea, and others, are essential non-alcoholic crops for PICs, supporting rural income, employment, and poverty reduction. The development potential of this sector remains largely untapped due to system bottlenecks across the value chain, causing an overall lag in the local beverage industry that limits the ability to leverage international support. In cultivation, poor climate-smart and standardized practices result in yield losses and deteriorate raw material quality. Post-harvest and processing issues include manual, inefficient operations and lack of moisture control and stabilization technologies, leading to post-harvest losses. In this regard, most processors lack moisture control capacities, causing inconsistent quality, low grading, and failure to meet market and food safety standards. In commercialization, fragmented value chains and limited product diversification confine the industry to low-margin segments, heighten vulnerability to price volatility, and hinder inclusive economic growth.

201. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at strengthening technological capacity for the production and processing of key leverage crops in participating countries. In response to climate change challenges and limited processing efficiency, the project focuses on transferring appropriate technologies, standardizing quality and enhancing climate resilience. Specific objectives are (a) to carry out a joint diagnosis in each country and establish a baseline, including field investigations and value-chain assessments; (b) to compile site-specific standard operating procedures (SOP) with local institutions, involving integrated technical training to relevant stakeholders (local extension agents, cooperative leaders and SME technicians) through online theoretical lectures and offline practical guidance; and (c) to build a specialized demonstration site in each participating country with local institutions, showcasing integrated “cultivation-postharvest-processing” technology packages.

202. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in one (1) year, is US\$ 65,000, and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 30,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) would be provided by the submitting institution. A breakdown of the total cost is provided on the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	3,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	5,000	(*)	(*)
Training	13,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	9,000	(*)	(*)
Total	30,000	35,000	65,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documentation

203. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

204. This proposal received a relatively higher priority compared to others from the same country and was selected to be supported. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 28,000 be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 25- *Technological training and demonstration of photovoltaic reverse osmosis unit for safe drinking water in rural areas of Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia.*

205. The Gansu National Energy Research Institute (GNERI), based in Lanzhou, Gansu province, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Indonesia (through the Faculty of Industrial Technology of the Bandung Technology Institute, based in Bandung), Malaysia (through the Xiamen University Malaysia, based in Sepang, Selangor state), and Thailand (through the Faculty of Engineering of the Chulalongkorn University, based in Bangkok).

206. Access to clean drinking water and sanitation is one of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. This issue is particularly acute in coastal rural areas of Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand where surface river water and groundwater serve as the primary sources of drinking water. Due to surface water degradation and seasonal fluctuations, these regions frequently depend on groundwater. However, local groundwater is prone to seawater intrusion and is mostly brackish, with total dissolved solids (TDS) ranging from 150 to 14,500 mg/l. Long-term consumption of such poor-quality water can cause gastrointestinal disorders, weaken the immune system, and increase the risk of cancer and kidney diseases, thereby presenting severe threats to public health. Consequently, these areas are confronted with surface water pollution, groundwater salinization, and shortage in energy supply and suitable water treatment technologies. Currently, reverse osmosis (RO) is a state-of-the-art electricity-intensive treatment and desalination technology, which can effectively reduce TDS in water, thereby safeguarding drinking water and public health. While conventional power supply is insufficient in these equatorial coastal regions, they are endowed with abundant solar energy resources that can be converted into electricity through photovoltaic panels and RO systems can be operated independently without relying on grid support and achieving very low operational costs.

207. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at addressing the drinking water problem in participating countries through the promotion of photovoltaic-reverse osmosis (PV-RO). Specific objectives are (a) to reduce the TDS of brackish water using PV-RO technology, improve drinking water quality in rural areas, and protect residents' health; (b) to implement off-grid energy supply for RO systems through the integration of RO technology and solar photovoltaic power, thus lowering operating costs; (c) to develop PV-RO technology suitable for rural coastal areas of participating countries through project implementation, and promote the popularization and application of PV-RO units; (d) to install 60 sets of PV-RO units in rural coastal areas of the participating countries; and (e) to train 40-60 technicians of the participating countries, who will provide technical services for the design, construction and maintenance of PV-RO units, and accumulate experience for replication in other developing countries.

208. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twenty-four (24) months, is estimated at US\$ 91,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 56,000 in-kind) would be provided by the participating institutions. A breakdown of the total cost is shown on the table below:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	12,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	23,000	(*)	(*)
Other	0	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	56,000	91,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

209. The Committee noted that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

210. This proposal received a relatively higher priority compared to others from the same country and was selected to be supported. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that US\$ 28,000 be allocated to this end.

Proposal No. 26- *Composting technology guidelines for farmers in Andean countries*

211. The Biogas Institute of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA), based in Chengdu city, Sichuan province, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations.. Other participating countries would be Argentina (through the Research Center in Veterinary and Agronomy Sciences of the Nacional Institute of Agricultural Technology – INTA, based in Buenos Aires), Bolivia (through the Santa Cruz Private Technology University – UTEPSA, based in Santa Cruz), and Colombia (through the University Corporation Minute of God – UNIMINUTO, based in Bogota).

212. Climate change is significantly exacerbating the vulnerability of agricultural systems in the Andean region, posing increasingly severe challenges to smallholders-dominated agricultural production. Long-term overcultivation and unsustainable agricultural management have led to increasingly severe soil degradation in the region, further weakening the ability of agricultural systems to cope with risks. In addition, large quantities of agricultural and domestic organic waste are not effectively utilized, resulting in both resource waste and additional environmental pressure. Despite its potential, the promotion of farmer-level composting technologies in the Andean region still faces multiple challenges, namely (a) strong climatic variations, ranging from tropical lowlands to high-altitude alpine zone; (b) high diversity of agricultural systems in the region. Crops such as maize, potatoes and quinoa are cultivated at different altitudes and often combined with livestock activities, resulting in complex organic waste streams; (c) lack of technical knowledge needed to manage key parameters, such as carbon-nitrogen balance and moisture control, which may lead to low composting efficiency or fermentation failure; and (d) limited farmers' acceptance of technologies if they are introduced without adequate respect for local agricultural culture and traditional practices.

213. According to the text of the proposal, the overall objective of the project is to address the intertwined challenges of severe soil degradation, climate vulnerability, and organic waste pollution faced by smallholder farmers in the Andean regions of Argentina, Bolivia and Colombia. In this regard, the project will develop low-cost, climate-adapted guidelines for household-scale micro composting tailored to local conditions. Core activities include (a) conducting needs assessments and technical adaptability evaluations; (b) producing composting guidelines and demonstration videos; and (c) building a cross-border knowledge-sharing community.

214. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twenty-four (24) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. The source of other inputs (US\$ 35,000) is not identified in the supporting documents. A breakdown of the total cost is provided below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	12,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	5,000	(*)	(*)
Subcontract A (translation)	8,000	(*)	(*)
Subcontract B (video production)	6,000	(*)	(*)
Other	4,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

215. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

216. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 27 – Extended Reality (XR)-enabled manufacturing skills training for industrial transformation in developing countries.

217. CIFAL Shanghai International Training Center, based in Shanghai, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Gambia (through the Office of the President of the Gambia, based in Banjul) and Nigeria (through the Conference of Speakers of State Legislatures, based in Abuja) and a staff officer of the African Union Commission, based in Addis Ababa.

218. The manufacturing sector in developing countries faces a critical skill cap as the fourth industrial revolution accelerates globally. Traditional manufacturing, which has long served as the backbone of economic growth in these nations, is increasingly challenged by automation, digitalization and intelligent production systems. Without urgent intervention, this transformation risks exacerbating unemployment and economic inequality, rather than creating inclusive growth opportunities. Immersive digital technologies, particularly Extended Reality (XR) and digital twin systems, represent a paradigm shift in industrial skills development. These technologies enable workers to acquire complex manufacturing competencies through simulated, risk-free environments, significantly reducing training costs and time while improving knowledge retention. However, developing countries often lack access to these advanced training methodologies due to infrastructure limitations, high equipment costs, and insufficient technical expertise.

219. According to the text of the proposal, the project focuses on Extended Reality (XR)-enabled manufacturing skills training for industrial transformation in developing countries. Core activities include (a) introduction of key components of immersive digital infrastructure, such as XR, digital twin systems and intelligent simulation platforms; (b) introduction to the governance framework of immersive ecosystems and human-centered digital manufacturing; (c) sharing of China's experiences in metaverse-enabled industrial transformation, with emphasis on the significance of transitioning from labor-intensive manufacturing to intelligent skill-based industries; and (d) promotion of knowledge transfer and South-South cooperation for sustainable industrial digital transformation.

220. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in nine (9) months, is estimated at US\$ 85,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 50,000) will be provided by the submitting institution. A breakdown of the total cost is shown on the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	11,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	4,000	(*)	(*)
Training	15,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	2,000	(*)	(*)
Other	3,000	(*)	(*)

Total	35,000	50,000	85,000
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(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

221. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

222. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 28 – *Training and promotion of oil crops cultivation techniques in Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Angola.*

223. The China-Africa Innovation Cooperation Center, based in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Angola (through the enterprise *Mzaoaowaan Agropecuaria Tecnologia & Desenvolvimento, Lda.*, based in Bengo province), Mozambique (through the Institute for Agrarian Research – IIAM-, based in Maputo), and Zimbabwe (through the Zimbabwe Lian Feng Company, Ltd., based in Harare).

224. Sesame, soybean and rapeseed are core oil crops in Angola, Mozambique and Zimbabwe, which are pillar industries for regional edible oil security, export earnings and income growth for over 150,000 farmers. With a total planting area of over 1.2 million hectares across the three countries, the sector has sound large-scale development potential, but is constrained by three common bottlenecks, namely (a) severe variety and yield gaps that lead to a permanent supply-demand deficit. Most planted varieties are traditional self-retained seeds with serious degradation, poor stress resistance, and high-quality variety coverage below 20%; (b) insufficient standardized cultivation capacity, with a fragmented grassroots extension system. Smallholders generally adopt extensive traditional farming, lacking scientific water and fertilizer management, green pest control and crop rotation technologies; and (c) absence of a cross-regional South-South technical cooperation mechanism, making mature models unable to scale up. In this connection, the submitting institution has successfully completed a PGTF-funded vegetable planting project in the three participating countries, with a verified mature model of “technical training – demonstration – organizational empowerment”, which provides a solid foundation for the proposed project to solve the abovementioned bottlenecks (cf. project INT/24/K01 completed in February 2026).

225. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at upgrading oil crop cultivation in the participating countries to address the common bottlenecks of variety degradation, low unit yield, insufficient standardized cultivation techniques and weak grassroots agricultural extension in local sesame, soybean and rapeseed planting. Core activities include (a) appointment of an experienced team of Chinese agricultural experts specialized in oil crop breeding, together with local technical backbones and professional translators, to carry out the training activities, ensuring that the content is locally adaptable, easy to understand, and effectively applicable by trainees in actual production; (b) establishment of a standardized oil crop demonstration base in each of the three participating countries to showcase improved high-yield drought-resistant varieties and green and efficient cultivation techniques for sesame, soybean and rapeseed, providing an intuitive and replicable learning model for local farmers; and (c) establishment of a regular on-site tracking and technical support mechanism to solve production problems in a timely manner, and ensure that trained farmers can fully master the standardized oil crop cultivation techniques and achieve stable and high-quality output.

226. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$ 63,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 31,000. Others contribution (US\$ 32,000) would be

provided by the submitting institution (US\$ 10,000) and the Hubei Province Liang Feng Overseas Agriculture Development Group Co. Ltd. (US\$ 22,000). If PGTF cannot allocate the resources requested in full, a minimum PGTF contribution of US\$ 30,000 would be required to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is shown on the table below:

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	4,350	(*)	(*)
Travel	3,000	(*)	(*)
Training	14,950	(*)	(*)
Transportation	4,500	(*)	(*)
Other	4,200	(*)	(*)
Total	31,000	32,000	63,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

227. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

228. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 29 – Demonstration and promotion of high-value utilization technologies of marine biological resources in developing countries.

229. The Fujian Science, Technology and Culture Innovation Association (FSTCIA), Based in Fuzhou, Fujian province, China, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations. Other participating countries are Indonesia (through the PT Kentford Group Indonesia, based in Jakarta), Thailand (through the Thai Minsan Association, based in Bangkok), and Viet Nam (through the TC Global Group Joint Stock, based in Ho Chi Minh city). The Fujian Baimeng Medical Technology Co. Ltd., based in Fuzhou, will be the subcontractor of the project.

230. High-value utilization technologies of marine biological resources refer to a technical system that extracts active substances from marine organisms through modern biotechnological means and develops high-value-added products such as pharmaceuticals, testing reagents, and food products. They serve as an important pillar for the high-quality development of the marine economy. China has established a relatively complete technical system in this field, accumulating rich experience in active substance extraction, purification processes, quality control, and industrial application, with some technologies reaching internationally advanced levels. However, although many developing countries possess abundant marine biological resources, they lack systematic technological development capabilities and industrial experience, remaining at the primary utilization stage with low resource development efficiency, insufficient deep-processing capacity, and heavy dependence on imports for high-value-added products. Taking marine biomedical raw materials as an example, the lack of relevant technical systems has led to these countries long being constrained in areas such as drug safety testing and biological product development. The root cause lies in the absence of local technical systems and professional talents, making it difficult to extend the value chain from resources to products.

231. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at helping participating countries establish localized high-value utilization technology systems for marine biological resources through technology transfer and capacity building, facilitating transformation from resource dependence to technology-driven development. Core activities include (a) research and preparation oriented to assessing the current status of marine biological resource utilization technologies in China, identifying counterparts, organizing technical seminars and formulating a transferable technical system plan (b) construction of domestic demonstration sites in the participating countries and a marine biotechnology demonstration laboratory in China to verify the applicability and replicability of the technical system; (c) technical training and on-site guidance, involving theoretical training and hands-on practice in China for technical personnel from the participating countries, as well as sending Chinese technical teams to the participating countries to provide on-site guidance and support to laboratory construction and operation; and (d) local dissemination and follow-up support to assist partner countries in establishing local technical teams, provide remote technical guidance through online platforms, promote local application of the technology, and form long-term cooperation mechanisms.

232. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twenty-four (24) months, is estimated US\$ 100,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 65,000) would be provided by Fujian Baimeng Medical Technology Co. Ltd. If PGTF cannot allocate in full the resources requested, the project cannot be launched. A breakdown of the total cost is provided on the table below:

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	6,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	8,000	(*)	(*)
Training	12,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	8,000	(*)	(*)
Other	1,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	65,000	100,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

233. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. However, due to the large number of eligible proposals submitted this year compared to available resources, a two-round prioritization process was carried out, the first one involving the proposals submitted from the same country (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report).

234. This proposal received a relatively lower priority compared to others from the same country and, with a view to providing meaningful funding to those having a relatively higher priority, the Committee recommended that this proposal should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 30 – Regional digital architecture: governance, innovation and technology financing for sustainable development in Latin America and the Caribbean through South-South and Triangular cooperation mechanisms.

235. The Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela, directly submitted the proposal. The proposal was endorsed by the Latin American Council, SELA governing body, through the adoption of the Secretariat's work plan at its 51st meeting, held in Caracas, Venezuela, in December 2025. Collective beneficiaries would be the 23 member countries of SELA, namely Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Colombia, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela.

236. The Latin American and Caribbean region is currently experiencing a technological landscape that is unprecedented in history, which has been described as a strategic window of opportunity to overcome the structural traps of regional development by harnessing emerging technologies, in particular artificial intelligence (AI) and the data economy. This window of opportunity is opening asymmetrically: while the region is accelerating the adoption of technology, deep gaps persist in the areas of technology governance, digital infrastructure and innovation funding, which threaten to turn this opportunity into a new source of inequality.

237. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at promoting a forum for high-level regional dialogue and reflection, pooling efforts to foster technology governance, digital innovation and technology financing as key drivers for sustainable development in the region. Specific objectives are (a) providing an up-to-date overview of the state of regional digital architecture in Latin America and the Caribbean; (b) identifying institutional frameworks, guiding principles and standards for multisectoral governance regarding the regulation of emerging technologies, including artificial intelligence, the data economy, cybersecurity, digital sovereignty, distributed ledger technologies and digital government; (c) exchanging experiences and lessons learnt regarding the implementation of digital innovation policies and technological infrastructure; (d) analyzing and systematizing the role of South-South and Triangular Cooperation as a strategic mechanism for the horizontal transfer of technological capabilities, regulatory frameworks and financial models; and (e) formulating a roadmap or letter of intent containing public policy recommendations and regional strategic guidelines on technological governance, innovation and digital financing.

238. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in eighteen (18) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 30,000. Other inputs (US\$ 40,000) will be provided by SELA (US\$ 30,000) and the host country (US\$ 10,000). A breakdown of the total cost is presented on the table below.

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	21,000	(*)	(*)
Training	7,300	(*)	(*)
Other	1,700	(*)	(*)
Total	30,000	40,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

239. The Committee noted inconsistencies in the financial figures provided in the supporting documentation. While in the checklist the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000, in the model format this amount is reduced to US\$ 30,000. The Committee decided to appraise the proposal based on the financial figures from the model format, which contain more detailed and internally consistent information.

240. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US\$ 26,000** be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 31 – Feasibility study and development of an alternative to the dimensional method for the calibration of a bell-piston prover gas flow standard.

241. The University Foundation Los Libertadores (FULL), based in Bogota, Colombia, directly submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Argentina (through the Faculty of Exact, Physical and

Natural Sciences of the Cordoba National University -FCEF y N – UNC, based in Cordoba) and China (through the Guangdong Technion Israel Institute of Technology, based in Shantou, Guandong province). The National Metrology Institute of Colombia, based in Bogota, Colombia, would also participate in the activities of the project.

242. Reliable measurement of gas volume and flow plays a crucial role in the economic development, social equity and energy security of any nation. In developing countries where natural gas is a relevant input in the energy matrix for electricity generation, industrial processes, transportation, and residential consumption, the accuracy of these measurements directly impacts commercial transactions involving billions of dollars annually. Small systematic errors in gas flow measurement, on the order of just one percent, can lead to multimillion-dollar economic losses, disputes among producers, transporters, and distributors, and unfair disadvantages for end users who receive inaccurate bills. Additionally, regional energy integration through binational pipelines and interconnection agreements requires that measurements taken in different countries be comparable and metrologically equivalent, which is only possible if the calibration laboratories in the region base their results on solid and internationally harmonized traceability chains. The traditional method for calibrating Bell-Piston Prover standards, known as the dimensional method, requires completely disassembling the piston to measure its internal diameters with high-precision equipment, leading to prolonged downtime of the standard, a high risk of damage to precision seals, reliance on highly specialized personnel, and high operational costs.

243. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at developing an alternative calibration method for the Bell-Piston Prover, a national primary standard for gas flow, that does not require disassembling the piston as the current dimensional method does. Core activities include (a) to complete and document a technical and economic feasibility study, including simulation; (b) to carry out a detailed design of the calibration system prototype, including CAD (computer-aided-design) drawings and P&ID (piping and instrumentation diagram); (c) to construct and install a functional prototype, including sensors, valves, DAQ (data acquisition), and connection interfaces to the Bell-Piston Prover; and (d) to conduct measurements using the alternative method, with expanded uncertainty estimation, and compare with the dimensional method.

244. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twenty-four (24) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) will be provided by the participating institutions. A breakdown of the total is shown on the table below.

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	9,000	(*)	(*)
Subcontract	3,000	(*)	(*)
Equipment	23,000	(*)	(*)
Other	0	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

245. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US\$ 29,000** be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 32 – Productive territories: Female entrepreneurial ecosystem in Latin American rural communities.

246. The FUNDAVALOR Foundation, a non-governmental organization based in Asuncion, Paraguay, submitted the proposal through the Directorate General of Scientific and Technological Research of the National University of Asunción (DGIT-UNA), based in San Lorenzo, Paraguay. Other participating countries would be Costa Rica (through the Remote State University – *Universidad Estatal a Distancia* – UNED, based in San Jose) and Cuba (through the National Institute of Agrarian Sciences – INCA, based in San Jose de las Lajas, Mayabeque province).

247. In Latin America, rural areas face a structural development gap manifested in limited access to basic services, infrastructure, and financial markets. However, the disparity deepens dramatically when analyzed from a gender perspective. Rural women are responsible for a significant portion of food production and sustaining the local economy, yet they face systemic barriers, namely less access to land ownership, lack of technical training, and a disproportionate burden of unpaid care work. The absence of Entrepreneur Support Offices with an effective territorial presence perpetuates informality. Without technical support that understands rural dynamics, women's entrepreneurial potential is relegated to subsistence activities, limiting innovation and scalability of their projects.

248. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at implementing Entrepreneur Support Offices with a gender sensitive approach to facilitate a shift from generic technical assistance to transformative support. Core activities include (a) characterization of the rural production system in each participating country and identification of productive potential; (b) local training on topics related to the Entrepreneur Support Office; and (c) training and advising rural women on entrepreneurship.

249. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twenty-three (23) months, is estimated at US\$ 75,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 40,000) will be provided by the participating institutions. A breakdown of the total cost is presented on the table below.

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	0	(*)	(*)
Travel	0	(*)	(*)
Subcontract A	24,000	(*)	(*)
Subcontract B	11,000	(*)	(*)
Other	0	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	40,000	75,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

250. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US\$ 28,000** be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 33 – Strengthening South-South cooperation for community-based management of native seeds in Latin America.

251. The Alternative Community Marketing Network (Red COMAL), based in Siguatepeque, Honduras, directly submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Ecuador (through the Foundation Maquita, based in Quito), Mexico (through the Integral Community Promotion of Youth, civil association – SEPICJ, based in Tehuacan, Puebla state), and Panama (through the Association of Organic Production and Solidary Marketing – PROCOSOL, based in Panama City).

252. Rural and indigenous communities in Ecuador, Panama, Honduras, and Mexico are facing a progressive loss of food-producing native seeds, resulting in weakened agricultural biodiversity, increased dependence on commercial seeds, and reduced ability to adapt to climate change. Although these countries possess a diverse array of native seeds, there is little data on the status of different varieties of native seeds, the specific locations where they are cultivated, and the characteristics of the producers and organizations that act as seed guardians. Interactive observatory-type platforms are needed to enable the storage of information on native seeds and serve as a reference for producers and organizations across Latin America. The proposal is part of the strategic plan of the Latin American Network for the Community-Based Marketing (RELACC) and its national networks located in the participating countries.

253. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at strengthening horizontal South-South cooperation by coordinating common strategies for the conservation and/or protection of native food seeds. Core activities include (a) compiling a regional inventory of native food seeds; (b) profiling seed producers and seed-saving organizations; and (c) creating an interactive platform managed by the national networks to ensure sustainability and ongoing updates.

254. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in one (1) year, is estimated at US\$ 71,100 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 36,100) will be provided by the participating institutions and other sources, including the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD). If PGTF cannot allocate the resources requested in full, a minimum PGTF input of US\$ 30,000 would be required to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is presented on the table below.

	Total contribution (US\$)		
Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	16,149	(*)	(*)
Travel	0	(*)	(*)
Training	3,000	(*)	(*)
Characterization & inventory of producers	10,500	(*)	(*)
Digital platform support	3,000	(*)	(*)
Other	2,351	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	36,100	71,100

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

255. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US\$ 29,000** be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 34 – Strengthening technical and entrepreneurial skills in sustainable energy in West and Central Africa.

256. The Regional Center of Excellence for Electricity Management (CERME) of the Lome University, based in Lome, Togo, directly submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Benin and Côte d'Ivoire, but no institutions from these countries were identified in the supporting documentation.

257. West and Central African countries face major challenges in the electricity sector, hindering sustainable development, economic growth, and progress towards Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These challenges include (a) high transmission and distribution losses, (b) low integration of renewable energy, and (c) skills mismatch in energy efficiency and renewable energy sectors. Combination of high losses, low

renewable energy penetration and persistent skills gaps creates a vicious cycle: increased energy waste, high costs, limited access, slow energy transition, and constraints on regional socio-economic development.

258. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at strengthening cross border capacity, fostering experience sharing, and deploying pilot demonstrators across the three participating countries, thereby accelerating an efficient, inclusive and sustainable energy transition. Core activities include regional workshops, cross training (60-90 participants), pilot mini-demonstrators, and shared tools (bilingual guide, reusable modules, and alumni mentoring network).

259. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,760 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. There is no indication of the sources of other inputs to the project (US\$ 35,760). A breakdown of the total cost is shown on the table below.

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	(*)	(*)	2,800
Travel	(*)	(*)	13,510
Training	(*)	(*)	32,370
Equipment	(*)	(*)	7,200
Other	(*)	(*)	14,880
Total	35,000	35,760	70,760

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

260. The Committee considered that this proposal does not comply with guideline A(f) for utilization for PGTF resources, which requires that for nationally executed projects to be eligible, the cooperative component of the project should be established through the identification and declared interest of and explicit participation by the other participating countries as potential beneficiaries of the activities of the project. Accordingly, written evidence of endorsement should be part of the proposal. In the supporting documentation, the institutions of the other participating countries were not identified, and **no** endorsement letters were included.

261. The Committee therefore considered that this proposal, as submitted, is not eligible for funding and recommended that it should **not** avail from the financing of PGTF.

Project proposal No. 35 – Circular economy and quality management for food security in rural communities of Panama, Cuba and Colombia.

262. The Specialized University of the Americas (UDELAS), based in Panama City, Panama, directly submitted the proposal. Other participating countries would be Colombia (through the Colombia Catholic University, based in Bogota) and Cuba (through the Havana Agrarian University -UNAH- based in San Jose de las Lajas, Mayabeque province).

263. Food insecurity is a continued structural challenge in Latin America. According to the major international organizations, around 31% of the regional population face moderate or severe food insecurity, the most impacted being the rural and vulnerable communities. In the region, small and medium-scale systems account for an important share of the agri-food production, where quality management and food safety practices are not always applied in a systematic manner. This situation stems not only from lack of regulation, but also from deeper constraints related to technical training, access to appropriate tools, and adaptation of standards to real productive contexts. As a result, a considerable share of food produced is lost across the supply chain, especially in stages where technical controls are limited. Many food processing stages in the

participating countries take place without a clear control of critical variables such as hygiene, water quality or standardization of procedures, thereby increasing risks associated with food safety and directly impacting the quality of the final product. The One Health approach is essential to understanding this situation, since food safety is closely linked to human and animal health, as well as environmental sustainability. Lack of adequate quality protocols affects public health, economic resilience of small producers and sustainability of the local ecosystems.

264. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at articulating the specific capacities of each participating institution to generate a comprehensive process of strengthening the food security of vulnerable communities. Core activities include (a) design of a regional training program on quality management and food safety for small and medium-scale producers of the participating countries, following a One Health and circular economy approach; (b) validation of food quality and safety protocols adopted by local production units; and (c) establishment of a technical cooperation network involving institutions of the three participating countries for exchange of experiences and good practices in agri-food systems.

265. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twenty-four (24) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) will be provided in-kind by the participating institutions. A breakdown of the total cost is shown on the table below.

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Item	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	9,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	13,500	(*)	(*)
Training	7,500	(*)	(*)
Subcontract	1,500	(*)	(*)
Equipment	3,000	(*)	(*)
Other	500	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

266. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US\$ 28,000** be allocated to this end.

Project proposal No. 36 – *Food safety and security using appropriate innovative technology.*

267. The Chiang Mai University, based in Chiang Mai, Thailand, submitted the proposal through the Permanent Mission of Thailand to the United Nations. Other participating countries would be Lao People's Democratic Republic (through the Souphanouvong University, based in Luang Prabang) and Viet Nam (through the Non-Lam University, based in Ho Chi Minh City).

268. In the post-COVID era, the Lancang-Mekong region continues to face critical challenges in food safety and security, especially among small- and medium-sized (SMEs) food producers. Although the immediate crisis of the pandemic has subsided, its long-term impact has transformed consumer expectations, supply chains, and food production systems. There is now a growing demand for safe, hygienic, and traceable food – not only for public health, but also for maintaining consumer trust in the “new normal life”. In Thailand, Lao PDR and Viet Nam, foodborne illnesses and poor postharvest practices continue to hinder food security. Many local food producers still lack access to appropriate technologies, risk management tools, and basic training in food safety standards. Transition to the new normal requires a shift in mindset and practice, from reactive to proactive food safety management, from traditional methods to technology-assisted processing, and from fragmented responses to integrated, community-based food security solutions.

269. According to the text of the proposal, the project aims at enhancing local capacities, promoting innovative and context-specific technologies, and building a foundation for long-term food security and economic resilience in the region. Specific objectives are (a) to identify the specific needs and challenges of local food producers, SMEs and community-based enterprises using a baseline assessment; (b) to conduct targeted training programs to improve knowledge and practices related to food safety standards, such as Good Hygiene Practices (GHP), Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), and Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP); (c) to develop and train local risk managers, who will play a key role in supporting implementation on the ground; and (d) to transfer practical and context-specific food processing and preservation technologies, including through demonstration units and prototype tools, virtual seminars, technical exchanges, and joint development of manuals and guidelines.

270. The total cost of the project, to be implemented in twelve (12) months, is estimated at US\$ 70,000 and the contribution requested from PGTF amounts to US\$ 35,000. Other inputs (US\$ 35,000) will be provided by the Chiang Mai University (US\$ 30,000) and the Thailand International Cooperation Agency– TICA (US\$ 5,000). If PGTF cannot allocate the resources requested in full, a minimum PGTF input of US\$ 32,000 would be required to launch the project. A breakdown of the total cost is presented on the table below.

Item	Total contribution (US\$)		
	PGTF	Other	Total
Personnel	5,000	(*)	(*)
Travel	5,000	(*)	(*)
Subcontract	3,000	(*)	(*)
Training	20,000	(*)	(*)
Other	2,000	(*)	(*)
Total	35,000	35,000	70,000

(*) No breakdown was provided in the supporting documents.

271. The Committee noted inconsistencies in the supporting documentation, between the other input in the checklist (US\$ 10,000) and the other input in the model format (US\$ 35,000). In this connection, the Committee decided to appraise the proposal based on the information from the model format, which is more detailed and internally consistent.

272. The Committee considered that this proposal complies in general with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF resources and is eligible for funding. The Committee therefore recommended that this proposal avail from the financing of PGTF and that **US\$ 28,000** be allocated to this end.

Project INT/00/K08 – “Support to the Committee of Experts” – Contribution Agreement

273. Project INT/00/K08 supports the work of the Committee of Experts. Allocations of US\$ 30,000 in 2007, US\$ 40,000 in 2008, and US\$ 35,000 in 2009 were approved with a view to providing the resources to hold up to a maximum of two meetings of the Committee per year, as established in guideline B(i) for utilization of PGTF resources. This allocation was based on actual costs of the meetings of the Committee, which averaged US\$ 15,000 per meeting from 1998 to 2005, but increased to US\$ 18,000 in 2006, US\$ 20,000 in 2007 and US\$ 22,500 in 2008. In 2009, the cost per meeting was also US\$ 22,500 and in 2010 it increased to US\$ 25,000. In 2011, the estimated cost per meeting was reduced to US\$ 22,000 because only four of the six members would come from their capitals, but the cost increased to US\$ 25,000 in 2012 as a fifth member came from his capital. Estimated cost for 2013 was reduced to US\$ 20,000 as only four members would come from their capitals.

274. Due to the limited resources available, in 2009 the Committee recommended that the allocation be reduced from two to one meeting per year and this practice has been followed in subsequent years. As a result, no further allocation was made to the budget of project INT/00/K08 for 2010 and the balance of funds in the project was utilized to cover costs for that year.

275. In 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014 the Committee recommended allocating respectively US\$ 30,000, US\$ 22,000, US\$ 20,000, US\$ 20,000, and US\$ 25,000 to cover the cost of one meeting each year, as well as the funds needed for dissemination and resource mobilization activities.

276. In late 2014, a Contribution Agreement was signed between PGTF and UNOSSC, aimed at providing the funds to support the costs of holding the Committee meetings and expenses related to fund raising and dissemination of PGTF activities. The unspent balance of allocations made to project INT/00/K08 was transferred to the new mechanism. In 2015 a new multi-year Contribution Agreement was signed to provide continuity to the support to the Committee of Experts.

277. In 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 the Committee recommended allocating US\$ 25,000, US\$ 30,000, US\$ 20,000, US\$ 25,000, and US\$ 20,000 to cover the cost of one meeting each year, as well as the funds needed for dissemination and resource mobilization activities. Allocations assumed participation of the six members of the Committee coming from their respective capitals or postings and actual expenses were some years lower because some members were unable to participate in the meetings. Unspent balances of each year were added to the budget for following one to minimize annual allocations, which would be around US\$ 35,000 per year in the absence of budget rollovers.

278. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic related travel limitations and inability to hold in-person meetings, the Committee held its 2020 meeting in a virtual format with all the members participating from their respective locations and therefore no travel expenses were incurred. Since at that time there was no firm indication of what the situation might be in 2021, the Committee recommended making an allocation of US\$ 15,000 for 2021, mainly to be used for the promotion of the Fund and a new resource-mobilization strategy.

279. The 2021 meeting of the Committee was also held in a virtual format with all the members participating from their respective locations and therefore no travel expenses were incurred. Due to the above, the Committee recommended that no allocation be made for 2022.

280. Under the assumption that the 2023 meeting of the Committee would be held in-person, the associated travel expenses were to be funded from the unspent balance available by end-2022. In addition, in 2023 a special dissemination and resource mobilization effort was planned to be carried out on the 40th anniversary of the United Nations General Assembly Resolution that established PGTF. To this end, the Committee at its 2022 meeting in virtual format recommended making an allocation of US\$ 10,000 for 2023.

281. The 2023 meeting of the Committee was in fact held in-person with the participation of five members of the Committee coming from their respective capitals or postings. Total costs for holding the meeting were US\$ 27,600 and it was expected to incur additional expenses in 2023 associated with the above-mentioned resource-mobilization efforts. Estimated costs for 2024 were US\$ 35,000 and to this end the Committee recommended allocating US\$ 20,000, the difference to be funded from the unspent balance available by-end 2023. The Committee agreed to hold its 2024 meeting in virtual format, and hence it did not incur travel and living costs. The Committee therefore recommended that the US\$ 20,000 allocation made in 2023 be utilized to meet the costs of the 2025 meeting of the Committee and that no additional allocation to this end be made in 2024. Likewise, the 2025 and 2026 meetings of the Committee were again held in virtual format and the Committee concluded that no additional allocation would be required for an in-person meeting in 2027, the expenses of which would be funded by the unspent balance available by end-2026.

SUMMARY OF PROJECT PROPOSALS RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

282. In summary, the Committee recommended that the following seventeen (17) new project proposals avail from the financing of PGTF and resources allocated to this end amount to US\$ 479,000. A breakdown of this total is provided in the table below:

<i>Project</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Allocation (\$US)</i>
<i>(1)</i>	<i>Enhancing diagnostic capacities, prevention and control of hydatid disease (HD) in dogs, sheep, goats, cattle, camels and humans, with emphasis on their pathology and epidemiology in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Yemen, and Jordan.....</i>	<i>31,000</i>
<i>(2)</i>	<i>Regional health security: strengthening the capacities of inspectors from Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica, Panama, Dominican Republic, and El Salvador for the detection and control of counterfeit and substandard medicines linked to organized crime.....</i>	<i>20,000</i>
<i>(3)</i>	<i>Workshop on enhancing SME competitiveness through digital trade and Islamic finance.....</i>	<i>31,000</i>
<i>(4)</i>	<i>Assessing regulatory frameworks for implementing the AfCFTA digital trade protocol in SADC countries: a South-South capacity building and peer exchange initiative.....</i>	<i>28,000</i>
<i>(5)</i>	<i>Strengthening of an Argentina-Colombia-Uruguay network as a regional scalable model for the surveillance of a neglected human oncovirus.....</i>	<i>28,000</i>
<i>(6)</i>	<i>Caribbean cooperation for the development of marine bioproducts with application in health and environmental sustainability.....</i>	<i>28,000</i>
<i>(7)</i>	<i>Development and introduction of cultivars with tolerance to different types of abiotic stress with a focus on circular agriculture and utilization of sustainable production technologies.....</i>	<i>31,000</i>
<i>(8)</i>	<i>Latin America network for the scientific and technical development of ergonomics laboratories with impact on strategic sectors of the countries.....</i>	<i>29,000</i>
<i>(9)</i>	<i>Exchange and promotion of key technologies for the sustainable supply and regulation of water resources in reservoir water-sourced areas for ecological, production, and livelihood needs in Asian countries.....</i>	<i>29,000</i>
<i>(10)</i>	<i>Supporting Pacific Island countries in building technological capacity for efficient production and processing of specialty beverage crops.....</i>	<i>28,000</i>
<i>(11)</i>	<i>Technological training and demonstration of photovoltaic reverse osmosis unit for safe drinking water in rural areas of Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia.....</i>	<i>28,000</i>
<i>(12)</i>	<i>Regional digital architecture: governance, innovation and technology financing for sustainable development in Latin America and the Caribbean through South-South and Triangular cooperation mechanisms.....</i>	<i>26,000</i>
<i>(13)</i>	<i>Feasibility study and development of an alternative to the dimensional method for the calibration of a bell-piston prover gas flow standard.....</i>	<i>29,000</i>
<i>(14)</i>	<i>Productive territories: Female entrepreneurial ecosystem in Latin American rural communities.....</i>	<i>28,000</i>
<i>(15)</i>	<i>Strengthening South-South cooperation for community-based management of native seeds in Latin America.....</i>	<i>29,000</i>
<i>(16)</i>	<i>Circular economy and quality management for food security in rural communities of Panama, Cuba and Colombia.....</i>	<i>28,000</i>
<i>(17)</i>	<i>Food safety and security using appropriate innovative technology.....</i>	<i>28,000</i>

<i>Project</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Allocation (\$US)</i>
	<i>TOTAL</i>	479,000

283. According to the information provided by UNOSSC, uncommitted resources in 2026 amount to US\$ 499,599, including the projected interest earnings from 1 January to 31 December 2026. These uncommitted resources are the difference between total assets as of 30 June 2026 (US\$ 8,496,619) and the core capital (US\$ 7,000,000) plus liabilities (US\$ 997,019), the latter consisting of the reserve for commitments to approved projects. A detailed breakdown of the financial status of PGTF is provided in Annex IV.

284. Total resources requested by the eligible proposals recommended for adoption on the table above are US\$ 569,000. Resources available (US\$ 499,599) were enough to meet 88 percent of the amount requested by these proposals. Actual allocations in 2026 to the proposals were made based on priorities derived from the specific merits of the proposals, country and regional coverage, and equitable geographical distribution. It should be noted that the selected eligible proposals were the result of a two-round prioritization process. In the first round, fifteen (15) proposals that complied with the guidelines were not selected at this time because of the application of the equitable geographical distribution principle established in the guidelines. In the second round, prioritization was reflected in the respective allocations recommended for the selected eligible proposals (cf. paragraphs 54 and 55 of this report). Application of these criteria resulted in an actual allocation of US\$ 479,000 for 2026, slightly lower than the available resources.

IV. ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF APPROVED PROJECTS

285. The Committee examined the status of implementation of projects adopted by the 34th to 49th Annual Meetings of Ministers for Foreign Affairs, held in New York respectively in the months of September from 2010 to 2025.

286. The following twelve (12) terminal and financial reports on projects under implementation, received until 6 July 2026, were made available to the Committee of Experts. In addition, UNOSSC provided information on the status of fifty-seven (57) projects under implementation.

- 1. Final report submitted by the Pir Mehr Ali Shah (PMAS) Arid Agriculture University from Pakistan for project INT/15/K07 – “Surveillance and pathogen characterization of Bacterial Canker of Stone Fruits using biochemical and molecular methods and its bio-management”*
- 2. Final report submitted by the Quilmes National University from Argentina for project INT/22/K02 – “Incubation platform for entrepreneurship and collaborative networks of popular, social and solidarity economy with a territorial focus – INCUBEPS”*
- 3. Final report submitted by the Fujian Science, Technology and Culture Association from China for project INT/22/K03 – “Demonstration and promotion of high-efficiency rapid propagation technology of plant tissue culture in developing countries”*
- 4. Final report submitted by the Center of Agricultural Innovation of the Viet Nam National University of Agriculture --- for project INT/22/K05 - “Quinoa production for food security under drought conditions in Central Highland, Viet Nam”*
- 5. Final report submitted by CIFAL, Shanghai International Training Center from China for project INT/23/K06 – “Digital application capability building for developing countries”*
- 6. Final report submitted by the Promotion Association for Mountain-River-Lake Regional Sustainable Development (MRLSD) from China for project INT/23/K07 – “Capacity building on renewable energy development in the post epidemic era”*
- 7. Final report submitted by the International Center of Small Hydropower (ICSHP) from China for project INT/23/K09 – “Promoting the application and demonstration of multi-energy complementary systems in developing countries through a training program”*

8. *Final report submitted by the Basic Business Unit (UEB) Bioprocesos Cuba-10 for project INT/23/K12 – “Production of enzymatic biocatalysts (a-amylase, dextranase) from renewable sugarcane by-products using Pichia pastoris”*
9. *Final report submitted the China-Africa Innovation Cooperation Center from China for project INT/24/K01- “High-yield vegetable cultivation technology training and promotion in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Angola”*
10. *Final report submitted by the Biogas Institute (BIOMA) from China for project INT/24/K02 - “Training course on biogas plant design and construction”*
11. *Final report submitted by the Institute for Sugarcane Research (INICA) from Cuba for project INT/24/K11 - “Characterization as biological pesticides of isolates of the symbiotic complex constituted by the Photorhabdus luminescens bacteria and the Heterorhabditis amazonensis nematode”*
12. *Financial statement submitted by the Executive Secretariat of the Group of 77 in New York for project INT/00/K08 – “Support to the Committee of Experts of PGTF – Contribution Agreement”*

287. According to the status of their implementation, approved projects can be grouped into several categories:

- (a) Projects completed.
- (b) Projects under implementation.
- (c) Projects under preparation still to be implemented.
- (d) Projects cancelled, and allocated funds reverted to PGTF.
- (e) Projects under query.

288. Completed and cancelled projects could be considered inactive, and their main features are included as a reference in Annex II.

A. Projects under implementation

289. Fifty-five (55) approved projects were being implemented as of the date of the forty-first meeting of the Committee of Experts. This total is the result of fifty-nine (59) projects that were under implementation during the period between the thirty-ninth and fortieth meetings of the Committee, plus eight (8) that commenced implementation during this period, minus eleven (11) that were completed and one (1) that was canceled. Detailed information on the status of these projects is provided below:

(--) *Support to the Committee of Experts of PGTF (Contribution Agreement)*

290. Submitter: Chair of the Group of 77 in New York
PGTF input: US\$111,236
Other inputs: Nil
Number: INT/00/K08
Duration: Four years
Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)
Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Chairman of the Group of 77 on 20 June 2001 and by the UNDP on 7 June 2001

291. This project is a continuation of project INT/90/K08, and allocated funds come from the re-allocation of the remaining balance of project INT/90/K08 approved in October 1990 (US\$101,236) plus a budget increase of US\$10,000 approved in September 1999, i.e., a total of US\$ 111,236. As such, it should not be counted as an additional new project in the follow-up of the implementation of approved projects.

292. The available funds were utilized to support the meetings of the PGTF Committee of Experts from 2001 to 2006, according to the details provided below:

PGTF Committee of Experts Meeting	Amount (US\$)	Date request for funds	Date funds received	Date submission financial report
16 th (2001)	20,480	22-Jun-2001	29-Jun-2001	28-Dec-2001
17 th (2002)	20,480	10-May-2002	16-Jul-2002	13-Dec-2002
First Special and 18 th (2003)	22,700	12-Dec-2002	11-Mar-2003	27-Dec-2003
19 th (2004)	22,700	6-April-2004	6-July-2004	22-Dec-2004
20 th (2005)	22,700	5-Jul-2005	15-Jul-2005	21-Dec-2005
21 st (2006)	2,176	15-Sept-2006	6-Dec-2006	6-Dec-2006
TOTAL	111,236			

293. Following full utilization of funds available, since 2007 the Annual Ministerial Meetings of the Group of 77 have made budget increases to the project to cover expenses related to the meetings of the Committee of Experts of PGTF, as well as expenses related to fund-raising and dissemination of PGTF activities. A detail of budget increases and funds utilization from 2006 to 2013 is provided in the table below:

Annual Ministerial Meeting approval	Budget increase (US\$)	Committee of Experts Meeting	Amount requested (US\$)	Date request for funds	Date funds received	Date submission financial report
30 th (2006)	30,000	22 nd (2007)	30,000	6-Dec-2006	24-April-2007	26-Dec-2007
31 st (2007)	40,000	23 rd (2008)	20,000	7-April-2008	9-Jul-2008	15-Dec-2008
32 nd (2008)	35,000	24 th (2009)	27,500	9-Jun-2009	1-Jul-2009	15-Dec-2009
33 rd (2009)	0	25 th (2010)	27,500	13-May-2010	May-2010	20-Dec-2010
34 th (2010)	30,000	26 th (2011)	25,000	18-April-2011	11-May-2011	20-Dec-2011
35 th (2011)	22,000	27 th (2012)	22,000	3-May-2012	16-May-2012	8-Nov-2012
36 th (2012)	20,000	28 th (2013)	20,000	20-May-2013	16-Jul-2013	19-Dec-2013
37 th (2013)	20,000	29 th (2014)	20,000	3-Jul-2014	12-Dec-2014	15-June-2015
TOTAL	197,000		192,000			

294. As indicated in the section regarding budget increase for project INT/00/K08, this instrument was replaced in 2014 by a one-year contribution agreement and in 2015 by a multi-year contribution agreement (2015-2020). During the Covid-19 pandemic years (2020-2022) no expenditures were incurred, and following expiration of the 2015-2020 agreement, a new multi-year contribution agreement (2023-2028) was signed in 2023. Detailed information on budget increases, advances received, and actual expenditures is shown in the table below:

Annual Ministerial Meeting approval	Budget increase (US\$)	Budget increase including previous year carryover (US\$)	Committee of Experts Meeting	Advance requested (US\$)	Date request for funds	Date funds received	Actual expenditure (US\$)	Date submission financial report
38 th (2014)	25,000	25,000	30 th (2015)	18,000	30-Jul-2015	6-Oct-2015	23,404 (a)	23-Dec-2015
39 th (2015)	25,000	26,596 (a)	31 st (2016)	20,000	24-Jun-2016	1-Jul-2016	18,256 (b)	23-Mar-2017
40 th (2016)	30,000	38,340 (b)	32 nd (2017)	15,000	9-May-2017	15-May-2017	23,048 (c)	18-Apr-2018
41 st (2017)	20,000	35,292 (c)	33 rd (2018)	16,000	18-Apr-2018	26-Apr-2018	19,598 (d)	12-Jun-2019
42 nd (2018)	25,000	40,694 (d)	34 th (2019)	15,000	21-Jun-2019	11-Jul-2019	22,308 (e)	28-Jun-2020
43 rd (2019)	20,000	38,386 (e)	35 th (2020)	0	----	----	0	13-Apr-2021
44 th (2020)	15,000	53,386 (f)	36 th (2021)	0	----	----	0	31-May-2022
45 th (2021)	0	53,386	37 th (2022)	0	----	----	0	28-Feb-2023
46 th (2022)	10,000	63,386	38 th (2023)	20,000	16-Jun-2023	7-July-2023	28,376	30-Jan-2024
47 th (2023)	20,000	55,010	39 th (2024)	0	---	----	0	30-Jun-2025
48 th (2024)	0	55,010	40 th (2025)	0	---	----	0	27-Feb-2026
49 th (2025)	0	55,010	41 st (2026)	0	---	----	0	
TOTAL	190,000			104,000			134,990	

(a) US\$ 1,596 unspent balance added to budget increase approved for 2016

(b) US\$ 8,340 unspent balance added to budget increase approved for 2017

- (c) US\$ 15,292 unspent balance added to budget increase approved for 2018
- (d) US\$ 15,694 unspent balance added to budget increase approved for 2019
- (e) US\$ 2,692 unspent balance added to budget increase approved for 2020
- (f) US\$ 15,000 unspent balance added to budget increase approved for 2021

(1) ***Use of distilled slops for biodiesel production by oil-bearing yeasts (Yeasts Biodiesel)***

295. Submitter: Center for Research and Development in Industrial Biotechnology, under the National Institute for Industrial Technology (INTI), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba, and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 34,000

Other inputs: US\$ 86,310

Number: INT/11/K06

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 34th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2010)

Date of signature of relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on 15 September 2011 and by the UNDP on 19 September 2011

296. On 22 March 2011, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 30,600 (90% of allocated resources). This contribution should be disbursed in one single tranche.

297. On 19 July 2013, the sub-contractor informed that progress of implementation was 60 % and estimated completion date was mid-June 2014. On 7 July 2015, UNOSSC requested an update of the status of the project. On 30 June 2016, the country office informed that the sub-contractor submitted a progress report in January 2016. The country office reported that the management of the implementing partner was changed, which led to a delay in completing the project. The final and financial reports are pending as the country office is coordinating with the new management. As of 6 July 2026, the final reports are still awaited.

(2) ***Analytical evaluation of the effects of environmental factors on wine quality***

298. Submitter: Institute of Agricultural Biology of the Cuyo National University, based in Mendoza, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 86,500

Number: INT/15/K09

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina and the UNDP (no dates on the signed document). The implementing institution signed the project document on 1 March 2016.

299. On 25 June 2015, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 31,500 (90% of allocated resources). This contribution should be disbursed in one single tranche. On 30 June 2016, the country office informed that implementation of the project was launched in May 2016. On 15 July 2017, the sub-contractor submitted a progress report informing that the estimated completion date of the project was end-June 2018.

300. On 20 July 2018, the subcontractor reported that the final meeting would take place in September 2018 and that the final report would be submitted in October 2018.

301. On 19 July 2019, the subcontractor reported that a multi-analytical platform for wine characterization was developed in collaboration with research groups. Young scientists were trained and many meetings and workshops with producers were held. The expected date for submission of the final reports was October 2019. On 3 August 2020, the sub-contractor reported that project activities were completed by end-July 2020, that results achieved were satisfactory with respect to the proposed goals, and that final report would be submitted by end-September 2020. As of 6 July 2026, no further information has been received on the progress of implementation of the project.

(3) ***SME development: contribution to the establishment of a support platform for information on the activity of the SMEs in Latin America. Stage I: Argentina, Paraguay, and Uruguay***

302. Submitter: Economics and Business School, National University of San Martin (UNSAM), based in San Martin, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 38,000
Number: INT/18/K12
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on 16 August 2018 and by the UNDP on 6 August 2018

303. On 6 October 2017, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 5 March 2018, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 19,800 (90% of allocated resources).

304. On 19 July 2019, the sub-contractor reported that the project is at its final stage. Two seminars/workshops were held in October 2018 and June 2019. The estimated completion date of the project was December 2019.

305. On 19 July 2022, the sub-contractor reported that the country sheets have been completed, which include the aggregated situation of each country, presence of SMEs, and public policies towards this sector. The base structure of the platform was finalized and uploaded, and progress was made on the interface, technologies to be used and the static part of the webpage. Final substantive and financial reports would be submitted by end-July 2022. As of 6 July 2026, the final reports are still awaited.

(4) ***International training course on sustainable community health development through community health volunteers: Monitoring, evaluation, and supervision***

306. Submitter: Chiang Mai University, Faculty of Nursing, based in Chiang Mai, Thailand
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 10 countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Pakistan and Thailand)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 65,000

Number: INT/19/K01

Duration: Three (3) weeks

Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Thailand on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

307. On 15 October 2018, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 11 March 2019, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Thailand the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 28,800 (90% of allocated resources).

308. On 19 July 2019, the subcontractor reported that allocated resources were disbursed in June 2019 and that project implementation was underway. On 14 July 2022, UNOSSC reported that all activities were completed and that the project was financially closed, but the final substantive and financial reports are still awaited. As of 6 July 2026, no further information has been received regarding the reports.

(5) ***Mujer[es]: Social women entrepreneurs***

309. Submitter: National University of Mar del Plata, based in Mar del Plata, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Nicaragua, Paraguay, and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 39,000

Number: INT/19/K09

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on 21 August 2019 and by the UNDP on (no date on the signed document)

310. On 15 October 2018, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 17 January 2019, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 27,000 (90% of allocated resources).

311. On 21 July 2021, the sub-contractor informed that activities already carried out included review of the theoretical and empirical definitions of competences for university women social entrepreneurs through analyses of more 200 scientific articles and interviews with more than 30 projects related to entrepreneurial development in the six participating countries; training of more than 200 female university actors through webinars, workshops, panels, and international courses; planning and coordination of more than 20 virtual webinars, workshops and panels; development of three international training courses for undergraduate and graduate students; development of videos for the International Women's Day 2021; and completion of four undergraduate research papers and supervision of three doctoral theses. Estimated completion date of the project is end-October 2021, and submission of final reports is planned for end-November 2021.

312. On 19 July 2022, the subcontractor informed that the estimated completion date of the project would be end-December 2022 and that the final substantive and financial reports would be submitted by the same date. As of 6 July 2026, the final reports are still awaited.

(6) ***Development of an international absolute pressure proficiency test to improve the capabilities of the institutes of metrology in the region***

313. Submitter: The National Quality Institute (INACAL), under the Ministry of Production, based in Lima, Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Colombia and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 20,000
Other inputs: US\$ 24,000
Number: INT/20/K02
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Peru on 16 November 2020 and by the UNDP on 26 November 2020

314. On 23 October 2019, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 10 April 2020, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Peru the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 18,000 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, no further information has been received on the progress of implementation of the project.

(7) ***International training demand-oriented strategy formulation for forest sustainable development of Argentina, Brazil, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo***

315. Submitter: China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment-related
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Argentina, Brazil, China, Democratic Republic of Congo, and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 28,000
Other inputs: US\$ 64,000
Number: INT/20/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of China on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

316. On 23 October 2019, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 28 December 2020, UNOSSC sent to the country office in China the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 25,200 (90% of allocated resources).

317. On 21 July 2021, the sub-contractor reported that the project was scheduled to be completed by January 2022. However, due to the serious epidemic situations in Argentina, Brazil, Democratic Republic of Congo, and Uganda, it has been difficult to implement the project as planned. The sub-contractor also informed that disbursement of 90% of allocated resources was still pending and requested a one-year extension of the project up to end January 2023. The Committee had no objection to this request.

318. On 19 July 2022, the sub-contractor reported that the estimated completion date of project activities was end-December 2023 and that the final substantive and financial reports would be submitted by the same date. On 15 July 2024, the sub-contractor reported that collection of data on capacities and training needs on international forestry had continued through the national focal points, and the training needs of the participating countries had been identified. Online training and seminars were carried out, directly benefiting 62 institutions and 190 trainees, in addition to 1,750 indirect beneficiaries. The revised estimated completion date of the project is estimated at end-December 2025.

319. On 1 July 2025, the sub-contractor reported that the estimated completion date of the project was end December 2026 and that the final substantive and financial report would be submitted by this date.

(8) ***Art and transformation of materials: clay and traditional pottery techniques in the Central Andes and the Himalayas***

320. Submitter: Faculty of Arts and Design of the National University of Cuyo, based in Mendoza, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Chile, and Nepal)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/20/K06
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

321. On 23 October 2019, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 3 April 2020, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 22,500 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(9) ***Comprehensive and cooperative approach of the Lononism (poisoning by accidental contact with Lononia caterpillars) in South America: design of a multicomponent strategy for guiding prevention activities and availability of antivenom***

322. Submitter: National Council for Scientific and Technical Research (*Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas - CONICET*), based in Puerto Iguazú, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Colombia)
PGTF input: US\$ 20,000
Other inputs: US\$ 77,000
Number: INT/20/K07
Duration: Three (3) years
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

323. On 23 October 2019, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of

funds from PGTF. On 6 April 2020, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 18,000 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(10) ***Technical cooperation for the development of new treatment options for neglected diseases caused by cestode parasites***

324. Submitter: Research Institute on Microbiology and Medical Parasitology – *Instituto de Investigaciones en Microbiología y Parasitología Médica -IMPAM*) of the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area:

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 20,000

Other inputs: US\$ 96,074

Number: INT/20/K08

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

325. On 23 October 2019, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 3 April 2020, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 18,000 (90% of allocated resources).

326. On 1 July 2025, the subcontractor reported that several project activities have been carried out, including cloning and sequencing of the Sirtuin 2 Protein, which play a role in parasite development; production, purification and solubility assessment of recombinant Sirtuin 2 enzymes; development of activity assays, including a commercial kit and an in-house one; evaluation of enzyme inhibition by various compounds; preliminary assessment of *cestocidal* activity of selected compounds; and publication on the utilization of sirtuins as pharmacological targets for zoonic neglected diseases. The estimated completion date of project activities is at the end of 2026, and the final projects would be submitted by this date.

(11) ***Training program in the study of genomic variability of hepato-carcinoma and its impact in the diagnosis and treatment: state of affairs in Latin America***

327. Submitter: Liver Unit of the Rosario Private Hospital, Gamma Group, based in Rosario, Santa Fe province, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Health

Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Ecuador, Guatemala, Paraguay, and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Number: INT/20/K10

Duration: Ten (10) months

Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

328. On 23 October 2019, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 3 April 2020, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 21,600 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(12) ***International congress « Biodiversity and sustainable development »***

329. Submitter: University of Abomey-Calavi, based in Abomey-Calavi, Benin
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment-related
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries directly (Benin, Cameroon, Madagascar, Rwanda, and Viet Nam) and seventeen (17) other developing countries members of the program SEP2D (*Sud Experts Plantes Développement Durable*) as collective beneficiaries
PGTF input: US\$ 28,000
Other inputs: US\$ 89,883
Number: INT/20/K13
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Benin on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

330. On 23 October 2019, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 26 February 2020, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Benin the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 25,200 (90% of allocated resources).

331. On 2 April 2020, the sub-contractor informed that, due to the COVID-19 crisis, the international congress had to be postponed and requested an extension of the project until April 2021, under the assumption that the congress could be held in the last quarter of 2020. The request was accepted by PGTF. On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(13) ***International youth leadership training for promotion of South-South cooperation – 3rd study session and training***

332. Submitter: Caribbean Youth Environment Network (CYEN), based in Bridgetown, Barbados
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 15 countries (Argentina, Barbados, Cameroon, Chile, Ghana, Indonesia, Liberia, Mauritius, Mozambique, Nigeria, Palestine, Philippines, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 139,562
Number: INT/21/K01
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Barbados and by the UNDP on 27 January 2023

333. On 2 December 2020, , the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 19 April 2023, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Barbados the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 22,500 (90% of allocated resources).

334. On 7 December 2023, the subcontractor requested a no-cost 12-month extension of the project to provide sufficient time to complete implementation of the project. The request was accepted by the Committee.

335. On 10 July 2025, the subcontractor submitted a draft substantive report that is being reviewed by the Committee. The draft financial report is expected to be submitted shortly. Detailed information on the outcome of the project will be included in the report of the Committee at its next session.

(14) ***Searching for novel vaccination strategies against cystic echinococcosis using parasite-derived extracellular vesicles***

336. Submitter: Immunology Area, Department of Biosciences, School of Chemistry of the University of the Republic, based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 100,000
Number: INT/21/K02
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Uruguay on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

337. On 2 December 2020, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 21 January 2021, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Uruguay the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 22,500 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(15) ***International training course on adapting to climate change: Facing the consequences***

338. Submitter: Faculty of Environment and Resources Studies of the Mahidol University, based in Nakhon Pathom, Thailand
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment-related
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 65,000
Number: INT/21/K03
Duration: Three (3) weeks
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Thailand on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

339. On 2 December 2020, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 21 February 2022, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Thailand the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 21,600 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, no further information on the progress of implementation of the project has been received.

(16) ***Covid-19 and the emergency faced by incoming and outgoing exchange students in Latin America and Caribbean universities: Analysis of the regional capacity of coaching and support in the framework of globalization and internationalization of higher education***

340. Submitter: National Mar del Plata University, based in Mar del Plata, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Honduras, Paraguay and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 23,000
Number: INT/21/K08
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

341. On 2 December 2020, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 3 March 2021, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 20,700 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(17) ***Exchange and generation of actions aimed at improving and strengthening the pig farming subsector in regions of Argentina, Colombia and Ecuador***

342. Submitter: La Cocha Municipality, Tucuman province, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Colombia and Ecuador)
PGTF input: US\$ 21,000
Other inputs: US\$ 27,000
Number: INT/21/K10
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

343. On 2 December 2020, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 1 March 2021, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 18,900 (90% of allocated resources). On 30 June 2023, the subcontractor reported that project activities were completed by

end-May 2023 and that the final reports would be submitted by end-July 2023. As of 6 July 2026, the reports are still awaited.

(18) ***Cooperation mechanism for the socio-economic inclusion of migrants in host societies in Latin America and the Caribbean***

344. Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 26-member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$ 23,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Number: INT/21/K12

Duration: Ten (10) months

Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Permanent Secretary of SELA in December 2020 and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

345. On 2 December 2020, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 25 January 2021, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Venezuela the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 20,700 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(19) ***Strengthening the implementation of the management plan of the South American locust to reduce the economic, social, and environmental impacts caused by the plague in Argentina, Bolivia and Paraguay***

346. Submitter: Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), based in San Jose, Costa Rica

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Bolivia and Paraguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 22,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,652

Number: INT/21/K17

Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by IICA on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

347. On 2 December 2020, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 21 January 2021, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Costa Rica the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 19,800 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this

project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(20) ***A proposal to enhance the diagnostic capacities, control, biosafety, and biosecurity of anthrax with emphasis on pathology and epidemiology in Pakistan, Afghanistan, Yemen, Algeria and Jordan***

348. Submitter: Faculty of Science of the Yarmouk University, based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Afghanistan, Algeria, Jordan, Pakistan, and Yemen)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/22/K06
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Jordan on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

349. On 20 December 2021, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 4 January 2022, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Jordan the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 31,500 (90% of allocated resources).

350. On 30 June 2023, the subcontractor reported that project activities were underway and that the estimated completion date of project activities was end-November 2023. Final reports would be submitted by end-February 2024. On 15 July 2024, the sub-contractor reported that a training workshop is being organized, to take place in the last week of August 2024. In addition to the scientists and researchers from the participating countries, a great interest in the project subject has been expressed by the researchers of international organizations that have registered to attend the workshop, either in person or online. The estimated completion date of the project is end-December 2024, when the final report would be submitted.

351. On 1 July 2025, the subcontractor reported that project activities have been completed and that the final reports would be submitted by mid-September 2025. As of 6 July 2026, the reports are still awaited.

(21) ***Modernization of the technological platform of the SIDALC (Alliance for Agricultural information Services) Alliance to strengthen the processes of capture and visualization of documentary production generated by agricultural institutions in Latin America and the Caribbean***

352. Submitter: Orton Commemorative Library (IICA/CATIE), based in Turrialba, Costa Rica
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico, and Nicaragua)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 36,500
Number: INT/22/K10
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Costa Rica (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

353. On 20 December 2021, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 31 May 2022, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Costa Rica the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 29,700 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(22) ***Homologation of the evaluation of permitted inputs in agricultural, livestock, aquaculture, and organic processing production for CIAO (Interamerican Commission of Organic Agriculture) countries***

354. Submitter: Interamerican Commission of Organic Agriculture (CIAO), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area:
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Bolivia, Brazil, Ecuador, and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 27,000
Other inputs: US\$ 29,000
Number: INT/22/K11
Duration: Ten (10) months
Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Interamerican Commission on Organic Agriculture (CIAO) on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

355. On 20 December 2021, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 23 March 2022, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 24,300 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(23) ***Special afforestation irrigated with effluents for various purposes***

356. Submitter: Formosa University, based in Formosa city, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 309,332
Number: INT/23/K01
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

357. On 11 November 2022, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 12 April 2023, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources).

358. On 1 July 2025, the subcontractor reported that project activities already carried out included development of a conceptual and methodological framework; a detailed study and economic assessment of forest species proposed for planting; studies of the populations, sectors and organizations affected by effluent forestation measures and examination of pollution issues and other negative impacts; and selection of case studies for in-depth analysis. The estimation completion date of the project is end-August 2026, and the final reports would be submitted by end-September 2026.

(24) ***Cross-border technological exchange of agroecological inputs***

359. Submitter: Salvadorian National Executive Directorate of the Trifinio Plan, based in San Salvador, El Salvador
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/23/K02
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of El Salvador on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

360. On 11 November 2022, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 19 April 2023, UNOSSC sent to the country office in El Salvador the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, no further information has been received on the progress of implementation of the project.

(25) ***Increased preparedness and enhancing the diagnostic capacities, education, awareness, and control of Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever (CCHF) in humans and cattle, sheep, and goats with emphasis on pathology and epidemiology in Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt, Yemen, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkey, and Jordan***

361. Submitter: Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Pakistan, Tunisia, Turkey, and Yemen)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 32,000
Number: INT/23/K03
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Jordan on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

362. On 11 November 2022, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 1 May 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Jordan the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 28,800 (90% of allocated

resources). As of 6 July 2026, no further information has been received on the progress of implementation of the project.

(26) ***Processing of fruits and horticulture crops for family farming strengthening in Latin America and the Caribbean***

363. Submitter: Agricultural Sciences Faculty, Santa Rosa Misiones Branch, of the National University of Asuncion, based in Santa Rosa de Lima, Paraguay, and the Multidisciplinary Center for Technological Research (CEMIT-DGICT-UNA), based in San Lorenzo, Paraguay

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, and Paraguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 50,000

Number: INT/23/K04

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Paraguay on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

364. On 11 November 2022, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursements of funds from PGTF. On 19 April 2023, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Paraguay the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 27,000 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, no further information has been received on the progress of implementation of the project.

(27) ***Research and development of a new vacuum coated solar cooker: technical training and promotion in selected developing countries***

365. Submitter: Gansu Natural Energy Research Institute (GNERI), based in Lanzhou, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Malaysia, Nepal, and Pakistan)

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 57,000

Number: INT/23/K10

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of China on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

366. On 11 November 2022, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 19 April 2023, UNOSSC sent to the country office in China the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 27,000 (90% of allocated resources).

367. On 30 June 2023, the subcontractor reported that preliminary research had been conducted and training in Pakistan is being organized. On 15 July 2024, the subcontractor reported that it had completed research to achieve a deeper understanding of the actual resources used for domestic cooking and the prospective utilization of solar resources in rural areas in the three participating countries. The conclusions of

this research were the basis for the design and production of 100 solar cookers that were modified according to the needs of specific regions.

368. On 1 July 2025, the subcontractor reported that project activities carried out included field visits, seminars, and technical training in the participating countries, distribution of solar cookers to rural households and schools, and signing of a memorandum of cooperation for future collaboration. The estimated completion date of project activities is mid-October 2025, and the final reports would be submitted by this date. As of 6 July 2026, the reports are still awaited.

(28) ***Commercial schemes and mechanisms for the consolidation of community enterprises and social economy enterprises of rural and indigenous women***

369. Submitter: Interamerican Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), based in San Jose, Costa Rica
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Guatemala, Mexico and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 37,900
Number: INT/23/K11
Duration: One (1)
Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by IICA on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

370. On 11 November 2022, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 6 February 2026, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Costa Rica the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources).

(29) ***Actions for consolidating management and conservation strategies of forestry genetic resources in three countries of the El Plata basin***

371. Submitter: Formosa University, based in Formosa city, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment-related
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 59,367 (estimated)
Number: INT/24/K03
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

372. On 12 December 2023, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 25 June 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 21,600 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

- (30) ***A proposal in increasing innovative awareness and educational approaches of climate change, as a contributing force to food security, and improving the livelihood of vulnerable communities in Pakistan, Afghanistan, Yemen, Algeria and Jordan***

373. Submitter: Association for Innovation, Production and Action (AIPA), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment-related
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Afghanistan, Algeria, Jordan, Pakistan, and Yemen)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 30,000
Number: INT/24/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Jordan on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

374. On 12 December 2023, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 25 June 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Jordan the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 27,000 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, there is no further information on the status of implementation of the project.

- (31) ***Genome-enabled precision diagnostics of the Algarrobo – Carob tree (*Neltuna pallida*) decline in the equatorial forests of South America***

375. Submitter: National Mayor University of San Marcos (UNMSM), based in Lima, Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment-related
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Chile, Peru, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 54,578
Number: INT/24/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Peru on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

376. On 12 December 2023, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 08 March 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Peru the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 22,500 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, there is no further information on the status of implementation of the project.

- (32) ***Management, social practice and improved cultivation of medicinal plants against Covid-19 in Thailand, Indonesia and Tanzania***

377. Submitter: Kasetsart University, based in Bangkok, Thailand
Subcontractor:
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Indonesia, Thailand, and United Republic of Tanzania)
PGTF input: US\$ 28,000
Other inputs: US\$ 28,000

Number: INT/24/K08

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Thailand on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

378. On 12 December 2023, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 16 April 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Thailand the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 25,200 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

- (33) ***Socio-economic empowerment of the rural women network in the Andean and Central regions of the Americas through processes of exchange of experiences and capacity building. Exchange and establishment of a network of rural women in the Andean and Central regions of the Americas for their socio-economic development***

379. Submitter: Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), based in San Jose, Costa Rica

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Costa Rica, and Guatemala)

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 37,900

Number: INT/24/K09

Duration: Nine (9) months

Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

380. On 12 December 2023, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 5 March 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Costa Rica the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 27,000 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

- (34) ***Evaluation of technologies for the extraction of natural products with organic solvents to be utilized in the pharmaceutical, food and cosmetics industries***

381. Submitter: The Service Group to Sugarcane and its by-Products Industry (GAIAD), based in Camaguey, Cuba

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Cuba, and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 50,000

Number: INT/24/K10

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Cuba on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

382. On 12 December 2023, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 5 March 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Cuba the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 22,500 (90% of allocated resources).

383. On 1 July 2025, the subcontractor reported that project activities already carried out included identification of solvents suitable for extraction and purification of policosanol, and the solubility of policosanol in three of the selected solvents was studied in detail; mathematical simulations to evaluate the impact of these solvents on the refining process of raw materials for policosanol production; and support of a doctoral thesis on solvent extraction and extraction efficiency. The estimated completion date of project activities is mid-December 2025, and the final reports would be submitted in early 2026. As of 6 July 2026, the reports are still awaited.

(35) ***Construction and validation of a methodology for digital transformation of localities in developing countries to promote sustainable development***

384. Submitter: University of the Armed Forces (ESPE), based in Sangolqui, Ecuador

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba, and Ecuador)

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 70,452

Number: INT/24/K12

Duration: Eighteen (18) months

Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Ecuador on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

385. On 12 December 2023, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 6 March 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Ecuador the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 21,600 (90% of allocated resources).

386. On 1 July 2025, the subcontractor reported that planning activities have been initiated, and field implementation and engagement with the beneficiaries are scheduled to commence following the initial disbursement, which is still pending. The estimated completion date of project activities is end-November 2026, and the final reports would be submitted by early 2027.

(36) ***Strengthening the regulatory capacities of the national regulatory authorities of Honduras, Guatemala, Costa Rica and El Salvador***

387. Submitter: National Directorate of Medicines of El Salvador, based in La Libertad, El Salvador

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Health

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras)

PGTF input: US\$ 21,890

Other inputs: US\$ 22,020

Number: INT/24/K13

Duration: One (1) month

Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of El Salvador on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

388. On 12 December 2023, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 8 April 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in El Salvador the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 19,800 (90% of allocated resources).

389. On 1 July 2025, the subcontractor reported that a one-week training workshop for 40 officials of the participating regulatory authorities was successfully completed, and that the final report on the workshop outcome and lessons learned is under preparation., estimated to be submitted by end-August 2025. As of 6 July 2026, the final report is still awaited.

(37) ***Rescue of indigenous seeds and agricultural biodiversity as a strategy to mitigate the impact of climate change***

390. Submitter: The Social Development Management Association (GEDES), based in Villarica, Paraguay

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Environment-related

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Cuba, Panama, Paraguay, and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Number: INT/24/K14

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Paraguay on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

391. On 12 December 2023, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 19 March 2024, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Paraguay the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the sub-contractor of US\$ 22,500 (90% of allocated resources).

392. On 1 July 2025, the subcontractor reported that project activities already carried out included organization of meetings to foster collaboration and knowledge exchange among stakeholders; collection and analysis of seed samples to assess their viability and potential for conservation; training sessions for small producers, focusing on practical techniques for seed conservation and recovery; and dissemination of results at national and international conferences. The estimated completion date of project activities is end-2025 and the final reports would be submitted at the end of the first quarter of 2026. As of 6 July 2026, the reports are still awaited.

(38) ***Agroecological production to strengthen family farming in the American Chaco***

393. Submitter: Columbia University of Paraguay (UCP), based in Asuncion, Paraguay

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Bolivia and Paraguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 29,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Number: INT/25/K01

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Paraguay on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

394. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 28 January 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Paraguay the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, there is no further information on the status of implementation of the project

(39) ***Climate resilient agriculture in the Global South: adaptation and mitigation strategies and human resource development***

395. Submitter: Center for Science & Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries (NAM S&T Center), based in New Delhi, India

Subcontractor: Environment-related

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Egypt, Iraq, Malaysia, Mauritius, Myanmar, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palestine, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Uganda, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$ 22,000

Other inputs: US\$ 68,000

Number: INT/25/K02

Duration: Thirty-six (36) months

Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the NAM S&T Center on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

396. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 17 March 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in India the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 19,800 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that the project could not be implemented at this time and that there were no prospects of implementing it in the foreseeable future. The Committee therefore recommended that the project be canceled and that allocated funds be reverted to PGTF.

(40) ***Exploring diversity and nutritional content of chickpeas and lentils varieties grown and consumed in Levant countries: implications of processing and cooking***

397. Submitter: University of Jordan, based in Amman, Jordan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Jordan, Lebanon and Syrian Arab Republic)

PGTF input: US\$ 29,000

Other inputs: US\$ 29,000

Number: INT/25/K03

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Jordan on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

398. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 28 January 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Jordan the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, there is no further information on the status of implementation of the project.

(41) ***Establishing a low-carbon technology capacity center for capacity building, knowledge dissemination and project execution in Africa***

399. Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Nigeria, Rwanda, and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 71,000
Number: INT/25/K05
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of China on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

400. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 28 January 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in China the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, there is no further information on the status of implementation of the project.

(42) ***Capacity building in pumped storage power technology for Southeast Asian countries***

401. Submitter: National Research Institute for Rural Electrification (NRIRE), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (China, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 38,140
Number: INT/25/K06
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of China on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

402. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 28 January 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in China the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources).

403. On 1 July 2025, the subcontractor reported that laying groundwork for the establishment of the low-carbon capacity center is underway. The estimated completion date of project activities is end-May 2025, and the final reports are expected to be submitted by end-August 2026.

- (43) ***Monitoring and prediction of dengue and other diseases produced by the vector *Aedes aegypti* in the subtropical confluence region between Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay through AI-supported technologies***

404. Submitter: National University of the Northeast, based in Corrientes city, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 25,000
Number: INT/25/K07
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

405. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 10 February 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 22,500 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, there is no further information on the status of implementation of the project.

- (44) ***Biocontrol of ochratoxigenic fungi in raisins promoting food security, safety and regional economies within a One Health approach***

406. Submitter: National San Juan University (UNSJ), based in San Juan, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 55,000
Number: INT/25/K08
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

407. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 25 March 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

- (45) ***Management of viral diseases affecting papaya through development of bio-inputs based on exogenic RNAs***

408. Submitter: Center of Agricultural Research (CIAP) of the Las Villas Central University “Marta Abreu”, based in Santa Clara, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/25/K09
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Cuba on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

409. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 17 March 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Cuba the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources). As of 6 July 2026, there is no further information on the status of implementation of the project.

(46) ***Sustainable development: applying Sufficiency Economy Philosophy with focus on the BCG (Bio-Circular-Green) model***

410. Submitter: Community Development Department, based in Bangkok, Thailand
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Bhutan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Myanmar, and Thailand)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 58,341
Number: INT/25/K10
Duration: Two (2) weeks
Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Thailand on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

411. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 25 March 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Thailand the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(47) ***Reuse of greywater for food production***

412. Submitter: Laboratory of Microbiology and Molecular Biology of the Badji Mokhtar University, based in Annaba, Algeria
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Algeria, Iraq and Jordan)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 33,000
Number: INT/25/K11
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Algeria on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

413. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 10 February 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Algeria the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 26,100 (90% of allocated resources). On 6 July 2026, UNOSSC reported that there have been no disbursements to this project and the Committee requested UNOSSC to follow-up on this matter with the country office and the beneficiaries.

(48) ***Progress and challenges for strengthening the circular economy through South-South and Triangular Cooperation mechanisms in Latin America and the Caribbean as a boost to sustainable development***

414. Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 23 member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Colombia, Chile, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 46,000
Number: INT/25/K12
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Permanent Secretary of SELA on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

415. On 5 December 2024, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 4 February 2025, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Venezuela the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 19,800 (90% of allocated resources). The subcontractor submitted a request for a joint implementation of projects INT/25/K12 and INT/26/K08 that are being considered by the Committee.

(49) ***Workshop for empowering communities through microfinance***

416. Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development (ICCD), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Finance
Participating/beneficiary countries: 15 countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Somalia, and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/26/K01
Duration: Two (2) days
Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the government of Pakistan on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on – (date being confirmed)

417. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of

funds from PGTF. On 11 February 2026, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Pakistan the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 31,500 (90% of allocated resources).

(50) ***Cooperative strategy to interrupt the reproduction of a crop pest snail and zoonotic vector***

418. Submitter: Institute of Biochemical Research of La Plata “Prof. Rodolfo r. Brenner” (INIBIOLP-CONICET), based in La Plata, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 105,000
Number: INT/26/K03
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on – (date being confirmed)

419. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 30 June 2026, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 31,500 (90% of allocated resources).

(51) ***Potential of the oomycete *Leptolegnia chapmanii* as a biological control agent for the mosquito *Aedes aegypti*, vector of dengue, yellow fever and other viruses***

420. Submitter: Center of Parasitological and Vector Studies (CEPAVE), based in La Plata, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Chile, Colombia, and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 60,000
Number: INT/26/K04
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Argentina on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

421. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 11 February 2026, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Argentina the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 31,500 (90% of allocated resources).

(52) ***Antimicrobial activity of silver nanoparticles for the phytosanitary protection of vegetative sugarcane seeds in Cuba***

422. Submitter: Cooperative Production Unit “El Encanto”, under the agro-industrial enterprise *América Libre*, based in Santiago de Cuba, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, India, and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 37,500 (estimated)

Number: INT/26/K05

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Cuba on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on – (date being confirmed)

423. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 7 July 2026, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Cuba the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 31,500 (90% of allocated resources).

(53) ***Development of special welding consumables for the repair of equipment used in the manufacture of construction materials***

424. Submitter: Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG), based in Belo Horizonte, Brazil

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Cuba and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 32,000

Number: INT/26/K07

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)26/K0

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Brazil on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on – (date being confirmed)

425. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 5 February 2026, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Brazil the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 28,800 (90% of allocated resources).

(54) ***Airborne environmental genomics: a new approach to monitoring amazonian forests***

426. Submitter: San Marcos National Mayor University (UNMSM), based in Lima, Peru

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Environment-related

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Brazil, Colombia, Guyana, and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 36,000

Number: INT/26/K10

Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Peru on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on – (date being confirmed)

427. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 23 February 2026, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Peru the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 31,500 (90% of allocated resources).

(55) ***Monitoring and analysis of the risk of contamination with foreign genes in native corn in Latin America and the Caribbean***

428. Submitter: Multidisciplinary Center of Technological Research (CEMIT) of the National University of Paraguay, based in San Lorenzo, Paraguay
Subcontractor: BIOSMINA in association with CEMIT
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Costa Rica, Cuba and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000 (estimated)
Number: INT/26/K11
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Paraguay on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on – (date being confirmed)

429. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF. On 5 June 2026, UNOSSC sent to the country office in Paraguay the project document for signature as well as an authorization for disbursement to the subcontractor of US\$ 31,500 (90% of allocated resources).

B. **Projects under preparation still to be implemented**

430. There were four (4) projects still under preparation at the fortieth meeting of the Committee, which were approved in September 2025 by the 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77.

(1) ***Empowering teacher educators in Southeast Asia through Computing Integrated STEM Education and Machine Learning for sustainable innovation***

431. Submitter: Faculty of Education of the Kasetsart University, based in Bangkok, Thailand
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Lao People's Democratic Republic, Philippines, Thailand, and Viet Nam) and Association of Southeast Asian Teacher Education Network (AsTEN)
PGTF input: US\$ 6,000
Other inputs: US\$ 5,946 (estimated)
Number: INT/26/K02
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Thailand on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on (date being confirmed)

432. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF.

(2) ***Options for improving the energy and environmental performance of the sugar-alcohol industry through hybrid schemes by integrating renewable sources and carbon fixation and capture***

433. Submitter: Cuban Research Institute of Sugarcane by-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: Agro-industrial enterprise “Héctor Molina Riaño” (EAAHMR), based in San Nicolas de Bari, Mayabeque province, Cuba
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Cuba)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000 (estimated)
Number: INT/26/K06
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Cuba on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on – (date being confirmed)

434. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF.

(3) ***Innovation and sectoral cooperation for sustainable development: boosting financial inclusion, sustainable agriculture and energy transition in Latin America and the Caribbean through South-South and Triangular Cooperation mechanisms***

435. Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 23 member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Colombia, Chile, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 46,000 (estimated)
Number: INT/26/K08
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)
Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Permanent Secretariat of SELA on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on – (date being confirmed)

436. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF.

(4) ***Development of technical capabilities in force and torque metrology***

437. Submitter: Technical Laboratory of Uruguay (LATU), based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 25,000 (estimated)

Number: INT/26/K09

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 49th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2025)

Date of signature of the relevant documents: The project document was signed by the Government of Uruguay on (date being confirmed) and by the UNDP on – (date being confirmed)

438. On 21 November 2025, the Chair of the Group of 77 informed the submitting entity of the approval of the project and provided instructions on the procedures that should be followed to secure the disbursement of funds from PGTF.

C. **Projects under query**

439. The Committee noted with satisfaction that there were no projects under query as of 7 July 2026.

V. **OTHER MATTERS**

440. The Committee agreed that the deadline for the submission of project proposals by Member States for consideration at its next regular session would be 30 April 2027, in accordance with the guidelines for utilization of PGTF. It is understood that the date of submission of proposals is the date when the Executive Secretariat of the Group of 77 officially receives them.

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INACTIVE PROJECTS**A. PROJECTS COMPLETED**

Eleven (11) projects were completed since the previous meeting of the Committee of Experts, bringing the total of completed projects to three-hundred twenty-three (323). The main features of these projects are provided below:

(1) *Group of 77 Information Bulletin*

Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York

Subcontractor: Inter Press Service (IPS)

Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$109,520

Other inputs: US\$51,120

Number: INT/88/K01

Duration: Four (4) years

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987) and IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989) for one-year extension

Completion: 31 December 1991

(2) *Feasibility study on development of developing countries' consultancy and engineering capacities*

Submitter: International Centre for Public Enterprises in Developing Countries (ICPE) and International Association of State Trading Organizations of Developing Countries (ASTRO), based in former Yugoslavia (Slovenia)

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$70,000

Other inputs: Nil.

Number: INT/88/K03

Duration: Six (6) months

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987)

Completion: Feasibility report circulated to Member States on 2 November 1989.

(3) *Action Committee of G-77 for Cooperation in Consultancy, Construction and Engineering among Developing Countries*

Submitter: Action Committee for Cooperation in Consultancy, Construction and Engineering (Havana, Cuba)

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Angola, Brazil, Cuba, Ethiopia, Grenada, Guinea, Jamaica, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Sao Tome and Principe, and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$38,500

Other inputs: US\$38,500

Number: INT/88/K04

Duration: Six (6) months

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987)

Completion: Final Report circulated to Member States on 16 June 1993.

(4) *Feasibility study on information system on technologies and projects (ISTP)*

Submitter: Centre for International Cooperation and Development (CICD) of former Yugoslavia (Slovenia)

Subcontractor: Same as above

- Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77
PGTF input: US\$45,450
Other inputs: US\$20,000
Number: INT/89/K01
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28-30 September 1988)
Completion: Feasibility report circulated to Member States on 24 October 1990.
- (5) ***Technical Cooperation among Member States of SELA in the Field of Artificial insemination and embryo transplant***
- Submitter: Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Brazil, Chile, Cuba, Ecuador, Guyana, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$83,700
Other inputs: US\$202,000
Number: INT/89/K03
Duration: Two years and four months
Approval: 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28-30 September 1988)
Completion: Final report submitted on 12 February 1993.
- (6) ***Cooperation among developing countries' consultancy and engineering design organizations for better access and position in international consultancy and engineering market***
- Submitter: International Center for Public Enterprises of Developing Countries (ICPE) and International Association of State Trading Organizations of Developing Countries (ASTRO), based in former Yugoslavia (Slovenia)
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77
PGTF input: US\$90,000
Other inputs: US\$9,000
Number: INT/89/K04
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 4 January 1996
- (7) ***Export promotion and cooperation in favor of less developed countries within the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)***
- Submitter: Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Ecuador and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$120,000
Other inputs: US\$107,971
Number: INT/89/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 7 April 1993
- (8) ***Establishment of a Maghreb Unit in the National Center for Information and Economic Documentation (CNIDE) of Algeria***
- Submitter: Government of Algeria
Subcontractor: CNIDE

- Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Algeria, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Morocco, and Tunisia)
PGTF input: US\$65,450
Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/89/K06
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 17 August 1993.
- (9) ***Feasibility study for establishing a raw materials research and development center information system***
- Submitter: Government of Nigeria
Subcontractor: Raw Materials Research and Development Council of Nigeria
Priority area: Raw materials
Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Nigeria, Senegal, Togo, and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$100,000
Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/89/K09
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)
Completion: Feasibility Report submitted on 18 June 1996.
- (10) ***Provision of consultancy services by CARICAD***
- Submitter: Caribbean Center for Development Administration (CARICAD) of Barbados
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$45,000
Other inputs: US\$200,000
Number: INT/89/K10
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 25 March 1994.
- (11) ***Regional programme for cooperation and coordination on plant germ plasm***
- Submitter: Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Uruguay, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$58,000
Other inputs: US\$309,200
Number: INT/89/K12
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 29 May 1998.
- (12) ***South-North Development Monitor (SUNS)***
- Submitter: South Commission, based in Geneva, Switzerland
Subcontractor: Third World Network (TWN), from Penang, Malaysia
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

- PGTF input: US\$120,000
Other inputs: US\$164,000
Number: INT/89/K13
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)
Completion: 31 January 1992.
- (13) ***Assistance to the Fifth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund***
- Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York
Subcontractor: Not required
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/89/K14
Duration: One (1) week
Approval: IFCC-VII (Kuala Lumpur, 31 July-5 August 1989)
Completion: 19 August 1993.
- (14) ***Integrated management of the associated resources to the mangrove areas in the Pacific coast of Central America***
- Submitter: National University of Costa Rica
Subcontractor: Foundation of Science, Art and Culture of the National University of Costa Rica (FUNA)
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Panama)
PGTF input: US\$84,800
Other inputs: US\$60,000
Number: INT/90/K01
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 9 December 1994.
- (15) ***Recovery, preservation and dissemination of printed historical documentation of the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries in the Americas, existing in signatory countries of the Andres Bello Convention***
- Submitter: Autonomous Institute of the National Library of Venezuela
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Panama, Peru, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$94,500
Other inputs: US\$154,188
Number: INT/90/K02
Duration: Three (3) years
Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 15 December 1993
- (16) ***In-depth review of the actions taken by the international community in favor of the particular needs and problems of land-locked developing countries and a basis for a new strategy to overcome these needs and problems in the future***
- Submitter: Center for the Study of International Relations and Development (CERID) of Bolivia
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 19 countries (Afghanistan, Bolivia, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Central African Republic, Chad, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Malawi, Mali, Nepal, Niger, Paraguay, Rwanda, Swaziland, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$95,000

Other inputs: US\$23,800
Number: INT/90/K03
Duration: Nine (9) months
Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 4 December 1995

- (17) ***Regional symposium on the economic and social impact of money derived from illicit drug trafficking in the development of Latin America and the Caribbean***

Submitter: Center for the Study of International Relations and Development (CERID) of Bolivia.
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Argentina, Bahamas, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$78,000
Other inputs: US\$103,000
Number: INT/90/K04
Duration: Five and a half months
Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 13 August 1991

- (18) ***Intensifying the utilization of operations research techniques in the management of agriculture development projects in ASEAN countries***

Submitter: Department of Agriculture of Malaysia
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 member countries of ASEAN (Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand)
PGTF input: US\$110,000
Other inputs: US\$191,000
Number: INT/90/K05
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 17 August 1993

- (19) ***Organic rice farming system***

Submitter: Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI)
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 member countries of ASEAN (Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand)
PGTF input: US\$85,000
Other inputs: US\$78,000
Number: INT/90/K06
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 16 September 1997

- (20) ***Technical, secretariat and other support to the Global System on Trade Preferences among developing countries (GSTP), and technical assistance to countries participating in the GSTP***

Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York.
Subcontractor: UNCTAD
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 44 countries (Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique,

Myanmar, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$350,000

Other inputs: Nil.

Number: INT/90/K07

Duration: Sixteen (16) months

Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

Completion: Final Report distributed to Member States on 16 June 1993

(21) ***Support to the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund***

Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York

Subcontractor: Not required

PGTF input: US\$224,800

Other inputs: Nil.

Number: INT/90/K08

Duration: Five (5) years

Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 3 October 1990)

Completion: The final budget revision was submitted on 3 October 2000. Unspent funds for US\$111,236 were re-allocated to successor project INT/00/K08.

(22) ***Establishment of the Regional Business and Trade Information Network for Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CCI) of Developing Countries Members of the Group of 77***

Submitter: Steering Committee of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CCI) of Developing Countries Members of the Group of 77

Subcontractors: Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Mines of Cameroon; Chamber of Commerce of Bogotá; and the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$150,000

Other inputs: US\$270,000

Number: INT/91/K01

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 15th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1991)

Completion: Final Reports submitted respectively by the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry on 29 May 1994, by the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Mines of Cameroon on 28 March 1994, and by the Bogotá Chamber of Commerce on 15 June 1994

(23) ***Economic Integration in the Southern Cone Common Market***

Submitter: Government of Argentina

Subcontractor: Centro de Investigaciones para la Transformación (CENIT)

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$88,000

Other inputs: Nil

Number: INT/92/K01

Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)

Completion: Final Report submitted on 6 April 1994

(24) ***Raul Prebisch: Completed Works, 1919-1948, Comparative Experiences of Monetary Policies of Developing Countries, Vols. III and IV***

Submitter: Raul Prebisch Foundation, based in Argentina

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Finance

- Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77
PGTF input: US\$60,700
Other inputs: US\$12,950
Number: INT/92/K02
Duration: Three (3) months
Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)
Completion: Complete sets consisting of four volumes distributed in 1994 to the Permanent Missions of the Group of 77 in New York.
- (25) ***Technical, Secretariat and Other Support to the Global System of Trade Preferences among Developing Countries (GSTP), and Technical Assistance to Countries Participating in the GSTP***
- Submitter: Group of 77 in Geneva
Subcontractor: UNCTAD
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 44 countries (Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$250,000
Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/92/K03
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 6 May 1994
- (26) ***The development and use of a computer simulation model for supply, demand and prices of agricultural commodities in ASEAN countries***
- Submitter: Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Indonesia
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 member countries of ASEAN (Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand)
PGTF input: US\$81,600
Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/92/K04
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 7 April 1994
- (27) ***African Agency for Biotechnology (Phase I)***
- Submitter: Government of Algeria
Subcontractor: Secretariat of State for Scientific Research of Algeria (SERSA)
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 16 countries (Algeria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Kenya, Mauritius, Morocco, Nigeria, Senegal, Tunisia, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$150,000
Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/92/K06
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 1 October 1992)
Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 25 July 2000
- (28) ***African Agency for Biotechnology (Phase II)***

Submitter: Government of Algeria
Subcontractor: Ministry of Universities and Scientific Research of Algeria (MDURSA)
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 16 countries (Algeria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Kenya, Mauritius, Morocco, Nigeria, Senegal, Tunisia, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$150,000
Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/93/K01
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)
Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 25 July 2000.

(29) ***ECDC/TCDC Information Support to Group of 77 Chapters (Journal of the Group of 77)***

Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York
Subcontractor: Inter Press Service (IPS)
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77
PGTF input: US\$51,120
Other inputs: US\$45,600
Number: INT/93/K02
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 1 October 1992) and IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 20 December 1995

(30) ***Information Support to the Group of 77 Chapters - South-North Development Monitor (SUNS)***

Submitter: Third World Network, based in Penang, Malaysia
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77
PGTF input: US\$59,881
Other inputs: US\$158,517
Number: INT/93/K03
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 10 December 1995

(31) ***Guidelines and tools for a common industrial policy for Mercosur***

Submitter: Government of Brazil
Subcontractor: Fundação Centro de Estudos do Comercio Exterior (FUNCEX) of Brazil
Priority area: Industrialization
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$120,000
Other inputs: US\$36,000
Number: INT/93/K05
Duration: Eight (8) months
Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 15 September 1997

(32) ***Feasibility study for a subregional center for agricultural machinery in the CEPGL subregion***

Submitter: Communauté Economique des Pays des Grands Lacs (CEPGL), based in Gisenyi, Rwanda
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Burundi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Rwanda)
PGTF input: US\$43,000

Other inputs: US\$15,200
Number: INT/93/K07
Duration: Eighty-one (81) days
Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)
Completion: The final budget revision was submitted on 11 March 1999.

(33) ***Program for the Development of Communications and Cooperation among Latin American and Caribbean Educators (AELAC)***

Submitter: Association of Educators of Latin America & the Caribbean (AELAC) through the Government of Cuba
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 11 countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$303,370
Number: INT/94/K01
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994)
Completion: Final report submitted on 30 September 1998

(34) ***Technical Assistance to the Members of the Group of 77 participating in the Second Round of Negotiations within the Global System of Trade Preferences among Developing Countries (GSTP) and Seeking Membership in the GSTP, as well as Related Technical, Secretariat and Other Support to the GSTP***

Submitter: Chairperson of the Group of 77 in Geneva
Subcontractor: UNCTAD
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 44 countries (Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$72,363
Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/94/K02
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 18 June 1997. Unspent balance of US\$3,229 reverted to the PGTF

(35) ***Establishment of TIN Management Center to Coordinate the Global Establishment of the Network with a Project Coordination Committee***

Submitter: The Steering Committee Chambers of Commerce and Industry of the Group of 77 (CCIs)
Subcontractor: Private Sector Development Programme, UNDP
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77
PGTF input: US\$60,000
Other inputs: US\$105,000
Number: INT/94/K03
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 6 August 1997.

(36) ***Training on the Use of a Computer Simulation Model for Food Security Analysis in Developing Countries of the NAM***

Submitter: Government of Indonesia
Subcontractor: Ministry of Agriculture of Indonesia
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Bangladesh, Gambia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Nigeria, Sudan, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US \$70,000
Other inputs: Nil.
Number: INT/94/K04
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994)
Completion: Final report submitted on 24 June 1997

(37) ***Employment and Income Generation in West and Central Africa***

Submitter: Sahel Defis through the Government of Benin.
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Mali, Senegal, and Togo)
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$67,000
Number: INT/94/K05
Duration: Two (2) years.
Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994).
Completion: Final Report submitted on 16 February 1998.

(38) ***Low-cost Housing Technology Programme***

Submitter: Government of India
Subcontractor: Center of Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Colombia, Ethiopia, Lebanon, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and United Republic of Tanzania)
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$34,000
Number: INT/94/K06
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1994)
Completion: February 2002. Final financial statement submitted on 30 September 2003

(39) ***Optimization of the process for obtaining crude PMSG for animal reproduction***

Submitter: Biological Pharmaceutical Laboratories (LABIOFAM) through the Government of Cuba
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Algeria, Argentina, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, and Nigeria)
PGTF input: US\$165,000
Other inputs: US\$432,194
Number: INT/95/K01
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 19th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 29 September 1995)
Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 11 March 1999.

(40) ***Productive internationalization in Mercosur: Foreign direct investment and regional transnational corporations***

Submitter: CPC Consultora Internacional Ltd. through the Government of Uruguay
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Industrialization

- Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$140,000
Other inputs: US\$42,200
Number: INT/95/K02
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 19th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 1995)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 23 December 1997
- (41) ***ECDC/TCDC Information Support to Group of 77 Chapters (Phase III) – Journal of the Group of 77***
- Submitter: Inter Press Service (IPS) Third World News Agency through the Government of Costa Rica as Chairman of the Group of 77 for 1996.
Sub-contractor: Same as above
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77
PGTF input: US\$75,120 (US\$51,120 + US\$24,000)
Other inputs: US\$45,600
Number: INT/95/K03
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 19th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 29 September 1995)
Completion: Final Report submitted on 16 July 2007
- (42) ***Entrepreneurial Strengthening of Industrial and Artisan Cooperatives in Central America***
- Submitter: International Cooperative Alliance, a non-governmental organization, through its American Regional Bureau based in San José, Costa Rica
Priority area: Industrialization
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua)
Subcontractor: Same as above
PGTF input: US\$65,000
Other inputs: US\$79,000
Number: INT/96/K01
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)
Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 28 August 2000.
- (43) ***Caribbean Regional Technical Support Programme to Promote the Equalization of Training and Employment Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities***
- Submitter: National Centre for Persons with Disabilities (NCPD) of Trinidad and Tobago, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Trinidad and Tobago
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$90,000
Other inputs: US\$90,000
Number: INT/96/K02
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)
Completion: Final report submitted on 8 December 2005
- (44) ***Training of Personnel in the Field of Standardization and Metrology for the Conformity Assessment among Developing Countries***
- Submitter: Committee for Standardization of Democratic People's Republic of Korea through its Ministry for Foreign Affairs.
Subcontractor: Same as above

- Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Pakistan, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$76,500
Other inputs: US\$160,000
Number: INT/96/K03
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)
Completion: The final report was submitted on 13 October 1998
- (45) ***Program for Cooperation in Training and Development of Technologies to Support Primary Health Care in African Countries with Portuguese Official Language***
- Submitter: Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (FIOCRUZ) through the Government of Brazil
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, Mozambique, and Sao Tome and Principe)
PGTF input: US\$59,300
Other inputs: US\$60,000
Number: INT/96/K04
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)
Completion: Financial report submitted on 29 August 2000. The project was closed in July 2008. Unspent balance of US\$ 2,965 reverted to PGTF
- (46) ***South-South Transfer of Experiences in Sustainable Agricultural Development***
- Submitter: Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) based in Guyana.
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77
PGTF input: US\$84,000
Other inputs: US\$93,000
Number: INT/96/K05
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)
Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 8 June 2001.
- (47) ***Rural Education and Agricultural Extension Facility for the Nomads of the Sahel and Sahara Regions***
- Submitter: Foundation for Social Peace of Niger, with endorsement of the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Algeria, Burkina Faso, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, and Niger)
PGTF input: US\$85,000
Other inputs: US\$659,340
Number: INT/96/K06
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 20th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 1996)
Completion: Project closed on 28 September 2010. (Para. 180 of 2010 PGTF Committee of Experts report)
- (48) ***A Study on the Impact of Enhancing Environmental Standards on International Trade of South-Asian Countries***
- Submitter: Research and Information System (RIS) for the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries in India.

Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka)
PGTF input: US\$24,850
Other inputs: US\$24,850
Number: INT/97/K01
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997)
Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 4 April 2003.

(49) ***Biological Control of Pests and Weeds for Sustainable Agriculture and Biodiversity***

Submitter: Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries, based in India.
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 11 countries (Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Colombia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, India, Malaysia, Pakistan, Peru, United Republic of Tanzania, and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$25,000
Number: INT/97/K02
Duration: Three (3) years
Approval: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997)
Completion: Final report submitted on 31 January 2002.

(50) ***Integrated Planning and New Technologies for Sustainable Development***

Submitter: Caribbean Council for Science and Technology, based in Trinidad and Tobago
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 13 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Cuba, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$37,560
Other inputs: US\$41,720
Number: INT/97/K03
Duration: Three (3) days
Approval: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997)
Completion: 21 September 2001

(51) ***Positioning of a Gender Programme in Cooperatives in the Andean Region***

Submitter: International Cooperative Alliance, Office of the Americas in Costa Rica
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$61,500
Other inputs: US\$85,000
Number: INT/97/K04
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 1997)
Completion: June 1999.

(52) ***Emergency control measures of the Moroccan locust and other insect pests***

Submitter: Iraqi General Body for Agricultural Research
Subcontractor: Not required

- Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Iraq, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, and Syrian Arab Republic)
PGTF input: US\$50,000
Other inputs: US\$380,000
Number: INT/98/K02
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: The project was closed in 2005
- (53) ***Training of rice breeding experts for the effective use of rice genetic resources in the developing countries***
- Submitter: Academy of Agricultural Science of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Guinea, Mali, and Nigeria)
PGTF input: US\$100,000
Other inputs: US\$146,500
Number: INT/98/K03
Duration: Thirteen (13) months
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: The final report was submitted on 1 May 2000.
- (54) ***Programme for women and youth in the Sahel region***
- Submitter: Sahel DEFIS, an NGO with headquarters in Burkina Faso.
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, and Togo)
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$224,280
Number: INT/98/K04
Duration: Two (2) years.
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: The final report was submitted on 17 April 2003.
- (55) ***Training, consultation, awareness and capacity building for small hydropower in developing countries***
- Submitter: International Network on Small Hydro Power (IN-SHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 16 countries (Bangladesh, China, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Ethiopia, Guatemala, India, Jamaica, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Panama, Venezuela, and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$150,000
Other inputs: US\$330,300
Number: INT/98/K06
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: The final report and financial statement were received on 15 February 2001. Final budget revision received on 19 April 2001.
- (56) ***International youth leadership training for promotion of South-South cooperation***
- Submitter: All Nigeria United Nations Students and Youth Association (ANUNSA) from Nigeria
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

- Participating/beneficiary countries: 11 countries (Algeria, Barbados, Cuba, Ghana, Indonesia, Liberia, Mozambique, Nigeria, Palestine, United Republic of Tanzania, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$20,000
Other inputs: US\$171,695
Number: INT/98/K07
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Final breakdown of disbursement received on 21 September 2000.
- (57) ***Master Plan for the sustainable development of transportation and related infrastructure in South America***
- Submitter: Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Sub-contractor: Not required
Priority area: Industrialization
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 member countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$50,000
Other inputs: US\$413,000
Number: INT/98/K08
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 8 March 2001
- (58) ***Harmonization of agricultural policies of the COMESA Member States***
- Submitter: Secretariat of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa, (COMESA), based in Lusaka, Zambia.
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 20 member countries (Angola, Burundi, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Rwanda, Seychelles, Sudan, Swaziland, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$60,000
Other inputs: US\$420,000(estimated)
Number: INT/98/K09
Duration: 1 year
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Final report submitted on 18 March 2003
- (59) ***Technology linkage through sharing and cooperation among developing countries***
- Submitter: Asian Alliance of Appropriate Technology Practitioners (Approtech), based in Manila, Philippines
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Bangladesh, Chile, Ecuador, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Kiribati, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka, and Thailand)
PGTF input: US\$100,000
Other inputs: US\$150,000
Number: INT/98/K10
Duration: 3 years
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 October 2003
- (60) ***Sub-regional intellectual property system***
- Submitter: Andean Community General Secretariat, based in Lima, Peru
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 member countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$50,000
Other inputs: US\$50,000
Number: INT/98/K11
Duration: 2 years
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Project closed on 28 September 2010. Only first part was implemented. Unspent balance of US\$ 27,500 reverted to PGTF. (Para. 190 of 2010 PGTF Committee of Experts report)

(61) ***Regional remote sensing activities***

Submitter: Southern African Development Community (SADC), based in Gaborone, Botswana
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 14 member countries (Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$50,000
Other inputs: US\$400,000
Number: INT/98/K12
Duration: 2 years
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Project closed on 28 September 2010

(62) ***Establishment of a statistical service unit and access of World Bank live database***

Submitter: Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity, with headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: All 53-member states of the African Union
PGTF input: US\$80,000
Other inputs: US\$1,206,690
Number: INT/98/K14
Duration: 3 years
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Project closed on 28 September 2010

(63) ***Macro-economic and sectoral cooperation programme***

Submitter: Secretariat of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), based in Lagos, Nigeria
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 16 member countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, and Togo)
PGTF input: US\$100,000
Other inputs: US\$194,000
Number: INT/98/K15
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: The project was closed in July 2008. Unspent balance of US\$ 50,000 reverted to PGTF.

(64) ***Strengthening of the competitive capacities of micro, small and medium-size enterprises as an employment-generating factor using the technical and economic cooperation mechanism between Latin America and the Caribbean and Africa***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

- Participating/beneficiary countries: 15 countries (Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Jamaica, Kenya, Mexico, Nigeria, Peru, South Africa, Trinidad and Tobago, Venezuela, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$100,000
Other inputs: US\$403,000
Number: INT/98/K16
Duration: Three (3) years
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 10 June 2003
- (65) ***Design of a regional project to strengthen strategies to reduce drug demand in Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela***
- Submitter: National Drug Directorate from Colombia
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Ecuador, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$15,000
Other inputs: US\$26,076
Number: INT/98/K17
Duration: Four (4) months
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Final report submitted on 30 October 2000.
- (66) ***Development of a kit for the diagnosis of the Chagas disease***
- Submitter: University of Los Andes from Venezuela
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Mexico, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$35,000
Other inputs: US\$705,000
Number: INT/98/K18
Duration: Thirteen (13) months.
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 9 September 2000.
- (67) ***Development of information network and database system for NAM-CSSTC***
- Submitter: Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia
Subcontractor: Center for South-South Technical Cooperation of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM-CSSTC), based in Jakarta, Indonesia
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: All 115-member countries of the Non-Aligned Movement
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$970,950 (in-kind)
Number: INT/99/K01
Duration: Three (3) years.
Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 June 2004
- (68) ***Technical assistance in the field of standardization, metrology and quality management among developing countries***
- Submitter: Committee for Standardization of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Nepal)
PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$73,667

Number: INT/99/K02

Duration: One (1) year.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final report submitted on 15 May 2001.

(69) ***Transportation information system (TIS) for the member countries of the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)***

Submitter: Secretariat of the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) based in Montevideo, Uruguay

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 member countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$37,000

Other inputs: US\$113,800

Number: INT/99/K03

Duration: Ten (10) months

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final report submitted on 29 August 2001.

(70) ***Pacific islands regional biomass energy resource assessment programme (PIRBERAP)***

Submitter: The South Pacific Applied Geosciences Commission (SOPAC) Secretariat, based in Suva, Fiji

Subcontractor: Relevant NGOs.

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu)

PGTF input: US\$34,000

Other inputs: US\$166,000

Number: INT/99/K05

Duration: Two (2) years.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999).

Completion: Terminal report submitted on 13 July 2004

(71) ***Development of innovative systems for programme management and revenue generation for ASEAN science and technology***

Submitter: ASEAN Secretariat, based in Jakarta, Indonesia

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 10 member countries (Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$34,000

Other inputs: US\$76,305

Number: INT/99/K07

Duration: Six (6) months.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999).

Completion: Terminal report submitted on 19 July 2004. Unspent balance of US\$3,019 reverted to the PGTF

(72) ***Preparation, reproduction and distribution of the second edition of the CD-ROM of the Pro-tempore Secretariat of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty***

Submitter: Pro-Tempore Secretariat of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty (Venezuela)

Subcontractor: Not required

Priority area: Information exchange

Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 member countries (Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Other inputs: US\$77,200

Number: INT/99/K09

Duration: Six (6) months.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final budget revision submitted on 9 November 2000. Actual expenditures were US\$ 30,826 and the unspent balance of US\$ 4,174 reverted to PGTF.

(73) ***Citrus certification programmes in Central America and the Caribbean***

Submitter: Instituto de Investigaciones de Cítricos y otros Frutales, from Cuba.

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Cuba, Dominican Republic, and Guatemala)

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Other inputs: US\$25,000

Number: INT/99/K10

Duration: One (1) year.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting (New York, 24 September 1999).

Completion: Final report submitted on 30 July 2002.

(74) ***Promotion of alternative energy resources in African countries parties to the CCD***

Submitter: Governments of Botswana, Cameroon, Kenya and Niger

Subcontractor: NGOs in Botswana, Cameroon, Kenya and Niger

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Botswana, Cameroon, Kenya, and Niger)

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$135,000

Number: INT/99/K12

Duration: One year.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final report submitted on 6 June 2006

(75) ***Support to community pilot project in Algeria, Mali and Niger***

Submitter: Governments of Algeria, Mali and Niger

Subcontractor: NGO "CARI"

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Algeria, Mali, and Niger)

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Other inputs: US\$83,000

Number: INT/99/K13

Duration: Three years.

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final report submitted on 28 July 2003

(76) ***Support to community pilot project in Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger***

Submitter: Governments of Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger

Subcontractor: Association Walte Edjef (Burkina Faso) and NGO Tassaght (Mali)

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Burkina Faso, Mali, and Niger)

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Other inputs: US\$140,000

Number: INT/99/K14

Duration: 3 years

Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 1999)

Completion: Final report submitted in December 2002

(77) ***Programme for regional technical cooperation in the field of integration in Mercosur member countries***

Submitter: Member institutions of the Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet)
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$40,000
Other inputs: US\$54,000
Number: INT/00/K01
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)
Completion: Final report submitted in December 2001.

(78) ***EPPP - Electronic Prototype Production Project in Ethiopia***

Submitter: The National Scientific Equipment Centre (NSEC) of the Ethiopian Science and Technology Commission
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Ethiopia, United Republic of Tanzania and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$40,000
Other inputs: US\$200,000
Number: INT/00/K02
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)
Completion: Closed in 2007

(79) ***Sustainable Management of Agro forest resources in Amazon Border Areas of Brazil, Colombia and Peru***

Submitter: Peruvian Technical Unit (UTP) in the National Institute for Development (INADE) of Peru
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Colombia and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$45,000
Other inputs: US\$75,000
Number: INT/00/K03
Duration: One year.
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)
Completion: Final report submitted on 7 August 2007

(80) ***Training of Irrigation and Drainage Designers for Undertaking Development of Water Resources in Developing Countries in Asia***

Submitter: Agricultural Ministry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Subcontractor: Irrigation Designing Institute from the Agricultural Ministry of DPR of Korea
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Nepal)
PGTF input: US\$40,000
Other inputs: US\$100,000
Number: INT/00/K04
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)
Completion: Final report and final budget revision submitted respectively on 10 January 2002 and 6 October 2003.

(81) ***Cooperation for Development and Application of Biological Farming Method among Developing Countries in Asia***

Submitter: Biological Branch of the Academy of Science of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Nepal, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$40,000
Other inputs: US\$112,500
Number: INT/00/K05
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000).
Completion: Final report submitted on 10 January 2002. Final budget revision submitted on 6 October 2003.

(82) ***Toward Asia Pacific Renaissance: Recovery, regional cooperation and the public sector***

Submitter: Asian and Pacific Development Center (APDC), based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 17 member countries (Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$105,100
Number: INT/00/K06
Duration: Six months
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)
Completion: Following dissolution of the submitting entity by its governing body in September 2004, the project was operationally closed in July 2007

(83) ***Trans-border Pilot Project in Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger (Azaouak)***

Submitter: Governments of Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger
Subcontractor: NGOs (ABC Ecologie in Niger and "ACAS" in Mali)
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Mali, Burkina Faso, and Niger)
PGTF input: US\$33,000
Other inputs: US\$74,800
Number: INT/00/K07
Duration: Three years
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)
Completion: Final report submitted in June 2004

(84) ***Assessment and study of the residual effect of pesticides utilization on crop products and flowers in Latin America***

Submitter: National University of Colombia
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, and Guatemala)
PGTF input: US\$35,000
Other inputs: US\$354,085
Number: INT/00/K09
Duration: Three years.
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000).
Completion: Final report submitted on 24 June 2004

(85) ***Programme of prevention in Peru and control in Ecuador and Colombia against the Guatemalan moth***

Submitter: National Agricultural Health Service (SENASA) from Peru
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture

- Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Ecuador, and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$43,268
Number: INT/00/K10
Duration: One year
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000).
Completion: Final report submitted on 5 September 2003
- (86) ***Support for development of transboundary communities' activities in the Kalahari-Namib region (Namibia, Botswana and South Africa)***
- Submitter: UNCCD Secretariat on behalf of the Governments of Namibia, Botswana and South Africa
Subcontractor: Southern African Development Community (SADC)
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Botswana, Namibia, and South Africa)
PGTF input: US\$35,000
Other inputs: US\$25,000
Number: INT/00/K11
Duration: Five years
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 June 2004
- (87) ***Strengthening the livelihood of women potters' associations, to fight against pressure on natural resources and rural poverty***
- Submitter: Governments of Burkina Faso, Ghana and Togo
Subcontractor: NGOs "ABC Ecologie" in Niger and "ACAS" in Mali
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Burkina Faso, Ghana, and Togo)
PGTF input: US\$10,000
Other inputs: US\$20,300
Number: INT/00/K12
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000)
Completion: Final report submitted on 12 August 2003
- (88) ***Trans-border Pilot Project in Mali, Mauritania and Senegal***
- Submitter: Governments of Mali, Mauritania and Senegal
Subcontractor: Local NGOs
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Mali, Mauritania, and Senegal)
PGTF input: US\$33,000
Other inputs: US\$224,000
Number: INT/00/K13
Duration: Three (3) years
Approval: 24th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 September 2000).
Completion: Final report submitted in November 2004
- (89) ***Quinoa, a multipurpose crop for agro-industrial uses in the Andean countries***
- Submitter: Universidad Nacional del Altiplano from Puno, Peru, through the National Council for Science and Technology of Peru.
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Colombia, and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$74,900
Other inputs: US\$89,800
Number: INT/01/K01

Duration: 18 months
Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)
Completion: Final report and financial statement received on 10 June 2004

(90) ***Improving Awassi Sheep Productivity by using frozen semen in Jordan and the***

Submitter: Jordan University of Science and Technology, based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: Same as above.
Priority: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Egypt, Jordan and Palestine)
PGTF input: US\$110,000
Other inputs: US\$260,000
Number: INT/01/K02
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 October 2006

(91) ***Watershed Management in the Northern Badia Region as an example for desert regions***

Submitter: AL al-Bayt University from Jordan
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Syrian Arab Republic)
PGTF input: US\$75,000
Other inputs: US\$142,720
Number: INT/01/K03
Duration: Three (3) years
Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)
Completion: Final report submitted on 16 May 2007

(92) ***Distributed Modeling of Pipeline Networks***

Submitter: Jordan University of Science and Technology, based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Jordan, Turkey, and United Arab Emirates)
PGTF input: US\$80,000
Other inputs: US\$80,000
Number: INT/01/K05
Duration: One year
Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 November 2003

(93) ***Technical Assistance and Support to the relatively less advanced stage of economic development countries in business missions***

Submitter: Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) Secretariat, based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Ecuador, and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$17,500
Other inputs: US\$75,300
Number: INT/01/K06
Duration: Three months
Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)
Completion: Final report submitted on 29 June 2005

(94) ***Water and energy optimization in sugar and alcohol integrated production***

Submitter: Submitter: Cuban Research Institute for Sugar Cane Byproducts (ICIDCA), Cuba
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Industrialization
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba, and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$86,000
Other inputs: US\$90,000
Number: INT/01/K07
Duration: One year
Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2004

(95) ***Training of Maize breeding experts for effective use of maize germplasm in Africa***

Submitter: Academy of Agricultural Science of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic Republic of the Congo, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Guinea, and Mali)
PGTF input: US\$81,200
Other inputs: US\$159,100
Number: INT/02/K01
Duration: Twelve months
Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 15 November 2001)
Completion: Final report and budget revision submitted on 22 August 2003

(96) ***Support to the Coordinating Secretariat of the Zambia-Malawi-Mozambique Growth Triangle for the Implementation of the ZMM-GT***

Submitter: Zambia Investment Center, based in Lusaka, Zambia
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Malawi, Mozambique, and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$70,000
Other inputs: US\$95,000
Number: INT/03/K01
Duration: One year
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 July 2010.

(97) ***Cooperation in promoting an Andean Fair Competition System (SICCLA)***

Submitter: Export Promotion Commission (PROMPEX) from Peru
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Ecuador and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$20,000
Other inputs: US\$32,750
Number: INT/03/K02
Duration: Twelve months
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)
Completion: Final report submitted on 23 March 2005

(98) ***Indicators System on Information and Communications Technology***

Submitter: National Institute of Statistics and Informatics (NISIT) from Peru
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Mexico, and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$50,000
Number: INT/03/K03
Duration: Twelve months
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)
Completion: Final report submitted on 8 June 2004

(99) ***Prevention in Peru and Control Programme in Bolivia and Brazil against *Anthonomus Grandis* Boheman "The Mexican Cotton Boll Weevil"***

Submitter: National Agricultural Health Service (SENASA) from Peru
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Brazil, and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$25,000
Number: INT/03/K04
Duration: Twelve months
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)
Completion: Final report submitted on 14 February 2008

(100) ***Regional technical cooperation programme: support to economic research in Mercosur***

Submitter: The Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet)
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$369,000
Number: INT/03/K05
Duration: Twelve months
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)
Completion: Final report submitted on 11 August 2004

(101) ***Negotiating Trade in Services: Implications for the Andean Community of Nations***

Submitter: The Latin American School for Social Sciences (FLACSO), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 member countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$20,000
Other inputs: US\$71,000
Number: INT/03/K06
Duration: One year
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)
Completion: Final report submitted on 11 August 2005

(102) ***Territorial imbalances and university education: impact of territorial imbalances on university student's performance***

Submitter: National University of La Plata from Argentina
Subcontractor: Same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$20,000
Other inputs: US\$144,400
Number: INT/03/K07
Duration: Nine months
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 23 August 2004

(103) ***Training, Consultation and Awareness Building for Small Hydropower in Developing Countries***

Submitter: International Network on Small Hydropower (IN-SHP), based in Hangzhou, China

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Bangladesh, China, India, and Sri Lanka)

PGTF input: US\$40,000

Other inputs: US\$117,400

Number: INT/03/K08

Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 8 June 2004

(104) ***Increase of sugar production by microbiological inhibition of the *Leuconostoc* spp. and other bacteria***

Submitter: Cuban Research Institute for Sugar Cane By-Products (ICIDCA) from Cuba

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba, and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$30,000

Number: INT/03/K09

Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 12 September 2005

(105) ***Caribbean Postgraduate Center***

Submitter: Universidad de Oriente (East University) from Cuba

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Cape Verde, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$111,500

Number: INT/03/K10

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 23 April 2014

(106) ***Development of water resources in the Badia region as an example of arid regions***

Submitter: Al al-Bayt University from Jordan

Subcontractor: Same as above

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Jordan, Palestine, and Syrian Arab Republic)

PGTF input: US\$70,000

Other inputs: US\$643,640

Number: INT/03/K11

Duration: Twelve months

Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Completion: Final report submitted on 4 January 2006

(107) ***Training of Irrigation Designers for Undertaking the Work of Developing the Water Resources in Developing Countries***

Submitter: Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

- Subcontractor: Irrigation Designing Institute under the Ministry of Agriculture of the DPR of Korea
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Burkina Faso, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Guinea, Mali, and Senegal)
PGTF input: US\$40,000
Other inputs: US\$110,000
Number: INT/03/K13
Duration: One year
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)
Completion: Final report and budget revision submitted on 1 March 2004
- (108) ***Strengthening South-South Africa/Asia/Latin America and the Caribbean Cooperation for Economic and Social Integration***
- Submitter: The Latin American Economic System (SELA) Permanent Secretariat, based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 9 countries (Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Kenya, Peru, South Africa, Uruguay, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$40,000
Other inputs: US\$92,000
Number: INT/03/K14
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 November 2007. Unspent balance of US\$ 4,726 reverted to PGTF
- (109) ***Capacity-building in Biosafety for the Caribbean***
- Submitter: Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST), based in Trinidad and Tobago
Subcontractor: Not required
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Guyana, St. Lucia, and Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$35,300
Number: INT/03/K15
Duration: Twelve months
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 19 September 2002)
Completion: Final report and budget revision submitted on 16 June 2004
- (110) ***Cooperation for floriculture and vegetable growing technology among developing countries***
- Submitter: Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Subcontractor: Pyongyang Horticulture Group, under the Agricultural Ministry of the DPRK
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Mali, Sudan, Uganda and United Republic of Tanzania)
PGTF input: US\$40,000
Other inputs: US\$101,200
Number: INT/04/K01
Duration: One year
Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)
Completion: Final report and budget revision submitted on 2 November 2004
- (111) ***Information network to promote strategies of socio-economic development in South American camelids of Andean Countries***
- Submitter: Research Center of the *Universidad Católica de Santa María* (St. Mary's Catholic University) from Arequipa, Peru

Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$44,200
Number: INT/04/K02
Duration: Sixteen months
Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)
Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 30 October 2006

(112) ***Design of a system of management of used pesticide containers***

Submitter: National Agricultural Health Service (SENASA) from Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$25,000
Number: INT/04/K03
Duration: One year
Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)
Completion: Final report and financial statement submitted on 20 December 2006

(113) ***Development of new technologies and products for the whole utilization of marginal and primary yeasts as sources of food (YAF)***

Submitter: Cuban Research Institute for Sugar Cane By-Products (ICIDCA) from Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$245,000
Number: INT/04/K04
Duration: One year
Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 July 2005

(114) ***Identification of international cooperation opportunities for the settlement of youth in small communities of Argentina, Chile and Uruguay***

Submitter: Foundation “Banco de la Provincia de Buenos Aires”, based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Chile and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$40,000
Number: INT/04/K05
Duration: Six months
Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)
Completion: Final report submitted on 18 May 2005.

(115) ***Technology Transfer: Assessing Needs – Promoting Action***

Submitter: United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), based in Vienna, Austria
Subcontractor: African Regional Center for Technology (ARCT), based in Dakar, Senegal
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries directly (Cote d’Ivoire, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Mongolia, Nigeria, Philippines, South Africa, Thailand, United Republic of Tanzania, Viet Nam and Zimbabwe) and 8

- countries collectively (Pacific Islands Group: Fiji, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Vanuatu)
PGTF input: US\$45,000
Other inputs: US\$65,000
Number: INT/04/K06
Duration: One year
Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)
Completion: Final report submitted in August 2007
- (116) ***Regional integration of postal transportation in the Andean Community***
Submitter: Postal Union of the Americas, Spain and Portugal (UPAEP), based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: *Universidad Externado de Colombia*
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$65,000
Number: INT/04/K07
Duration: Four (4) months
Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 August 2007
- (117) ***Development and strengthening of mechanisms for solving conflicts on shared natural resources in the Karamajong ecosystem in East Africa***
Submitter: UNCCD Secretariat on behalf of the governments of Kenya, Sudan and Uganda, as participating countries
Subcontractor: African Union – IBAR (Inter-African Bureau for Animal Resources), based in Nairobi, Kenya
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Kenya, Sudan and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$25,000 (in-kind)
Number: INT/04/K08
Duration: One year
Approval: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2003)
Completion: Closed on 5 July 2007
- (118) ***Training programme for the staff of some African Countries Member Chambers***
Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 13 countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Sudan, and Togo)
PGTF input: US\$24,700
Other inputs: US\$24,900
Number: INT/05/K01
Duration: Six (6) days
Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)
Completion: Final report submitted on 12 July 2005. Unspent balance of US\$ 8,846 reverted to PGTF
- (119) ***Training of Researchers for Seed Production, Processing and Inspection Methods in Developing Countries***
Submitter: Seed Technical Center (STC), Ministry of Agriculture of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$45,000

Other inputs: US\$67,500

Number: INT/05/K02

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Completion: Final report submitted on 10 August 2005

(120) ***Training of Groundnut Breeding Experts for the Effective Use of Groundnut Genetic Resources in the Developing Countries***

Submitter: Academy of Agricultural Sciences of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Guinea, Mali, Nigeria, and Senegal)

PGTF input: US\$45,000

Other inputs: US\$67,500

Number: INT/05/K03

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Completion: Final report submitted on 13 June 2005

(121) ***Exchange of Experiences of Export Trade Promotion Organizations in the Andean Region***

Submitter: The Peruvian Trade Commission (PROMPEX), based in Lima, Peru

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Bolivia, Chile, Ecuador and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$27,500

Other inputs: US\$32,200

Number: INT/05/K05

Duration: Five (5) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Completion: Final report submitted on 31 December 2007

(122) ***Strengthening development cooperation for poverty reduction between Viet Nam, Benin, and Mozambique***

Submitter: Government of Viet Nam

Subcontractor: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Benin, Mozambique, and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$25,400

Other inputs: US\$40,000

Number: INT/05/K06

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Completion: Final report submitted on 26 May 2006

(123) ***Latin American network for scientific and technical information on vaccines***

Submitter: Finlay Institute - Center for Research-Production of Vaccines, based in Havana, Cuba

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador and El Salvador)

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Other inputs: US\$303,958

Number: INT/05/K10

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Completion: Final report submitted on 3 June 2011

(124) ***Training of irrigation and drainage designers for protection from drought and flood damage in developing countries***

Submitter: Irrigation Designing Research Institute (IDRI) from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Sudan and Uganda)

PGTF input: US\$34,827

Other inputs: US\$43,173

Number: INT/06/K01

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report submitted on 16 August 2006

(125) ***Training of experts on construction and operation of small-size hydropower plants in developing countries***

Submitter: Institute of Electric Power and Remote Control ((IEPRC) from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic and Nepal)

PGTF input: US\$30,000

Other inputs: US\$42,066

Number: INT/06/K02

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report submitted on 8 August 2006

(126) ***Training of experts on standardization and metrology of developing countries***

Submitter: State Administration for Quality Management from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Sudan and Uganda)

PGTF input: US\$34,827

Other inputs: US\$43,173

Number: INT/06/K03

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report was submitted on 17 August 2006

(127) ***Yeast and yeast derivative production from cheese whey (YEWHEY)***

Submitter: "Universidad Nacional de Quilmes" based in Buenos Aires, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Costa Rica, El Salvador and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$30,000

Other inputs: US\$347,000

Number: INT/06/K04

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)

Completion: Final report was submitted on 1 December 2008. Unspent balance of US\$ 4,415 reverted to PGTF

(128) ***Support to the MERCOSUR regional integration process***

Submitter: Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet) based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$41,000
Number: INT/06/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)
Completion: Final report was submitted on 29 June 2007

(129) ***Training programme for staff of national chambers of commerce of Middle Eastern countries***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI) based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 19 countries (Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen)
PGTF input: US\$27,400
Other inputs: US\$33,000
Number: INT/06/K06
Duration: Four (4) days in mid-2006
Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)
Completion: Final report submitted on 4 July 2006. Unspent balance of US\$6,097 reverted to PGTF

(130) ***International youth leadership training for promotion of South-South cooperation – 2nd Study session and training***

Submitter: Caribbean Youth Environment Network (CYEN) based in Bridgetown, Barbados
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 21 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Chile, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Liberia, Mauritius, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$70,786
Number: INT/06/K07
Duration: Five (5) months
Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)
Completion: Final report submitted on 13 September 2006

(131) ***Creation of a rainwater-harvesting model***

Submitter: Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST) based in Trinidad and Tobago
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 11 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Bahamas, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Martinique, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$35,000
Number: INT/06/K08
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)
Completion: Project financially closed on 19 October 2007

- (132) ***Harmonization of norms and procedures for agronomic evaluation of commercial varieties in Peru, Colombia and Bolivia***
- Submitter: National Service of Agrarian Health (SENASA) from Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bolivia, Colombia and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$40,000
Number: INT/06/K09
Duration: Eight (8) months
Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)
Completion: Final report submitted on 8 January 2009
- (133) ***Training, consultation and awareness for small hydropower development in Mozambique, Uganda, Nigeria and Zimbabwe***
- Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (IC-SHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (China, Mozambique, Nigeria, Uganda, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$35,000
Other inputs: US\$40,840
Number: INT/06/K10
Duration: Fifteen (15) months
Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)
Completion: Final report submitted on 17 October 2008
- (134) ***Strengthening of coordination and cooperation among countries for the prevention of HIV/AIDS in the Americas region***
- Submitter: Ministry of Health of Jamaica
Subcontractor: Pan American Health Organization
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Bahamas, Cuba, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, and Nicaragua)
PGTF input: US\$35,000
Other inputs: US\$78,000
Number: INT/06/K11
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 29th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2005)
Completion: Final report submitted on 25 September 2008
- (135) ***First International Seminar on biosphere resources located in semi-arid regions***
- Submitter: Department of Science, Technology and Environment of the Pernambuco State Government (Brazil)
Subcontractor: Friends of the Caatinga Biosphere Institute, an NGO based in Brazil
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Morocco, Paraguay, and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$35,000
Other inputs: US\$45,000
Number: INT/07/K01
Duration: Five (5) months
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 July 2007
- (136) ***Training of experts on standardization and metrology of developing countries***
- Submitter: State Administration for Quality Management of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Nepal)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 41,000
Number: INT/07/K03
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Completion: Final report submitted on 22 July 2013

(137) ***Training of maize breeding experts for the effective use of maize genetic resources of developing countries***

Submitter: Academy of Agricultural Sciences of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Guinea, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania)
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Other inputs: US\$ 42,000
Number: INT/07/K04
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 August 2014

(138) ***Enhanced diagnostic capacity and control measures of some trans-boundary animal diseases with emphasis on pathology and epidemiology of Johne's disease and para-tuberculosis in Jordan, Egypt and Algeria***

Submitter: Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Algeria, Egypt and Jordan)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/07/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Completion: Final report submitted on 12 March 2008

(139) ***Building National Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) capacity of developing countries to effectively harness small hydropower***

Submitter: International Center of Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China,
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 18 countries (Argentina, Colombia, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, India, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 50,360
Number: INT/07/K06
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Completion: Final report submitted in December 2010

(140) ***International cooperation of computational intelligence study and research exchange in city information management***

Submitter: The Tongji University based in Shanghai, China and the Shanghai Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization
Subcontractor: The Tongji University
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (China, Cameroon, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Morocco, Nepal, and Yemen)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 50,000
Number: INT/07/K07
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Completion: Final report submitted on 22 June 2011

(141) ***Training and transfer of sea buckthorn technology to enhance the sustainable development of developing countries***

Submitter: The International Center for Research and Training on Sea Buckthorn (ICRTS), based in Beijing, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, India, Mongolia and Nepal)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/07/K08
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Completion: Final report submitted in December 2010

(142) ***Appropriate construction technologies, basic environmental drainage and alternative energies: Amazon experiences as a basis for implementing the “Red de Tecnologías Apropriadas de la Amazonia (RETAM) – Amazon Network of Appropriate Technologies”***

Submitter: FUNDABITAT, a non-governmental organization based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 206,952
Number: INT/07/K10
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Completion: Final report submitted on 30 March 2010

(143) ***Training programme for devising national small and medium enterprises (SME) programmes for member countries of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC)***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Afghanistan, Albania, Bangladesh, Egypt, Islamic Republic of Iran, Sultanate of Oman, Pakistan, Sudan, Syria, Togo, Turkey, and Yemen)
PGTF input: US\$39,000
Other inputs: US\$59,500
Number: INT/07/K11
Duration: Four (4) days
Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)
Completion: Final report submitted on 7 January 2008. Unspent balance of US\$18,184 reverted to PGTF

- (144) ***Sustainable rainwater harvesting and ground water recharge in developing countries – Human resource development and technology transfer***
- Submitter: Center for Science & Technology of the Non-aligned and Other Developing Countries, based in New Delhi, India
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 18 countries (Botswana, Cambodia, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritius, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Viet Nam and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 42,309
Other inputs: US\$ 46,300
Number: INT/08/K02
Duration: Thirty-six (36) months
Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)
Completion: Final report submitted on 30 August 2011. This project received funds from IFAD under the IFAD-PGTF Grant Agreement signed in November 2006
- (145) ***Capacity building in plant genomics in Latin America***
- Submitter: Cayetano Heredia Peruvian University (*Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia*), based in Lima, Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Chile and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 38,000
Other inputs: US\$ 135,600
Number: INT/08/K03
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)
Completion: Final report submitted on 12 August 2009
- (146) ***Harmonization of norms and procedures for value-added timber products in South America***
- Submitter: The Wood Technology Innovation Center (*CITE Madera*) from Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Chile, Peru and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 36,000
Other inputs: US\$ 53,930
Number: INT/08/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 December 2009
- (147) ***Strengthening of capacities of private sector agencies and NGOs in selected African countries through regional networking and ECDC/TCDC supporting Women and Youth Entrepreneurship (WED/YED)***
- Submitter: United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), based in Vienna, Austria
Subcontractor: Small Industries Development Organization (SIDO) from Tanzania
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Eritrea, Kenya, Malawi, United Republic of Tanzania and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$ 42,330
Other inputs: US\$ 83,000
Number: INT/08/K05
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)

Completion: Final report submitted on 23 December 2009. This project received funds from IFAD under the IFAD-PGTF Grant Agreement signed in November 2006.

(148) ***Increased sugar production through microbial inhibition of *Leuconostoc* sp. and other bacteria (Phase II)***

Submitter: Cuban Research Institute for Sugar Cane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Industrialization

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Cuba and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$ 38,000

Other inputs: US\$ 55,000

Number: INT/08/K06

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)

Completion: Final report submitted on 17 February 2011

(149) ***Interactive CD-ROMs on Climate Change for public education among Caribbean audiences***

Submitter: Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST), based in Trinidad and Tobago

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent and the Grenadines)

PGTF input: US\$ 36,000

Other inputs: US\$ 42,000

Number: INT/08/K07

Duration: Fifteen (15) months

Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)

Completion: Final report submitted on 4 April 2013

(150) ***International cooperation of higher education popularization and reformation study for developing countries***

Submitter: The Tongji University, based in Shanghai, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Bangladesh, Cameroon, China, Gabon, Haiti, Morocco and Sudan)

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 55,000

Number: INT/08/K08

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)

Completion: Final report submitted on 18 October 2013

(151) ***Training of agriculture administrators, technicians and farmers on sustainable development in the mountainous upland areas of the Greater Mekong sub region***

Submitter: Lancang-Mekong Sub-regional Economic Cooperation & Trade Development Center (LMEC), based in Yunnan, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Cambodia, China, Lao People's Democratic Republic and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$ 42,000

Other inputs: US\$ 66,000

Number: INT/08/K09

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)

Completion: Final report submitted on 13 April 2009. This project received funds from IFAD under the IFAD-PGTF Grant Agreement signed in November 2006

(152) ***Community based sustainable alternative livelihood development for lake protection***

Submitter: Office of Mountain-River-Lake Development Committee (MRLDO) of the province of Jiangxi, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Indonesia and Sri Lanka)

PGTF input: US\$ 38,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Number: INT/08/K10

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)

Completion: Final report submitted on 1 April 2013

(153) ***Fee-for-service pico hydro: model for providing power to remote, low-income households***

Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, India and Sri Lanka)

PGTF input: US\$ 38,000

Other inputs: US\$ 59,500

Number: INT/08/K11

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2007)

Completion: Final report submitted on 1 April 2013

(154) ***Training programme on microfinance sector development***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI), based in Karachi, Pakistan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 15 countries (Bahrain, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Djibouti, Egypt, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Senegal, Sudan, Uganda and Yemen)

PGTF input: US\$ 32,955

Other inputs: US\$ 62,050

Number: INT/09/K02

Duration: Four (4) days

Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)

Completion: Final report submitted on 12 September 2009. Unspent balance of US\$7,726 reverted to PGTF

(155) ***Support to the Mercosur regional integration process***

Submitter: Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet), based in Montevideo, Uruguay

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 21,000

Other inputs: US\$ 49,000

Number: INT/09/K03

Duration: Six (6) months

Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)

Completion: Final report submitted on 6 April 2010

(156) ***South American inter-laboratories network for standardization and accreditation of value-added textile products made with fibers from South American camelids in Argentina, Bolivia and Peru***

Submitter: Technical Office of the Technological Innovation Centers, based in Lima, Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Bolivia and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 48,480
Number: INT/09/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Completion: Final report submitted on 4 March 2011

(157) ***Implementation of the electronic vote observatory in Latin America***

Submitter: *Oficina Nacional de Procesos Electorales* (National Bureau of Electoral Processes), based in Lima, Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Costa Rica and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Other inputs: US\$ 34,575
Number: INT/09/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Completion: Final report submitted on 7 April 2011

(158) ***Exchange of experiences on assistance services for exporters and utilization of technological tools for supporting export-promotion organizations in the Andean region***

Submitter: PROMPERU, the Trade Promotion Agency of Peru, based in Lima, Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Colombia, Costa Rica, Chile, Ecuador and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 36,700
Number: INT/09/K06
Duration: Two (2) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Completion: Final report submitted on 11 April 2011

(159) ***Training plan for popularizing the clean burning technology of environment protection boiler***

Submitter: Jiangxi Association for International Economic Cooperation, based in China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Indonesia and Thailand)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 100,000
Number: INT/09/K08
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 April 2013

(160) ***Promotion dairy technical and economic cooperation between China and Africa through value-added functional dairy products***

Submitter: South-South Biological Technology Center, based in Beijing, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Kenya, South Africa and United Republic of Tanzania)

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 92,460
Number: INT/09/K09
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 April 2013

(161) ***Regional cooperation on edible mushroom technology***

Submitter: Asia Pacific Edible Mushroom Training Center (APEMTC), based in Fuzhou, Fujian province, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Philippines and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Other inputs: US\$ 56,000
Number: INT/09/K10
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Completion: Final report submitted in August 2014

(162) ***TCDC/ECDC facilitation e-center of bamboo***

Submitter: China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 8 countries (China, Colombia, Fiji, Ghana, India, Nigeria, Philippines, and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 37,000
Other inputs: US\$ 62,000
Number: INT/09/K11
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 April 2013

(163) ***SIM EMWG Training and Development***

Submitter: National Institute of Metrology, Standardization and Industrial Quality of Brazil (INMETRO), based in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, and Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000
Other inputs: US\$ 60,040
Number: INT/09/K14
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 July 2011

(164) ***Strengthening of infrastructure and synergy for animal health sectors***

Submitter: Jordan University of Science and Technology, based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Palestine and Yemen)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 45,000
Number: INT/10/K01
Duration: Ten (10) months

Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 25 July 2011. This project received funds from IFAD under the IFAD-PGTF Grant Agreement signed in November 2006

(165) ***Cooperation and coordination of institutions in Latin America and the Caribbean, Asia and Africa for disaster risk reduction***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 27 member countries of SELA
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 47,000
Number: INT/10/K02
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 May 2011. Actual expenditures of the project were US\$ 27,484 and Unspent balance of US\$ 5,516 reverted to PGTF. This project received funds from IFAD under the IFAD-PGTF Grant Agreement signed in November 2006

(166) ***Efficiency improving and energy saving scale-up of existing small hydropower (SHP) plants in rural areas***

Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (IC-SHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 66,000
Number: INT/10/K03
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 8 September 2013

(167) ***Application and dissemination of reinforced fiberglass biogas digester for remote and low-income households***

Submitter: Biomass Institute of the Ministry of Agriculture (BIOMA), based in Chengdu, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Bangladesh, China and the Philippines)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 51,000
Number: INT/10/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2019

(168) ***International cooperation of e-Government promotion and exchange for developing countries***

Submitter: Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization of the *Centre International de Formation des Autorités Locales* (CIFAL), based in Shanghai, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 38 countries (Afghanistan, Argentina, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Chile, China, Dominica, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Maldives, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Viet Nam, and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 75,000
Number: INT/10/K05
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 January 2018

(169) ***Training in legal metrology***

Submitter: Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Regional Organization for Standards and Quality (CROSQ), based in St. Michael, Barbados
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 14 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Montserrat, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$ 27,000
Other inputs: US\$ 27,000
Number: INT/10/K06
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 March 2012

(170) ***Indicators system on information technologies and communications in the Andean Community (CAN)***

Submitter: “Instituto Nacional de Estadística e Informática – INEI” (National Institute of Statistics and Informatics) from Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 32,000
Number: INT/10/K07
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 26 June 2012

(171) ***Exchange of experiences about opening of new markets for the value-added export supply of Colombia, Ecuador and Peru***

Submitter: Peruvian Promotion Commission for Exports and Tourism (PROMPERU) from Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Trade
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Ecuador and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 30,100
Number: INT/10/K08
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 June 2014

(172) ***International comparison on measurement of mass, length and pressure***

Submitter: National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Protection of Intellectual Property (INDECOP) from Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico, Peru and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,940
Other inputs: US\$ 27,740

Number: INT/10/K09
Duration: Ten (10) months
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 29 December 2014

(173) ***Development of Cleaner Production in the sugar and byproduct industries***

Submitter: Cuban Research Institute on Sugar Cane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Industrialization
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba and Nicaragua)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 56,000
Number: INT/10/K10
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 10 August 2012

(174) ***Fifth Forum for Businesswomen in Islamic Countries***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 17 member countries of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) (Bahrain, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Comoros, Egypt, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 140,250
Number: INT/10/K11
Duration: Three (3) days
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Completion: Final report submitted on 30 June 2010. Unspent balance of US\$ 5,525 reverted to PGTF. This project received funds from IFAD under the IFAD-PGTF Grant Agreement signed in November 2006

(175) ***Establishing alternative sustainable livelihoods in agriculture through the development of a vibrant fine flavor Caribbean cocoa industry***

Submitter: Cocoa Research Unit of the University of West Indies, based in St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Grenada, Jamaica, St. Lucia, and Trinidad and Tobago)
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Other inputs: US\$ 116,490
Number: INT/11/K01
Duration: Ten (10) months
Approval: 34th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2010)
Completion: Final report submitted on 17 August 2020

(176) ***Acceleration of small hydropower (SHP) development and carbon financing in African and Asian countries***

Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (IC-SHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Sierra Leone, Viet Nam and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 36,000
Other inputs: US\$ 49,000
Number: INT/11/K02

Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 34th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2010)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 April 2013

(177) ***Cooperation, integration and convergence in the area of health in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 27 member countries of SELA
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/11/K03
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 34th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2010)
Completion: Final report submitted on 12 December 2011. Unspent balance of USD 6,679 reverted to PGTF

(178) ***Production and application of bio-products in cultures of economic importance***

Submitter: Cuban Research Institute on Sugar Cane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Cuba and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Other inputs: US\$ 90,000
Number: INT/11/K04
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 34th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2010)
Completion: Final report submitted on 13 April 2015

(179) ***Sixth Forum for Businesswomen in Islamic Countries***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 14 countries (Bahrain, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Indonesia, Kuwait, Lebanon, Mauritania, Pakistan, United Arab Emirates, Senegal, Somalia, Sudan y Togo)
PGTF input: US\$ 36,000
Other inputs: US\$ 141,500
Number: INT/11/K05
Duration: Three (3) days
Approval: 34th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2010)
Completion: Final report submitted on 5 April 2013. Unspent balance of US\$ 11,293 reverted to PGTF

(180) ***A proposal to enhance the capacity building/development on the effect of climate change in animal health issue with special reference to bluetongue disease in Egypt, Algeria, Palestine and Jordan***

Submitter: Jordan University for Science and Technology, based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan and Palestine)
PGTF input: US\$ 36,000
Other inputs: US\$ 45,000
Number: INT/11/K07
Duration: Ten (10) months
Approval: 34th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2010)
Completion: Final report submitted on 10 July 2013

(181) ***Strengthening and promotion of Latin American and the Caribbean cooperation in agriculture and food security***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela

Subcontractor: not required

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 28 member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Number: INT/12/K01

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Completion: Final report submitted 6 December 2012. Unspent balance of US\$ 736 reverted to PGTF.

(182) ***Search of new markets for fruits and vegetables***

Submitter: Peru Export and Tourism Promotion Board (Promperu), based in Lima, Peru

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Ecuador and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$ 22,000

Other inputs: US\$ 33,820

Number: INT/12/K02

Duration: Six (6) months

Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Completion: Final report submitted on 15 February 2013

(183) ***Quality control system for added-value products of South America***

Submitter: The Technological Innovation Center for Wood (CITE-Madera) under the Ministry of Production of Peru

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Industrialization

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Chile, Peru and Uruguay)

PGTF input: US\$ 21,994

Other inputs: US\$ 37,405

Number: INT/12/K03

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Completion: Final report submitted 19 December 2014

(184) ***Programme for the development of mechanisms for exports of services in the free zones of Colombia, Brazil and Peru***

Submitter: Ministry of Foreign Trade and Tourism of Peru

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Trade

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Colombia and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$ 21,000

Other inputs: US\$ 39,000

Number: INT/12/K04

Duration: Two (2) months

Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Completion: Final report submitted on 8 January 2015

(185) ***Consortium on Science, Technology and Innovation for the South (COSTIS)***

Submitter: Argentina, as Chair country of the Group of 77

Subcontractor: not required

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 61,000

Number: INT/12/K05

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Completion: Final report submitted on 16 July 2018

(186) ***A proposal to enhance the diagnostic capacities of rabies disease with special reference to its pathology and epidemiology on Egypt, Algeria, Palestine and Jordan***

Submitter: Department of Pathology and Animal Health, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Jordan University of Science and Technology, based in Irbid, Jordan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Health

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan and Palestine)

PGTF input: US\$ 23,000

Other inputs: US\$ 45,000

Number: INT/12/K06

Duration: Ten (10) months

Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Completion: Final report submitted on 5 February 2015

(187) ***Made in the Caribbean***

Submitter: National Institute of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST), based in Newtown, Trinidad and Tobago

Subcontractor: Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST), based in Newtown, Trinidad and Tobago

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Barbados, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago)

PGTF input: US\$ 21,000

Other inputs: US\$ 28,450

Number: INT/12/K07

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Completion: Final report submitted on 19 October 2017

(188) ***Technical extension and application of sustainable aquaculture in Namibia and Mozambique***

Submitter: Freshwater Fisheries Research Center under the Chinese Academy of Fishery Sciences, based in Jiangsu, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Mozambique and Namibia)

PGTF input: US\$ 23,000

Other inputs: US\$ 67,500

Number: INT/12/K08

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Completion: Final report submitted in June 2014.

(189) ***Initiative on research and practice of green hydropower in China and selected countries in Latin America***

Submitter: International Center on Small Hydro Power (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, China and Colombia)
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 87,900
Number: INT/12/K09
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Completion: Final report submitted in August 2014

(190) ***Assessment of bamboo shoot development for food in Africa and Latin America***

Submitter: China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC), based in Zhejiang, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Argentina, Brazil, China, Mexico, Rwanda and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 62,000
Number: INT/12/K10
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Completion: Final report submitted on 22 June 2017

(191) ***IT device assembling capability building and technology transfer to the developing countries***

Submitter: CIFAL Shanghai, the Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization, based in Shanghai, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 29 countries (Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, China, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Jamaica, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palestine, Papua New Guinea, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Viet Nam, Yemen and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$36,000
Number: INT/12/K11
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Completion: Final report submitted on 4 April 2018

(192) ***Isolation of Actinomycetes from Cuba for seeking new antibiotic and anti-parasitic agents***

Submitter: Institute of Molecular and Cellular Biology under the Faculty of Biochemical and Pharmaceutical Sciences of the National University of Rosario, based in Rosario, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Colombia and Cuba)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 65,000
Number: INT/12/K12
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Completion: Final report submitted on 5 June 2017

(193) ***Development of technologies for social inclusion. Building capabilities in the Mercosur***

Submitter: Institute of Studies on Science and Technology of the National University of Quilmes, based in Bernal, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 130,000
Number: INT/12/K13
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Completion: Final report submitted on 17 February 2017

(194) ***Scientific-technical observatory on vaccines (VaCyT)***

Submitter: Finlay Institute, Center for Research-Production of Vaccines, based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, El Salvador, Mexico and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 437,867
Number: INT/12/K15
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 September 2017

(195) ***Bio-ethanol production from alternative substrates (BEPAS)***

Submitter: Cuban Institute of Research on Sugarcane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Cuba and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 48,000
Number: INT/12/K16
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 December 2016

(196) ***Regional cooperation for international liquidity management in Mercosur***

Submitter: Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet), based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Finance
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 21,000
Other inputs: US\$ 58,000
Number: INT/12/K17
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 October 2016

(197) ***Training programme for microfinance sector development for OIC countries***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Finance
Participating/beneficiary countries: 14 countries (Afghanistan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Jordan, Kuwait, Malaysia, Oman, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Tajikistan, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan and Yemen)

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000
Other inputs: US\$ 28,700
Number: INT/12/K18
Duration: Three (3) days
Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 August 2013. Unspent amount of US\$ 2,762 reverted to PGTF.

(198) ***Training programme on entrepreneurship development of OIC countries***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 16 countries (Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Kyrgyzstan, Oman, Pakistan, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Tajikistan, Uganda, United Arab Emirates and Yemen)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 33,000
Number: INT/13/K01
Duration: Three (3) days
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 August 2013. Unspent amount of US\$ 3,204 reverted to PGTF

(199) ***A proposal to improve the diagnostics capacities of Brucellosis disease, enhance the vaccination and control strategies with special emphasis on farmers' awareness in Algeria, Egypt, Palestine and Jordan***

Submitter: Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan and Palestine)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/13/K02
Duration: Ten (10) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 5 February 2015

(200) ***OIC-LDC Youth entrepreneurship development – Education seminar and training YED***

Submitter: Islamic Conference Youth Forum for Dialogue and Cooperation (ICYF-DC), based in Istanbul, Turkey
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 10 countries (Cameroon, Djibouti, Indonesia, Maldives, Palestine, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Thailand and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 34,400
Other inputs: US\$ 111,846
Number: INT/13/K03
Duration: Three (3) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 January 2016

(201) ***Strengthening development and integration of the border areas in Latin America and the Caribbean as a cornerstone for the economic and social dimensions of integration***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

- Participating/beneficiary countries: 28 member countries (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 42,000
Number: INT/13/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2013
- (202) ***Strengthening of the South American network for the textile and commercial standardization of fine natural hair of South American camelids (Alpaca) in Argentina, Bolivia and Peru***
- Submitter: General Directorate for Agrarian Competitiveness under the Ministry of Agriculture of Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Bolivia and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 30,000
Number: INT/13/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 May 2016
- (203) ***Regional integration and infrastructure for development on Latin America***
- Submitter: Mercosur Economic Research Network (MercoNet), based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/13/K07
Duration: Eight (8) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 October 2016
- (204) ***Decontamination of distillery slops by microbial protein propagation***
- Submitter: Cuban Institute of Research on Sugarcane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Industrialization
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Cuba and Nicaragua)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 95,000
Number: INT/13/K08
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 25 June 2017
- (205) ***Demonstration programme of refurbished rural multi-purposed small hydropower project in Asia and Latin America***
- Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, India, Sri Lanka and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 90,000
Number: INT/13/K09
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted in August 2014

(206) ***Integrated solution to drinking water safety issues in rural areas***

Submitter: Promotion Association for Mountain-River-Lake Regional Sustainable Development (MRLSD), based in Jiangxi, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, India and Sri Lanka)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 32,000
Number: INT/13/K10
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 October 2015

(207) ***Technical training on small hydropower among ASEAN countries***

Submitter: Hangzhou Regional Center (Asia-Pacific) for Small Hydropower (SH), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 9 countries (Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 37,000
Number: INT/13/K11
Duration: Four (4) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 3 December 2015

(208) ***Assessment of bamboo bioenergy development in Africa and Latin America***

Submitter: China National Bamboo Research Center, based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Argentina, Brazil, China, Rwanda and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 113,000
Number: INT/13/K12
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 10 January 2018

(209) ***Enhancing the Preparedness and Awareness of the Concerned Governmental Authorities and Farmers on the Spread and Control of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in Egypt, Algeria, Palestine and Jordan***

Submitter: Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Jordan, Palestine, and Turkey)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/14/K01
Duration: Eleven (11) months
Approval: 37th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2013)

Completion: Final report submitted on 11 July 2016

(210) ***Workshop on Capacity Building on Value Chain Analysis for Agribusiness***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA), based in Karachi, Pakistan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 16 member countries of the OIC (Bangladesh, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Libya, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkey and Uganda)

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Number: INT/14/K03

Duration: Three (3) days

Approval: 37th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2013)

Completion: Final report submitted in February 2015. Unspent balance of US\$ 3,400 reverted to PGTF

(211) ***Cooperation for the productive use of migrants' remittances in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 28 member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela).

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Number: INT/14/K04

Duration: Seven (7) months

Approval: 37th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2013)

Completion: Final report submitted on 18 August 2014. Unspent balance of US\$ 3,500 reverted to PGTF

(212) ***Gasification of residual biomass from sugarcane crops for power generation***

Submitter: "Obispo Colombres" Agro-industrial Experimental Station (EEAOC), based in Tucuman, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Cuba)

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 92,000

Number: INT/14/K05

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 37th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2013)

Completion: Final report submitted on 13 October 2017

(213) ***Synthesis, characterization, and evaluation of bio products of industrial application***

Submitter: Faculty of Biochemistry, Chemistry and Pharmacy of the National University of Tucuman, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba and Mexico)

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 85,000

Number: INT/14/K06

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

- Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Completion: Final report submitted on 26 August 2022.
- (214) ***Technical Cooperation for the Development of Therapeutic Strategies to Control Helminthes Infections of Global Importance***
- Submitter: Institute for the Biochemical Research of La Plata, National University of La Plata, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 330,000
Number: INT/14/K07
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 37th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2013)
Completion: Final report submitted on 8 August 2017
- (215) ***Promotion of indigenous pig and chicken breeds in Fiji, Niue and Cook Islands through marketing and consumption***
- Submitter: Secretariat of the Pacific Community, based in Suva, Fiji
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Cook Islands, Fiji and Niue)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 100,000
Number: INT/14/K09
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 37th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2013)
Completion: Final report submitted on 8 February 2018
- (216) ***Protein Enrichment of Lignocellulose Residues for Animal Feed from Sugar Industry Effluents***
- Submitter: Cuban Research Institute for Sugar Cane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 78,000
Number: INT/14/K10
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 37th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2013)
Completion: Final report submitted on 7 September 2016
- (217) ***Promoting bamboo industrialization through value chain study in China, Nepal and Viet Nam***
- Submitter: China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Industrialization
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Nepal and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/15/K01
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 30 March 2018
- (218) ***Improvement of Recirculating Aquaculture System (RAS) performance in Viet Nam and Sri Lanka***

- Submitter: Freshwater Fisheries Research Center under the Chinese Academy of Fishery Sciences, based in Jiangsu, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Sri Lanka and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 46,000
Number: INT/15/K02
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 January 2019
- (219) ***Demonstration and promotion of high-yield and high-quality cultivation and deep processing technology of Ganoderma Lucidum in developing countries***
- Submitter: Fujian Provincial Science and Technology Exchange Center with Foreign Countries, based in Fuzhou, Fujian province, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 11 countries (China, Fiji, Indonesia, Kenya, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nigeria, Philippines, Sri Lanka, United Republic of Tanzania, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 165,000
Number: INT/15/K03
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 October 2017
- (220) ***Overcoming existing barriers to small hydropower development in Southern and Eastern African countries***
- Submitter: International Center for Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (China, Ethiopia, Kenya, Sudan, United Republic of Tanzania and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 80,000
Number: INT/15/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 11 August 2017
- (221) ***Port cooperation in Latin America and the Caribbean, Digital Ports: Situation and prospects***
- Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 28 member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/15/K05
Duration: Ten (10) months
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 19 June 2015

- (222) ***Development of a mechanism for joint ventures and partnership among women-led enterprises through South-South Cooperation***
- Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 11-member countries of the OIC (Bangladesh, Benin, Egypt, Islamic Republic of Iran, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mauritania, Pakistan, Sudan, Tajikistan and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/15/K06
Duration: Three (3) days
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 19 November 2015
- (223) ***Surveillance and pathogen characterization of Bacterial Canker of Stone Fruits using biochemical and molecular methods and its bio-management***
- Submitter: Pir Mehr Ali Shah (PMAS) Arid Agriculture University, based in Rawalpindi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Islamic Republic of Iran, Kyrgyzstan and Pakistan)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 57,000
Number: INT/15/K07
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 September 2025
- (224) ***Natural resources management in Latin America: Lessons learned and opportunities for South-South cooperation with Africa***
- Submitter: South American Network on Applied Economics (MercoNet), based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,100
Other inputs: US\$ 42,000
Number: INT/15/K08
Duration: Ten (10) months
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 30 July 2019
- (225) ***South-South Network for cooperation and action: research in innovative social enterprises led by women***
- Submitter: Government of Argentina
Subcontractor: Faculty of Arts and Design, University of Cuyo, based on Cuyo, Argentina
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Chile and India)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 36,000
Number: INT/15/K10
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 5 December 2017
- (226) ***Capacity development for risk reduction management centers in the Caribbean***

- Submitter: Cuban Environmental Agency (AMA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Cuba, Dominican Republic and Jamaica)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 48,000
Number: INT/15/K11
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 September 2017
- (227) ***A proposal to improve the diagnostic capacities of “Peste Des Petits Ruminants” (PPR), enhance the vaccination and control strategies with special emphasis on farmers education and awareness in Egypt, Algeria, the State of Palestine and Jordan***
- Submitter: Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Jordan University of Science and Technology, based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan and Palestine)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 32,000
Number: INT/16/K01
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 20 September 2017
- (228) ***Information safety capacity building programme 2016***
- Submitter: CIFAL – Shanghai International Training Center, based in Shanghai, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 32 countries (Antigua and Barbuda, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Cambodia, China, Colombia, Cuba, Egypt, Ethiopia, Federated States of Micronesia, Ghana, Grenada, Guyana, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Lesotho, Malawi, Pakistan, Palestine, Panama, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sudan, Suriname, Timor-Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Vanuatu, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 54,500
Number: INT/16/K02
Duration: Three (3) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 4 May 2018
- (229) ***Regional database system promoting programme for small hydropower (SHP) development in Africa***
- Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 9 countries (Burundi, China, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Sudan, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 160,000
Number: INT/16/K03
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 January 2019
- (230) ***Seminar on hydropower development planning for South Asian Countries***

Submitter: National Research Institute for Rural Electrification under the Ministry of Water Resources, based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, China, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 41,060
Number: INT/16/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 22 June 2017

(231) ***Technology transfer on edible mushroom cultivation to Cuba and Nepal***

Submitter: Asia Pacific Edible Mushroom Training Center, based in Fuzhou, Fujian Province, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Cuba and Nepal)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 32,000
Number: INT/16/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 11 August 2023

(232) ***Demonstration and promotion of high yield & high-quality cultivation and advanced processing technology of Spirulina in developing countries***

Submitter: Fujian Provincial Science and Technology Exchange Center with Foreign Countries, based_ in Fuzhou, Fujian Province, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Malaysia, Thailand and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 170,000
Number: INT/16/K06
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2019

(233) ***The successful bamboo development model in China and its implications to Indonesia and Vietnam***

Submitter: China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Indonesia, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/16/K07
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 January 2019

(234) ***Bio hydrogen from wastes of sugar cane, onion and manioc***

Submitter: Regional Faculty Bahia Blanca of the National Technological University, based in Bahia Blanca, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Cuba)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 100,000
Number: INT/16/K08
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 4 August 2021

(235) ***International network of ethnography with children and teenagers***

Submitter: Center for Social Research (CIS) of the Institute for Social and Economic Development (IDES), National Council for Scientific and Technical Research (CONICET), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Colombia and Ecuador)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 57,425
Number: INT/16/K09
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 8 August 2017

(236) ***Distillery yeasts: Survey of quality standards for ethanol and food grade biotechnological industries***

Submitter: Cuban Research Institute for Sugarcane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Industrialization
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Cuba and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 74,000
Number: INT/16/K10
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 18 July 2019

(237) ***Cooperation in science, technology and innovation in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 27 member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$ 27,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/16/K11
Duration: Eight (8) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 March 2017. Unspent balance of US\$ 2,700 reverted to PGTF

(238) ***Relevance of competition and regulatory reforms in the Post-2015 Development Agenda in developing countries***

Submitter: Consumer Unity and Trust Society – Center for International Trade, Economics and Environment (CUTS-CITEE), a non-governmental organization based in Nairobi, Kenya
Subcontractor: same as above

- Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 10 countries (Botswana, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Senegal, United Republic of Tanzania, and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 47,000
Number: INT/16/K12
Duration: Five (5) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 25 January 2016
- (239) ***Workshop on key infrastructure development for rural growth for OIC countries***
- Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA) based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 14 member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) (Afghanistan, Côte d'Ivoire, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Malaysia, Niger, Pakistan, Palestine, Sudan, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkey and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/16/K13
Duration: Three (3) days
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 23 May 2017. Unspent balance of US\$ 4,003 reverted to PGTF
- (240) ***Journal of the Group of 77***
- Submitter: Inter Press Service (IPS) North America, News Agency
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Information exchange
Participating/beneficiary countries: All member countries of the Group of 77
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 30,000
Number: INT/16/K14
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 24 September 2015)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 June 2017
- (241) ***E-commerce Development Programme for SMEs from Developing Countries 2017***
- Submitter: CIFAL – Shanghai International Training Center, based in Shanghai, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Cambodia, China, Cuba and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 47,000
Number: INT/17/K01
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2019
- (242) ***Capacity building on management and utilization of solar energy resource for improving living-condition in rural areas***
- Submitter: Promotion Association for Mountain-River-Lake Regional Sustainable Development, based in Jiangxi province, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, India, Philippines and Sri Lanka)

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/17/K02
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2019

(243) ***Bamboo Development Assessment for Asia and Africa under China's "One Belt and One Road" Initiative***

Submitter: China National Bamboo Research Center (CBRC), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, India, Kenya and Thailand)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 185,100
Number: INT/17/K03
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2019

(244) ***Seminar on Renewable Energy and Off-grid Power System for East African Countries***

Submitter: National Research Institute for Rural Electrification (NRIRE), based in Beijing, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (China, Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda, and United Republic of Tanzania)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 37,000
Number: INT/17/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 23 July 2018

(245) ***Application and Promotion of Plastic Functional Materials in Developing Countries***

Submitter: Fujian Provincial Science and Technology Exchange Center with Foreign Countries, based in Fuzhou, Fujian province, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Indonesia and Malaysia)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 68,000
Number: INT/17/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2019

(246) ***Micro Hydropower Plant Development on Existing Irrigation Canals for Sustainable Socioeconomic Development of Rural Areas: Pilot Projects in Selected Developing Countries***

Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 9 countries (China, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Kenya, Madagascar, Nigeria, Uganda and United Republic of Tanzania)
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 50,000
Number: INT/17/K06

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2019

(247) ***Cooperation for intellectual property and productive transformation in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 27 member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)
PGTF input: US\$ 28,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/17/K07
Duration: Nine (9) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 March 2018

(248) ***Training Program on Entrepreneurship Development through IT for OIC Countries***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 17 member countries of the OIC (Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Mali, Niger, Pakistan, Palestine, Sudan, Turkey, Uganda, and United Arab Emirates)
PGTF input: US\$ 28,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/17/K08
Duration: Three (3) days
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 14 September 2017. Unspent balance of US\$ 1,272 reverted to PGTF

(249) ***Research on economic diversification of land-locked developing countries: Case of Mongolia, Nepal, Bhutan and Paraguay***

Submitter: Government of Mongolia
Subcontractor: International Think Tank (ITT) for Land-locked Developing Countries (LLDCs), based in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Bhutan, Mongolia, Nepal, and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/17/K09
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 5 December 2018

(250) ***A Proposal to Improve the Practically Diagnostic Capacities and Increased Awareness of a Group of Abortive Diseases and Neonatal deaths in Cattle, Sheep and Goats, in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Turkey, Afghanistan, Palestine and Jordan***

Submitter: Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture

- Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Palestine, Tunisia, and Turkey)
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/17/K10
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 20 July 2018
- (251) ***Technical cooperation for the identification and characterization of specific molecular markers to diagnose and control dirotofymosis***
- Submitter: National Research Council of Argentina (CONICET), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: Institute for Biochemical Research of La Plata (INIBIOLP), based in La Plata, Argentina
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 27,000
Other inputs: US\$ 100,000
Number: INT/17/K11
Duration: Two (24) years
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 5 July 2022
- (252) ***Innovative experiences in technology utilization in libraries of Peru, Uruguay and Colombia***
- Submitter: Makaia, a non-governmental organization based in Medellin, Colombia
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Colombia, Peru, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 27,000
Other inputs: US\$ 27,000
Number: INT/17/K12
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 11 September 2017
- (253) ***Effective microorganisms: production and application in agriculture, postharvest fruit and animal husbandry***
- Submitter: Cuban Research Institute on Sugarcane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 27,000
Other inputs: US\$ 38,000
Number: INT/17/K13
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2016)
Completion: Final report submitted on 30 May 2019
- (254) ***A proposal to enhance diagnostic capacities and increased awareness of Rift Valley Fever disease, in cattle, sheep and goats in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Turkey, Afghanistan, Palestine and Jordan***
- Submitter: Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Palestine, Tunisia and Turkey)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 30,000

Number: INT/18/K01

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)

Completion: Final report submitted on 10 December 2019

(255) ***Sufficiency Economy Practices (SEP) in Community-based and economic development (CBED), International training course 2017-2019***

Submitter: Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, Faculty of Economics, Kasetsart University, based in Bangkok, Thailand

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: -20 countries (Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Oman, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Thailand, Timor-Leste, United Republic of Tanzania and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000

Other inputs: US\$ 70,000

Number: INT/18/K02

Duration: Five (5) months

Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)

Completion: Final report submitted on 26 November 2018. Unspent balance of US\$ 7,935 reverted to PGTF

(256) ***Microcredit and Sufficiency Economy Development***

Submitter: Community Development Department, Ministry of Interior of Thailand

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 21 countries (Algeria, Bangladesh, Burundi, Cambodia, Colombia, Ethiopia, Gambia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malawi, Mauritius, Myanmar, Nigeria, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Tajikistan, Thailand, Uganda and Viet Nam)

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 70,000

Number: INT/18/K03

Duration: Two (2) weeks

Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)

Completion: Final report submitted on 26 November 2018. Unspent balance of US\$ 15,638 reverted to PGTF

(257) ***Integrated solutions to Great Lake Basin sustainable development***

Submitter: Promotion Association for Mountain-River-Lake Regional Sustainable Development, based in the Jiangxi province, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Kenya, and United Republic of Tanzania)

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000

Other inputs: US\$ 26,000

Number: INT/18/K04

Duration: One (1) year

Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)

Completion: Final report submitted on 2 August 2021

(258) ***Identify the new business model for African small hydropower development through technical assistance***

Submitter: International Center on small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Ethiopia, Kenya and Nigeria)

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000

Other inputs: US\$ 74,000

Number: INT/18/K05
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 August 2021

(259) ***Accessibility of financial services and the private sector in Africa***

Submitter: China-Africa Business Council, based in Beijing, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Finance
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Madagascar, Mauritius and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 26,000
Other inputs: US\$ 28,000
Number: INT/18/K06
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 15 April 2020

(260) ***Seminar on small hydropower operation and maintenance for Asian countries***

Submitter: National Research Institute for Rural Electrification (NRIRE), Ministry of Water Resources, based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 10 countries (Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mongolia, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 42,150
Number: INT/18/K07
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 30 July 2020

(261) ***Forum for the development of interregional biogas cooperation and capacity building***

Submitter: Biogas Institute (BIOMA), Ministry of Agriculture, based on Chengdu, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 9 countries (Bangladesh, China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 56,000
Number: INT/18/K08
Duration: Five (5) days
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 6 August 2019

(262) ***Development of Se-yeast for nutritional therapies in neurodegenerative diseases (SE-Yeast)***

Submitter: National University of Quilmes, based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba and Ecuador)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 78,000
Number: INT/18/K09
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 29 August 2024

- (263) ***Ecosystem services valuation network for the Gran Chaco region***
- Submitter: National University of Formosa, based in Formosa, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Costa Rica, and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 27,000
Number: INT/18/K10
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 4 August 2021
- (264) ***Systematization of experiences that drive the permanence, reentry and completion of secondary education in Argentina, Uruguay and Brazil***
- Submitter: Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences (FLACSO), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,613
Number: INT/18/K11
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 9 March 2020
- (265) ***Integrated community risk management of socio-environmental emergencies (with emphasis on flash flooding) in the southeastern sector of the Plata basin***
- Submitter: Pro Diversitas Argentina, a non-governmental organization based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 28,538
Number: INT/18/K13
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 23 August 2021
- (266) ***Prioritization of Aedes Aegypti control interventions and identification of information needs among Latin American decision-makers***
- Submitter: Institute for Clinical Effectiveness and Health Policy (IECS), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 7 countries (Argentina, Colombia, Cuba, Honduras, Panama, Paraguay, and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000
Other inputs: US\$ 39,000
Number: INT/18/K14
Duration: Four (4) months
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 5 July 2022

- (267) ***Epidemiology of brucellosis on the livestock, wildlife and human interface: Improving the diagnostic capacities of brucellosis disease, enhance the control strategies with social emphasis on farmers' awareness in the Bwindi-Mgahinga, Queen Elizabeth and Murchison falls conservation areas in Uganda, Parc National des Virunga (Democratic Republic of the Congo) and Nimule wildlife conservation area, in South Sudan***

Submitter: National Livestock Resources Research Institute, National Agricultural Research Organization (NARO), based in Tororo, Uganda

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Democratic Republic of the Congo, South Sudan and Uganda)

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 49,121

Number: INT/18/K15

Duration: Eighteen (18) months

Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)

Completion: Final report submitted on 14 July 2022.

- (268) ***Training programme on technology entrepreneurship advocacy and management of business incubation and technology parks***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA), based in Karachi, Pakistan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 12 countries members of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) (Guinea, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Mali, Morocco, Pakistan, Palestine, Sudan, Tajikistan, Turkey and Uganda)

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Number: INT/18/K16

Duration: Three (3) days

Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)

Completion: Final report submitted on 29 May 2018

- (269) ***Strengthening cooperation in trade infrastructure in Latin America and the Caribbean: Towards greater integration into value chains***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 26 member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela)

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Number: INT/18/K17

Duration: Five (5) months

Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)

Completion: Final report submitted on 29 March 2019

- (270) ***Use of plant growth promoting bacteria as biofertilizers to increase the productivity of sugarcane and other bioenergy crops***

Submitter: Cuban Research Institute on Sugarcane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba and Ecuador)

PGTF input: US\$ 23,000

Other inputs: US\$ 76,000
Number: INT/18/K19
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 16 June 2021

(271) ***Development of sustainable methodologies for sugarcane phytosanitary management and biofertilization***

Submitter: Sugarcane Research Institute (INICA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Cuba)
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 45,000
Number: INT/18/K20
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)
Completion: Final report submitted on 19 March 2020

(272) ***Research on the existing small hydropower (SHP) standards for development of SHP international standards to facilitate orderly and healthy development of SHP in developing countries: International SHP standard framework design***

Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Madagascar, Rwanda, and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/19/K03
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 August 2021.

(273) ***Public-private partnership livelihood projects in Africa: policy and performance***

Submitter: China-Africa Business Council, based in Beijing, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Kenya, Rwanda and South Africa)
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 25,000
Number: INT/19/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)
Completion: Final report submitted on 8 February 2021.

(274) ***Informatization and urban development for developing countries***

Submitter: CIFAL Shanghai Training Center, based in Shanghai, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 15 countries (Bangladesh, China, Cuba, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Samoa, Suriname, Timor-Leste, Uruguay, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$ 27,000
Other inputs: US\$ 57,000
Number: INT/19/K05
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)

Completion: Final report submitted on 2 August 2021

- (275) ***Workshop on promoting green growth and technology in food-water and energy nexus for countries members of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC): challenges and opportunities***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA), based in Karachi, Pakistan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Environment

Participating/beneficiary countries: 14 member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) (Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Palestine, Pakistan, and Tajikistan)

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Number: INT/19/K06

Duration: Three (3) days

Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)

Completion: Final report submitted on 17 January 2020. Unspent balance of US\$ 7,924 reverted to PGTF

- (276) ***Energy utilization of citrus cultures residual biomass***

Submitter: Experimental Agroindustry Station *Obispo Colombres* (EEAOC), based in Tucuman, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Cuba)

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 63,775

Number: INT/19/K07

Duration: Eighteen (18) months

Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)

Completion: Final report submitted on 29 August 2022

- (277) ***Digital terrestrial television applied to the improvement of developing countries peoples: Argentina, Brazil and Cuba***

Submitter: National University of La Plata, based in La Plata, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Cuba)

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 70,200

Number: INT/19/K08

Duration: Eighteen (18) months

Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)

Completion: Final report submitted on 20 December 2023.

- (278) ***New challenges for the 21st century university: increase of enrolment, reduction of drop-out and digital literacy***

Submitter: Technology School of the National University of the Northwest of the Buenos Aires province (UNNOBA), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Honduras, Paraguay and Spain, and members of the Latin American Virtual Campus – CAVILA – including Brazil, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Portugal and Panama)

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

- Other inputs: US\$ 28,000
Number: INT/19/K10
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)
Completed: Final report submitted on 4 March 2024.
- (279) ***Novel markers for early detection and treatment follow-up of echinococcosis: analysis of microRNA and protein secretion mechanisms***
- Submitter: Research Institute on Microbiology and Medical Parasitology (IMPaM), based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 28,000
Other inputs: US\$ 100,000
Number: INT/19/K11
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)
Completion: Final report submitted on 14 June 2024.
- (280) ***Irrigation and energy savings in 30° South latitudes: solar energy for vineyards in Argentina, Chile and South Africa***
- Submitter: Experimental Agricultural Station (EEA) INTA, based in Lujan de Cuyo, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Chile and South Africa)
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000
Other inputs: US\$ 59,820
Number: INT/19/K12
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)
Completion: Final report submitted on 19 December 2023
- (281) ***South-South cooperation opportunities towards green fiscal policies: emerging evidence and lessons learned from South America and developed countries***
- Submitter: South American Network on Applied Economics (Foundation Mercosur Network of Economic Research), based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 30,000
Number: INT/19/K13
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)
Completion: Final report submitted on 19 June 2025
- (282) ***A proposal to enhance diagnostic capacities of a group of neurological diseases in animals with emphasis on their pathology and epidemiology in Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Tunisia, and Turkey***
- Submitter: Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 6 countries (Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Tunisia and Türkiye)

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 32,000
Number: INT/19/K14
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 May 2025.

(283) ***Use of inhibitors tolerant yeasts in agro-industrial wastes to produce microbial cells with high nutritional value***

Submitter: The Cuban Research Institute on Sugarcane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (China, Cuba and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 27,000
Other inputs: US\$ 75,000
Number: INT/19/K15
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)
Completion: Final report submitted on 19 January 2023

(284) ***Reducing Arsenic Exposure from Food and Water in Developing Countries – A Roadmap for Technological Solutions for the Future***

Submitter: Center for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries (NAM S&T Center) based in Delhi, India
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 13 countries (Bhutan, Egypt, India, Islamic Republic of Iran, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Nigeria, Palestine, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Togo, and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 65,000
Number: INT/20/K01
Duration: Three (3) years
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 13 May 2024

(285) ***Organizing a training on technical guidelines for development of international standards for small hydropower plants***

Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries:—13 countries (Burundi, China, Ethiopia, Federated States of Micronesia, India, Madagascar, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 26,000
Other inputs: US\$ 54,000
Number: INT/20/K03
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 May 2024.

(286) ***Capacity-Building for the Industry Chain Development of Tilapia in Tanzania, Kenya and Uganda***

Submitter: Freshwater Fisheries Research Center, under the Academy of Fishery Sciences, based in Jiangsu, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Kenya, Uganda and United Republic of Tanzania)

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000
Other inputs: US\$ 48,250
Number: INT/20/K04
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 June 2024

- (287) ***A proposal for capacities' development and strengthening in the educational communities vis-à-vis the management of invasive species in aquifer systems. The Argentinian, Mexican and South African experience in biological control and biodiversity***

Submitter: National University of Hurlingham, based in Hurlingham, Buenos Aires province, Argentina,
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Environment-related
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Mexico, and South Africa)
PGTF input: US\$ 20,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/20/K09
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 23 May 2025.

- (288) ***Innovative mechanisms for South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based on Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 26-member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela).
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 46,000
Number: INT/20/K11
Duration: Ten (10) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 May 2025.

- (289) ***A proposal to enhance the diagnostic capacities and control of a Group of Chronic Respiratory Diseases in Sheep and Goats with Emphasis on Maedi Pathology and Epidemiology in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Afghanistan and Jordan***

Submitter: Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan and Tunisia)
PGTF input: US\$ 28,000
Other inputs: US\$ 28,000
Number: INT/20/K12
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 28 December 2023

- (290) ***Exchange of technological services for the development of the wood and furniture industries in South America***

- Submitter: Technological Innovation Center of Wood (CITE Madera) under the Institute of Production, based in Lima, Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Industrialization
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 18,720
Other inputs: US\$ 22,770
Number: INT/20/K14
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 24 June 2024
- (291) ***Contribution of the microbial diversity of the soil to the efficiency of fertilization of sugarcane in a scenario of climate change***
- Submitter: Agricultural Producers Service Directorate (*Dirección de atención a productores agropecuarios*) of the AZCUBA Group, based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Chile, Cuba, and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 20,000
Other inputs: US\$ 43,000
Number: INT/20/K15
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 5 October 2022
- (292) ***Bioactive molecules applied to sugarcane and microorganisms associated to its cultivation***
- Submitter: Sugarcane Research Institute (*Instituto de Investigaciones de la Caña de Azúcar – INICA*), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Cuba, and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 20,000
Other inputs: US\$ 65,000
Number: INT/20/K16
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 22 May 2025
- (293) ***Cooperation and inter American integration for the development of management alternatives for the citrus huanglongbig (greening) disease***
- Submitter: Research Institute on Tropical Fruticulture (IIFT), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Colombia, and Cuba)
PGTF input: US\$ 20,000
Other inputs: US\$ 50,650
Number: INT/20/K17
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 13 October 2023.
- (294) ***Cooperative action in recycling and reuse of olive mill waste for food and agriculture production***
- Submitter: Al-Huson College of the Al-Balqa Applied University, based in Irbid, Jordan

Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Egypt, Jordan, and Tunisia)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 32,000
Number: INT/21/K03
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2019)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 May 2024.

(295) ***Seminar on the application of solar power technology for Asian countries***

Submitter: National Research Institute for Rural Electrification (NRIRE), Ministry of Water Resources, based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 11 countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand, Uzbekistan, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 33,500
Number: INT/21/K04
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Completion: Final report submitted on 10 April 2023

(296) ***Enhancing capacities in India, Myanmar, Nepal, and China to achieve sustainable agriculture and improved livelihoods through the development of mushroom farming***

Submitter: Center for Mountain Futures (CMF) of the Kunming Institute of Botany, based in Kunming, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, India, Myanmar, and Nepal)
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 27,000
Number: INT/21/K05
Duration: Six (6) months
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 July 2025

(297) ***Case studies on technical guidelines for development of international small hydropower (SHP) standards for knowledge dissemination and standard application***

Submitter: International Center on Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Nigeria, United Republic of Tanzania and Zambia)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 76,000
Number: INT/21/K06
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 May 2024.

(298) ***Network of technological innovation in the study of parasitic diseases caused by helminths: Genetic and genomic characterization with a focus on human and animal health***

Submitter: IB3, Institute of Biosciences, Biotechnology, and Translational Biology, Department

- of Physiology and Molecular and Cellular Biology, Faculty of Exact and Natural Sciences, Buenos Aires University, based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Brazil, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 100,000
Number: INT/21/K09
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 June 2025
- (299) ***Prospecting of biofertilizers from Latin America rural and peri-urban areas for strengthening family farming***
Submitter: Multidisciplinary Center for Technological Research of the Asuncion National University, based in San Lorenzo, Paraguay
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Cuba, Nicaragua and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 65,000
Number: INT/21/K11
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Completion: Final report submitted on 15 February 2023
- (300) ***A proposal to enhance the diagnostic capacities, education, awareness and control of coronavirus disease (Covid-19) and mycobacterium tuberculosis in Humans and cattle with emphasis on pathology and epidemiology in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Afghanistan and Jordan***
Submitter: Department of Pathology and Public Health, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST), based in Irbid, Jordan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, and Tunisia)
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 25,000
Number: INT/21/K13
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Completion: Final report submitted on 20 June 2024.
- (301) ***Capacity building on bioinformatic and genomic tools for biodiversity studies in Latin America***
Submitter: Center of Technological, Biomedical and Environmental Research (CITBM) of the San Marcos National Mayor University, based in Lima, Peru
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Chile, and Peru)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 52,000
Number: INT/21/K14
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Completion: Final report submitted on 2 June 2025.
- (302) ***Implementation of participatory methods which guarantee the prompt insertion of abiotic stress-tolerant genotypes and appropriate fertilization technologies in productive areas***

Submitter: National Institute of Agricultural Sciences (INCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Cuba, Panama, and Paraguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 105,000
Number: INT/21/K15
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Completion: Final report submitted on 16 August 2023

(303) ***Development of markers for tests of endurance to sugarcane plagues***

Submitter: Sugarcane Research Institute (ICA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Chile, and Cuba)
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 47,797
Number: INT/21/K16
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)
Completion: Final report submitted on 31 March 2023

(304) ***Rethinking climate change mitigation strategies by improving phenological adaptability and tolerance to abiotic stresses in temperate crops***

Submitter: School of Agriculture of the Buenos Aires University, based in Buenos Aires, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Chile, and Uruguay)
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000
Other inputs: US\$ 50,000
Number: INT/22/K01
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)
Completion: Final report submitted on 15 January 2025.

(305) ***Incubation platform for entrepreneurship and collaborative networks of popular, social and solidarity economy with a territorial focus – INCUBEPS***

Submitter: Quilmes National University, based in Bernal, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, and Nicaragua)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 70,000
Number: INT/22/K02
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 October 2025

(306) ***Demonstration and promotion of high-efficiency rapid propagation technology of plant tissue culture in developing countries***

Submitter: Fujian Science, Technology and Culture Association, based in Fuzhou, Fujian province, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology

- Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Egypt, Nigeria, and Pakistan)
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Other inputs: US\$ 165,000
Number: INT/22/K03
Duration: Twenty-two (22) months
Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)
Completion: Final report submitted on 3 February 2026
- (307) ***Beyond Covid-19: How digital health promotes health system development in Africa (Uganda, Angola, and Ethiopia)***
- Submitter: China-Africa Business Council, based in Beijing, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Health
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Angola, China, Ethiopia, and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Number: INT/22/K04
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)
Completion: Final report submitted on 21 May 2024
- (308) ***Quinoa production for food security under drought conditions in Central Highland, Viet Nam***
- Submitter: Center of Agricultural Innovation, Viet Nam National University of Agriculture, based in Hanoi, Viet Nam
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Lao People's Democratic Republic, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,334
Number: INT/22/K05
Duration: One (1) year
Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)
Completion: Final report submitted on 10 October 2024
- (309) ***Obtaining derivatives of steroidal compounds for use in veterinary drugs***
- Submitter: Central University "Marta Abreu", based in Santa Clara, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Brazil, Colombia, and Cuba)
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/22/K07
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)
Completion: Final report submitted on 17 January 2025.
- (310) ***Technical cooperation for research and development and implementation of railway inspection and monitoring technology***
- Submitter: Thailand Institute of Scientific and Technological Research (TISTR), Railway Transportation System Testing Center (RTTC), based in Pathun Thani, Thailand
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand)
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000
Other inputs: US\$ 65,000

Number: INT/22/K08

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)

Completion: Final report submitted on 18 March 2025

(311) ***Production of isolated sugarcane buds as a strategy for the development of the seed chain in Cuba***

Submitter: Territorial Station for Sugarcane Research “*Oriente Sur*”, based in Santiago de Cuba, Cuba

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, and India)

PGTF input: US\$ 34,000

Other inputs: US\$ 43,648

Number: INT/22/K09

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 45th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 November 2021)

Completion: Final report submitted on 14 May 2025.

(312) ***Workshop on digital transformation for SMEs***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA), based in Karahi, Pakistan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 13 countries member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) (Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, Egypt, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Nigeria, Pakistan, Senegal, South Africa, and Uganda)

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 37,000

Number: INT/23/K05

Duration: Four (4) months

Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)

Completion: Final report submitted on 10 November 2023.

(313) ***Digital application capability building for developing countries***

Submitter: CIFAL, Shanghai International Training Center, based in Shanghai, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 17 countries (Azerbaijan, Botswana, Cambodia, China, Ghana, Iraq, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Malawi, Mongolia, Nepal, Nigeria, Samoa, United Republic of Tanzania, Uzbekistan, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)

PGTF input: US\$ 29,000

Other inputs: US\$ 33,500

Number: INT/23/K06

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)

Completion: Final report submitted on 5 February 2026

(314) ***Capacity building on renewable energy development in the post epidemic era***

Submitter: Promotion Association for Mountain-River-Lake Regional Sustainable Development (MRLSD), based in Nanchang City, Jiangxi province, China

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Energy

Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Cambodia, China, India, and Sri Lanka)

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 30,000

Number: INT/23/K07

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 May 2026

(315) ***Development and application of solar pumping irrigation technology for the ASEAN countries***

Submitter: National Research Institute for Rural Electrification (NRIRE), under the Ministry of Water Resources, based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 9 countries (Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand, and Viet Nam)
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000
Other inputs: US\$ 38,900
Number: INT/23/K08
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)
Completion: Final report submitted on 29 April 2025

(316) ***Promoting the application and demonstration of multi-energy complementary systems in developing countries through a training program***

Submitter: International Center of Small Hydropower (ICSHP), based in Hangzhou, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (China, Kenya, Madagascar, and Mongolia)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 50,000
Number: INT/23/K09
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)
Completion: Final report submitted on 27 May 2026

(317) ***Production of enzymatic biocatalysts (α-amylase, dextranase) from renewable sugarcane by-products using *Pichia pastoris****

Submitter: Basic Business Unit (UEB) *Bioprocesos Cuba-10*, based in Quiyican, Mayabeque province, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technology
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Costa Rica, Cuba, and Mexico)
PGTF input: US\$ 28,000
Other inputs: US\$ 47,797
Number: INT/23/K12
Duration: Twenty-four (24) months
Approval: 46th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 23 September 2022)
Completion: Final report submitted on 22 October 2025.

(318) ***High-yield vegetable cultivation technology training and promotion in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Angola***

Submitter: The China-Africa Innovation Cooperation Center, based in Wuhan, Hubei province, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 4 countries (Angola, China, Mozambique and Zimbabwe)
PGTF input: US\$ 29,000
Other inputs: US\$ 31,000
Number: INT/24/K01
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)
Completion: Final report submitted on 3 February 2026

(319) ***Training course on biogas plant design and construction***

Submitter: The Biogas Institute (BIOMA) under the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs of China, based in Chengdu, China
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Energy
Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Argentina, China; Philippines, Samoa and Uganda)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 30,000
Number: INT/24/K02
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)
Completion: Final report submitted on 11 May 2026.

(320) ***Capacity building for measuring, assessing and evaluating South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC): a contribution to the institutionalization and standardization of information to increase the results of cooperation in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Submitter: Permanent Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas, Venezuela
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
Participating/beneficiary countries: 23-member countries of SELA (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Colombia, Chile, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela).
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 46,000
Number: INT/24/K06
Duration: Eighteen (18) months
Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)
Completion: Final report submitted on 1 July 2025

(321) ***Entrepreneurship for micro, small and medium enterprises' leaders - Finance***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA), based in Karachi, Pakistan
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Finance
Participating/beneficiary countries: 10-member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (Bahrain, Djibouti, Egypt, Jordan, Mauritania, Oman, Palestine, Senegal, Somalia, and United Arab Emirates)
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/24/K07
Duration: Two (2) days
Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)
Completion: Final report submitted on 10 December 2024.

(322) ***Characterization as biological pesticides of isolates of the symbiotic complex constituted by the *Photorhabdus luminescens* bacteria and the *Heterorhabditis amazonensis* nematode***

Submitter: Institute for Sugarcane Research (INICA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Argentina, Costa Rica, and Cuba)
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 66,000
Number: INT/24/K11
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2023)

Completion: Final report submitted on 22 April 2026

(323) ***Workshop on Agri-tech: the way to achieve sustainable agriculture***

Submitter: Islamic Chamber of Commerce & Development (ICCD), based in Karachi, Pakistan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

Participating/beneficiary countries: -5 member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) (Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Egypt, Guinea, and Türkiye)

PGTF input: US\$ 22,000

Other inputs: US\$ 22,000

Number: INT/25/K04

Duration: Two (2) days

Approval: 48th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2024)

Completion: Final report submitted on 23 June 2025.

B. **PROJECTS CANCELLED AND ALLOCATED FUNDS REVERTED TO PGTF**

No projects were cancelled since the previous meeting of the Committee of Experts. Total number of projects not implemented since the launching of PGTF operations amounts to thirty-six (36), as follows:

(1) ***Interregional Trade Financing Facility***

Submitter: UNCTAD

Priority area: Trade

PGTF input: US\$40,000

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987)

Number: INT/88/K02

Cancellation decision: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 1989).

Reason: A similar project was funded by UNCTAD.

(2) ***Facilitating the implementation of the Multisectoral Information Network (MSIN)***

Submitter: Technological Information Pilot System (TIPS)/Inter Press Service (IPS)

Priority area: Information exchange

PGTF input: US\$15,000

Approval: IFCC-VI (Havana, 7-12 September 1987)

Number: INT/88/K05

Cancellation decision: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 3 October 1990).

Reason: The project was not implemented three years after approval.

(3) ***Action Committee on Inter-enterprise Cooperation***

Submitter: International Center for Public Enterprises (ICPE) and Research Center for Cooperation with Developing Countries (RCCDC) of former Yugoslavia (Slovenia)

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Approval: 12th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28-30 September 1988)

Number: INT/89/K02

Cancellation decision: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1 October 1992).

Reason: No matching contribution were received from project sponsors by the established deadline of 31 December 1989

(4) ***Monetary Cooperation Fund of the Non-Aligned and other Developing Countries***

Submitter: Government of Madagascar

Priority area: Finance

PGTF input: US\$30,000

Duration: To be determined

Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

Number: INT/89/K08

Cancellation decision: 17th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, September 1993).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of June 1994

(5) ***The Caribbean into the Twenty-first Century***

Submitter: The Nation Organization of Barbados/Eastern Caribbean Research Center (ECRC) of Saint Lucia

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

PGTF input: US\$50,000

Duration: Four days

Approval: 13th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 1989)

Number: INT/89/K11

Cancellation decision: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 1994).

Reason: Implementing organization failed to deliver substantive and financial reports on the implementation of the project. In 1997, the Government of Saint Lucia refunded disbursed resources

(6) ***Upgrading of veterinary field health services through development of an animal disease information center***

Submitter: Government of Malaysia

Priority area: Food and agriculture

PGTF input: US\$140,000

Number: INT/90/K09

Duration: 18 months

Approval: 14th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1-2 October 1990)

Cancellation decision: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 1994).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 1994

(7) ***Public Enterprises Rationalization Project***

Submitter: Government of Saint Lucia

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

PGTF input: US\$60,800

Duration: Six months

Approval: 15th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1 October 1991)

Number: INT/91/K02

Cancellation decision: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 1994).

Reason: Implementing organization failed to deliver substantive and financial reports on the implementation of the project. In 1997, the Government of Saint Lucia refunded disbursed resources

(8) ***Study of Production and Distribution of Pasture Seeds and Legumes to Smallholder Dairy Farmers***

Submitter: Southern African Development Community (SADC), based in Gaborone, Botswana

Priority area: Food and agriculture

PGTF input: US\$90,000

Number: INT/92/K07

Duration: 16 months

Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1 October 1992)

Cancellation decision: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 1997).

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 1996.

(9) ***Development of Agriculture Database for ASEAN***

Submitter: Government of Malaysia

Priority area: Food and agriculture

PGTF input: US\$94,000

Number: INT/93/K04

- Duration: Two years
Approval: 16th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 1 October 1992)
Cancellation decision: 18th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 1994).
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 1994.
- (10) ***Feasibility study for establishing a Central American hydrographic cooperation programme***
- Submitter: Government of Panama
Subcontractor: Instituto Geográfico Nacional Tommy Guardia from Panama
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
PGTF input: US\$38,500
Number: INT/93/K06
Duration: 4 months
Approval: IFCC-VIII (Panama City, 30 August-3 September 1993)
Cancellation decision: 21st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 1997).
Reason: The project was not implemented by the subcontracting agency. In 2000, the Government of Panama refunded disbursed funds.
- (11) ***Network of advisory centers for small and medium-sized enterprises in Mercosur***
- Submitter: Fundación Banco Mayo from Argentina
Priority area: Industrialization
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Number: INT/98/K01
Duration: 6 months
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Cancellation decision: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 15 November 2001).
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2001.
- (12) ***Building technical competence in conformity assessment in the Latin American region***
- Submitter: National Institute of Metrology, Standardization and Industrial Quality of Brazil
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
PGTF input: US\$50,000
Number: INT/98/K05
Duration: 2 years
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Cancellation decision: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 22 September 2006).
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2006.
- (13) ***A trading/industrial cooperation scheme to promote intra-industry trade in ASEAN***
- Submitter: ASEAN Secretariat, based in Jakarta, Indonesia
Priority area: Trade
PGTF input: US\$100,000
Number: INT/98/K13
Duration: 7 months
Approval: 22nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 1998)
Cancellation decision: Not required.
Reason: ASEAN withdrew the project in December 2000, following a decision by the Economic Affairs Ministers; a similar activity was carried out by ASEAN in the context of a wider project
- (14) ***Setting up a common framework for managing shared island fisheries resources in the COMESA region***
- Submitter: Secretariat of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), based in Lusaka, Zambia
Priority area: Food and Agriculture
PGTF input: US\$38,000
Number: INT/99/K04

- Duration: Two years.
Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 24 September 1999)
Cancellation decision: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2001
- (15) ***First Windward Islands exposition on the information technology sector***
- Submitter: National Development Corporation (NDC) of Saint Lucia
Priority area: Technology
PGTF input: US\$35,000
Number: INT/99/K06
Duration: Six months.
Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 24 September 1999)
Cancellation decision: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 15 November 2001).
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2001.
- (16) ***Human resource development and training in international trade for the member states of the Communauté Economique et Monétaire de l'Afrique Centrale (CEMAC)***
- Submitter: Executive Secretariat of the Communauté Economique et Monétaire de L'Afrique Centrale (CEMAC) based in Bangui, Central African Republic
Priority area: Trade
PGTF input: US\$22,000
Number: INT/99/K08
Duration: Two years.
Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 24 September 1999)
Cancellation decision: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 19 September 2002).
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2002.
- (17) ***Support to the implementation of the Bali Plan of Action of the Group of 77***
- Submitter: Office of the Chairman of the Group of 77 in New York
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Number: INT/99/K11
Duration: One year.
Approval: 23rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 24 September 1999)
Cancellation decision: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 19 September 2002).
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2002.
- (18) ***Multilateral Trading System Training Centre***
- Submitter: Institute of Diplomatic Studies (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Egypt).
Priority area: Trade
PGTF input: US\$86,000
Number: INT/01/K08
Duration: 2 years.
Approval: 25th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 15 November 2001)
Cancellation decision: 27th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 2003).
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2003.
- (19) ***Reviving Low-Cost Mud Adobe House for Poor Urban and Rural Communities***
- Submitter: Royal Scientific Society from Jordan
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
PGTF input: US\$40,000
Number: INT/03/K12
Duration: Three (3) years
Approval: 26th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 19 September 2002)

Cancellation decision: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 2004).
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2004.

(20) ***Development of a technological package aimed at developing opto-mechanical industries in Latin America***

Submitter: Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (Pontifical Catholic University of Peru)
based in Lima, Peru

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technology

Participating/beneficiary countries: 5 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Mexico and Peru)

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Number: INT/05/K04

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Cancellation decision: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 2012)

Reason: The project was only partially implemented (30% progress). The project was terminated in 2012 following expiration of the agreement between the Government of Peru and the sub-contractor and suspension of project activities for more than two years. Unspent balance of US\$ 25,302 reverted to PGTF

(21) ***Technical studies for the improvement of the In-Guezam (Algeria)-Arlit (Niger) section of the trans-Saharan road***

Submitter: Ministry of Public Works of Algeria

Subcontractor: SAETI, an engineering company from Algeria in association with the company *Art et Genie* from Niger

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Number: INT/05/K07

Duration: One year

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Cancellation decision: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 July 2011

(22) ***Development and integration of the International Offices of the Ministries of health of South America***

Submitter: Government of Brazil

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

PGTF input: US\$18,200

Number: INT/05/K08

Duration: Four (4) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Cancellation decision: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 27 September 2007)

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2007.

(23) ***Extension course on Technological Innovation Management***

Submitter: The Brazilian Association of Technological Research Institutions (ABIPTI), based in Brasilia, Brazil

Priority area: Technology

PGTF input: US\$24,500

Number: INT/05/K09

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Cancellation decision: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 27 September 2007)

Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2007.

(24) ***Deployment of information retrieval systems towards Mercosur integration on WTO information related to technical barriers to trade***

- Submitter: National Institute on Metrology, Standardization and Industrial Quality (INMETRO), from Brazil
Subcontractor: Instituto Stela, an NGO based in Brazil
Priority area: Trade
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Number: INT/07/K02
Duration: Seventeen (17) months
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Cancellation decision: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 22 September 2011)
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2011
- (25) ***Environmentally friendly integrated production of sugar and by-products***
- Submitter: The National University of Tucuman based in Tucuman, Argentina
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Industrialization
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Number: INT/07/K09
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 30th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 22 September 2006)
Cancellation decision: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Reason: On 6 January 2014, the sub-contractor informed that it was not possible to implement the project since the other participating countries were not able to carry the project activities assigned to them.
- (26) ***Training on the development and application of natural high-priced substances in developing countries***
- Submitter: National Coordinating Committee for UNDP of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
PGTF input: US\$ 36,000
Number: INT/08/K01
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 31st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 27 September 2007)
Cancellation decision: 34th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 2010)
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 30 June 2011
- (27) ***Research capacity building in higher education institutions in Southern Africa***
- Submitter: National University of Science and Technology (NUST), based in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Number: INT/09/K01
Duration: Two (2) years
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Cancellation decision: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 2014)
Reason: Approved allocation had been available since 2011, but no funds were withdrawn. On 18 July 2014, the UNDP country office in Zimbabwe informed that the sub-contractor indicated that it was no longer pursuing the project
- (28) ***Decontamination of distillery slops by microbial protein propagation (DDS/MPP)***
- Submitter: Cuban Institute for Research on Sugar Cane By-Products (ICIDCA), based in Havana, Cuba
Subcontractor: same as above
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Number: INT/09/K07
Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Cancellation decision: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 December 2011

(29) ***Improvement in the quality of postal network of the Andean countries***

Submitter: Postal Union of the Americas, Spain and Portugal (PUASP), based in Montevideo, Uruguay
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
PGTF input: US\$ 19,000
Number: INT/09/K12
Duration: Four (4) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Cancellation decision: 35th Annual Ministerial of the G-77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Reason: The UNDP country office in Uruguay confirmed on 13 July 2012 that the project had been inactive for more than two years and was financially closed. Funds disbursed in 2009 were reimbursed in 2010

(30) ***Market analysis and feasibility of establishing a competitive anthurium industry in the Caribbean***

Submitter: Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat, based in Georgetown, Guyana
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Food and agriculture
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Number: INT/09/K13
Duration: Eight (8) months
Approval: 32nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2008)
Cancellation decision: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 23 September 2011)
Reason: The project was not implemented by the established deadline of 31 July 2011

(31) ***Capacity building on utilization of satellite remote sensing and modeling climate change in developing countries***

Submitter: Mariano Marcos State University, based in Ilocos Norte, Philippines
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Number: INT/10/K12
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Cancellation decision: 39th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 30 September 2015)
Reason: Project implementation was not initiated five years after project approval

(32) ***Strengthening the framework of the Caribbean laboratory accreditation scheme by training of experts***

Submitter: Trinidad and Tobago Laboratory Accreditation Service (TTLABS)
Subcontractor: same as above
Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries
PGTF input: US\$ 27,000
Number: INT/10/K13
Duration: Twelve (12) months
Approval: 33rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 25 September 2009)
Cancellation decision: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 2012)
Reason: In April 2012 a regional accreditation mechanism was established in CARICOM, which would have the responsibility of developing capacities in accreditation of laboratories in lieu of the national institutions.

(33) ***Vector-borne disease control by community participation and natural products in rural environments: one tool, three cultures***

Submitter: National Institute of Tropical Medicine, based in Buenos Aires, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Health

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Number: INT/12/K14

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 35th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 23 September 2011)

Cancellation decision: 40th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 23 September 2016)

Reason: On 18 July 2016, the UNDP country office in Argentina informed that the sub-contractor had not been able to open an institutional bank account to receive PGTF contribution and, in consultation with the Government of Argentina, requested that the project be cancelled

(34) ***Technical cooperation project among Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru for the eradication of child labor in garbage dumps***

Submitter: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

PGTF input: US\$ 28,000

Number: INT/13/K06

Duration: Six (6) months

Approval: 36th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 28 September 2012)

Cancellation decision: 38th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 2014)

Reason: The beneficiaries informed that they were not able to implement the project.

(35) ***Improving Parliamentarians Capacity on Environmental Legislations with Emphasis on Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) in Algeria, Palestine and Jordan***

Submitter: Jordan Society for Thought and Dialogue (JSTD), based in Irbid, Jordan

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Technical cooperation among developing countries

Participating/beneficiary countries: 3 countries (Algeria, Jordan and Palestine)

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Number: INT/14/K02

Duration: Ten (10) months

Approval: 37th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 26 September 2013)

Cancellation decision: 43rd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 27 September 2019)

Reason: Five (5) years elapsed since the approval of the project and there were no prospects that the project would be implemented

(36) ***Capacity strengthening in the field of llama production in Argentina, Bolivia and Peru***

Submitter: La Molina National Agrarian University, based in Lima, Peru

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

PGTF input: US\$ 34,690

Number: INT/14/K08

Duration: Twelve (12) months

Approval: 37th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 26 September 2013)

Cancellation decision: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 22 September 2017)

Reason: Project implementation has not started for almost four (4) years after approval. The UNDP country office confirmed that the implementing institution was not able or willing to implement the project.

(37) ***Improving the efficiency of sheep reproduction using laparoscopic artificial insemination emphasizing to train sheep farmers, veterinary students and practitioners of Iran, Turkey and Pakistan***

Submitter: Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Tabriz, based in Tabriz, Islamic Republic of Iran

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and agriculture

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Number: INT/18/K18

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 41st Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 22 September 2017)

Cancellation decision: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 22 September 2023)

Reason: Six (6) years elapsed since the approval of the project and there were no prospects that the project would be implemented

- (38) ***Analysis of endophytic fungal entomopathogens from wheat and wild grasses towards microbial control of Sunn pest: Eurygaster integriceps puton (Hemiptera: Scutelleridae)***

Submitter: Agriculture Faculty of the University of Tabriz, based in Tabriz, Islamic Republic of Iran

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Food and Agriculture

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Number: INT/19/K02

Duration: Twenty-four (24) months

Approval: 42nd Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 27 September 2018)

Cancellation decision: 47th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, 22 September 2023)

Reason: Five (5) years elapsed since the approval of the project and there were no prospects that the project would be implemented

- (39) ***Innovative designs for strengthening the public health and related ecosystem based on exponential technologies***

Submitter: National University Arturo Jauretche, based in Florencio Varela, Buenos Aires province, Argentina

Subcontractor: same as above

Priority area: Health

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Number: INT/21/K07

Duration: Eighteen (18) months

Approval: 44th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 12 November 2020)

Cancellation decision: To be confirmed by the 50th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the G-77 (New York, September 2026)

Reason: On 3 November 2025, the Argentina Country Office reported that the project could not be implemented

SURVEY OF THE IMPACT OF PGTF

The Committee recommended at its twelfth meeting in 1997 to carry out a survey of the impact and benefits of the projects funded by the PGTF with a view to supporting the promotion of the Fund. So far, the Executive Secretariat of the Group of 77 has received information on 272 of the 323 PGTF-supported projects that have been completed. Further reports are expected so as to be able to prepare a comprehensive assessment of the impact of PGTF since the launching of its operations in 1986. A brief summary for each completed project is provided below:

(1-3) ***Group of 77 Information Bulletin; and ECDC/TCDC Information support to the Group of 77 Chapters***

Number: INT/88/K01; INT/93/K02 and INT/95/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 109,520; 51,120; and 75,120 respectively

Other inputs (US\$): 68,400; 45,600; and 45,600 respectively

Date of implementation: 1988-1991; 1993-1994; and 1995-2007 respectively

Impact: Established an important communication link between the various G-77 chapters. It also helped to disseminate the views of the G-77 to a wider audience.

(4) ***Technical Co-operation among SELA member States in artificial insemination and embryo transplants***

Number: INT/89/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 83,700

Other inputs (US\$): 202,000

Date of implementation: 1989-1993

Impact: The project created a network of institutions that introduced or improved artificial insemination and embryo transplant procedures. Outstanding results have been achieved in Cuba, Chile, Uruguay and Brazil. Development of these biotechnologies in the region is significant and their use is an everyday occurrence today.

(5) ***Export promotion and cooperation in favor of less developed countries within the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)***

Number: INT/89/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 120,000

Other inputs (US\$): 107,971

Date of implementation: 1991-1992

Impact: Additional exports of US\$3 million through support to 80 small and medium size enterprises and implementation of 33 export promotion activities, benefiting directly and indirectly over 4,200 workers

(6) ***Establishment of a Maghreb Unit in the National Center for Information and Economic Documentation (CNIDE) of Algeria***

Number: INT/89/K06

PGTF input (US\$): US\$65,450

Other inputs (US\$): Nil

Date of implementation: 1990-1993

Impact: Between 1993 and 1996 certain databases were established. However, their impact was limited due to obsolescence of acquired material and difficulties in collecting data and bringing together the heads of information centers of Maghreb countries. In 1996 the implementing agency was dissolved and its assets transferred to the Algerian Bureau for Foreign Trade Promotion (PROMEX).

(7) ***Regional program for cooperation and concerted action in the area of plant germ plasm***

Number: INT/89/K12

PGTF input (US\$): 58,000

Other inputs (US\$): 309,200

Date of implementation: 1991-1997

Impact: Publication of a book on biodiversity containing all the findings and innovative elements related to the germ plasm issue.

- (8-9) ***South-North Development Monitor (SUNS); and Information Support to the Group of 77 Chapters (SUNS)***
- Number: INT/89/K13 and INT/93/K03
PGTF input (US\$): 120,000 and 59,881 respectively
Other inputs (US\$): 164,000 and 158,517 respectively
Date of implementation: 1991-1992 and 1994-1995 respectively
Impact: Supported publication of SUNS during 24 months (over 400 issues). SUNS issues have since been made available by fax to the G-77 missions in New York.
- (10) ***Assistance to the Fifth Meeting of the Committee of Experts of the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund***
- Number: INT/89/K14
PGTF input (US\$): 25,000
Other inputs (US\$): Nil
Date of implementation: 1990-1992
Impact: Following a decision by the Group of 77 to fund the participation of the members of the Committee of Experts at its meetings, this project ensured participation of Committee members by covering travel, subsistence and terminal expenses for the Fifth Meeting (1990), Sixth Meeting (1991) and partially the Seventh Meeting in 1992.
- (11) ***In-depth review of the actions taken by the international community in favor of the particular needs and problems of the land-locked developing countries and a basis for new strategy to overcome these needs and problems in the future***
- Number: INT/90/K03
PGTF input (US\$): 95,000
Other inputs (US\$): 23,800
Date of implementation: 1991-1995
Impact: Inventory of a large number of studies and projects served as a basis for recommending a coordinated action. In particular it is recommended that a high level office be created with a view to coordinating joint efforts of the land-locked countries at the international level, in particular those related to international trade.
- (12) ***Regional symposium on the economic and social impact of money derived from illicit drug trafficking in the development of Latin America and the Caribbean***
- Number: INT/90/K04
PGTF input (US\$): 78,000
Other inputs (US\$): 103,000
Date of implementation: 1991
Impact: Publication of a book containing the conclusions of the symposium which aimed mainly at an integrated approach to the problem including both producing and consumer countries, with solutions ranging from eradication to crop substitution.
- (13) ***Organic rice farming***
- Number: INT/90/K06
PGTF input (US\$): 85,000
Other inputs (US\$): nil
Date of implementation: 1991-1997
Impact: The study has provided information on the characteristics of various organic matter sources when used for organic rice farming. It also provided information for both up scaling the project to the pilot level, and enabling farmers to further exploit these techniques
- (14-16) ***Technical, secretariat and other support to the GSTP, and technical assistance to countries participating in the GSTP (First Round); and Technical assistance to the members of the G-77 participating in the Second Round of negotiations within the GSTP and seeking membership in the GSTP, as well as related technical, secretariat and other support to the GSTP***

- Number: INT/90/K07 and INT/92/K03 (First Round), and INT/94/K02 (Second Round)
PGTF input (US\$): 350,000 and 250,000; and 72,363 respectively
Other inputs (US\$): Nil
Date of implementation: 1991-1993, 1992-1994 and 1995-1997 respectively
Impact: First round led to launching of the agreement, with 43 member countries and negotiations on 1,700 tariff lines. Second round enabled accession of 8 additional member countries and a sub-regional grouping, with consolidated list of concessions covering 700 tariff lines.
- (17) ***Establishment of the Regional Bureau and Trade Information Network for Chamber of Commerce & Industry (CCI) of Developing Countries Members of the Group of 77***
- Number: INT/91/K01
PGTF input (US\$): 150,000
Other inputs (US\$): 270,000
Date of implementation: 1991-1994
Impact: Sixty chambers of commerce participated in the pilot project. They were assisted in formulating a plan of action for their respective centers. In addition, Web pages were created for this pilot group.
- (18) ***Economic Integration in the Southern Cone Common Market***
- Number: INT/92/K01
PGTF input (US\$): 88,000
Other inputs (US\$): Nil
Date of implementation: 1992-1994
Impact: Greatly facilitated the negotiations of the sub-regional integration scheme that led to the emergence of a customs union known as Mercosur. The studies were widely circulated in the region and a large number of experts, academics and policy makers benefited from them
- (19) ***Development and use of a computer simulation model for supply, demand and prices of agricultural commodities in ASEAN countries***
- Number: INT/92/K04
PGTF input (US\$): 81,600
Other inputs (US\$): Nil
Date of implementation: 1993-1994
Impact: Improved the skills of the participants in forecasting trends in export agricultural commodities. Some of the participants were able to set-up national training programs on computer simulation models.
- (20-21) ***African Agency for Biotechnology***
- Number: INT/92/K06 (Phase I) and INT/93/K01 (Phase II)
PGTF input (US\$): 150,000 and 150,000
Other inputs (US\$): Nil
Date of implementation: 1993-2000 and 1994-2000 respectively
Impact: Provided seed money for the setting up of the Agency. Financed 16 country studies (one for each member state), as well as acquisition of equipment and setting up of the operating structures of the Agency. Current regular budget activities financed by member country contributions and funds from regional development banks.
- (22) ***Guidelines and tools of a common industrial policy for Mercosur***
- Number: INT/93/K05
PGTF input (US\$): 120,000
Other inputs (US\$): 36,000
Date of implementation: 1994-1997
Impact: Provided important inputs for the analysis of the costs and benefits of the implementation of common industrial policies among Mercosur member countries. It also proposed guidelines for the harmonization of the industrial policies among Mercosur countries

- (23) ***Feasibility study for a sub-regional center for agricultural machinery in the CEPGL sub region***
- Number: INT/93/K07
PGTF input (US\$): US\$43,000
Other inputs (US\$): US\$15,200
Date of implementation: 1996-1999
Impact: Provided decision-makers in the sub region with recommendations aimed at designing and adopting common agricultural policies. In particular, by identifying shortcomings in national policies that resulted in the disappearance of all national centers for agricultural machinery, and by defining the main features of the sub regional center, conceived as a center of excellence and a common endeavor of the member countries.
- (24) ***Employment and income generation in West and Central Africa***
- Number: INT/94/K05
PGTF input (US\$): 30,000
Other inputs (US\$): 67,000
Date of implementation: 1995-1998
Impact: Eleven (11) projects were launched in Benin, Burkina Faso and Togo providing income for 5,000 people and protecting natural resources.
- (25) ***Productive Internationalization in MERCOSUR: Foreign direct investment (FDI) and regional transnational corporations***
- Number: INT/95/K02
PGTF input (US\$): 140,000
Other inputs (US\$): 42,200
Date of implementation: 1996-1997
Impact: The study provided a clear and objective understanding of the role that FDI is playing in the integration process of the region. Extracts from the study were reproduced as discussion papers in technical and policy level meetings in the Mercosur. However, its actual impact on FDI policies needs further clarification.
- (26) ***Caribbean Regional Technical Support Programme to Promote the Equalization of Training and Employment Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities***
- Number: INT/96/K02
PGTF input (US\$): US\$90,000
Other inputs (US\$): US\$90,000
Date of implementation: 1997-1999
Impact: Seminars, workshops and training courses were organized in technical and vocational institutions of 7 English-speaking countries of the Caribbean on the education and training of persons with disabilities. Little known information on existing international standards, conventions, policies and programmes on disability issues was made available.
- (27) ***Training of Personnel in the Field of Standardization and Meteorology for the Conformity Assessment among Developing Countries***
- Number: INT/96/K03
PGTF input (US\$): US\$76,500
Other inputs (US\$): US\$160,000
Date of implementation: 1997-1998
Impact: Training of technicians from the participating countries (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Laos and Nepal) that would establish the infrastructure of standards, metrology and quality in their countries. Provision of methodological guidelines for conformity assessment using ISO 9000 and ISO 14000, and calibration guidelines needed for establishing a unified system of metrological calibration.
- (28) ***South-South Transfer of Experiences in Sustainable Agricultural Development***
- Number: INT/96/K05
PGTF input (US\$): 84,000

- Other inputs (US\$): 93,000
Date of implementation: 1998-2001
Impact: Collection of information on 65 agricultural and rural development projects in seventeen countries in Latin America and the Caribbean. Preparation of 30 project summaries and 10 case studies. Publication of 11 issues of a newsletter in English and Spanish.
- (29) ***Biological Control of Pests and Weeds for Sustainable Agriculture and Bio-diversity***
- Number: INT/97/K02
PGTF input (US\$): US\$25,000
Other inputs (US\$): US\$25,000
Date of implementation: 1999-2002
Impact: Collection of information on crops, pests and weeds, bio-control programmes and integrated pest management from 13 participating countries. Convening of a workshop with 10 participating countries and 21 resource persons to exchange experiences on bio-control programmes. Identification of common problems and of areas for training. Four training programmes completed as of end April 2002.
- (30) ***Integrated Planning and New Technologies for Sustainable Development***
- Number: INT/97/K03
PGTF input (US\$): US\$37,560
Other inputs (US\$): US\$41,720
Date of implementation: 1999-2001
Impact: Substantial progress in adopting an integrated approach in water resources planning, in particular in Barbados, Jamaica, St. Lucia, and Trinidad and Tobago. Obstacles encountered in integrating science and technology into overall national development plans, some progress in Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago, not seen as a priority in the least developed Caribbean countries.
- (31) ***Training of rice breeding experts for the effective use of rice genetic resources in the developing countries***
- Number: INT/98/K03
PGTF input (US\$): US\$100,000
Other inputs (US\$): US\$146,500
Date of implementation: 1999-2000
Impact: On the basis of the findings of a mission from DPR Korea to the participating countries (Ethiopia, Guinea, Mali and Nigeria), 14 experts from these countries were trained on rice breeding. Main results were country-specific guidelines for evaluation, selection and seed production of rice genetic resources; improved rice breeding systems suited to the various agro-ecological zones; and rice breeding with enhanced disease resistance.
- (32) ***Training, consultation, awareness building for small hydropower in developing countries***
- Number: INT/98/K06
PGTF input (US\$): 150,000
Other inputs (US\$): 330,300
Date of implementation: 1999-2001
Impact: Five training seminars in four developing countries. Consultation missions to seven countries to carry out feasibility studies. Publication of two training texts. Research and compilation of three surveys and a standards study. Initial funding for an international center for small hydropower through a trust fund administered by UNIDO
- (33) ***International Youth Leadership Training for Promotion of South-South Cooperation***
- Number: INT/98/K07
PGTF input (US\$): 20,000
Other inputs (US\$): 171,695
Date of implementation: 1999-2000
Impact: Holding of a study and training conference for 70 youth leaders from 16 countries.
- (34) ***Master Plan for the sustainable development of transportation and related infrastructure in South America***

- Number: INT/98/K08
PGTF input: US\$50,000
Other inputs: US\$413,000
Date of implementation: 1999-2001
Impact: It identified the main trade flows and the supply of transportation services in the region. This will facilitate the enhancement of these services and their infrastructure, as well as their regional production competitiveness.
- (35) ***Technology linkage through sharing and cooperation among developing countries***
- Number: INT/98/K10
PGTF input: US\$100,000
Other inputs: US\$150,000
Date of implementation: 1999-2003
Impact: A network was established for technology sharing and cooperation among technology developers, innovators, R&D institutions and technology enablers in government and non-government organizations as well as the private sector. Participants in an interregional workshop defined the most effective mechanism for technology transfer and information and evaluating the effectiveness of the technologies transferred and the methodology employed.
- (36) ***Establishment of a kit for the diagnosis of the Chagas disease***
- Number: INT/98/K18
PGTF input (US\$): 35,000
Other inputs (US\$): 705,000
Date of implementation: 1999-2000
Impact: Development of two new highly selective and specific antigens for the diagnosis of the disease that would be the basis for preparing very low-cost kits, which could compete favorably in the market.
- (37) ***Technical assistance based on the regional approach in the field of standardization, metrology and quality control among developing countries***
- Number: INT/99/K02
PGTF input (US\$): 25,000
Other inputs (US\$): 73,667
Date of implementation: 2000
Impact: Training of officers from Lao, Cambodia, Nepal and Bangladesh in the establishment of their own national systems of standards and metrology.
- (38) ***Transportation information system (TIS) for the member countries of the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)***
- Number: INT/99/K03
PGTF input (US\$): US\$37,000
Other inputs (US\$): US\$113,800
Date of implementation: 2000-2001
Impact: Information system (SIT-A) installed in the Web page of ALADI. Contains information on regulatory and operating issues, as well as on physical infrastructure and related services. Covers air, road, rail, river and maritime transportation. Design is modular and user friendly and meets a sustained demand from the public, private and academic sectors of the region. ALADI is further developing the system.
- (39) ***Pacific islands regional biomass energy resource assessment programme (PIRBERAP)***
- Number: INT/99/K05
PGTF input (US\$): US\$34,000
Other inputs (US\$): US\$166,000
Date of implementation: 2001-2004
Impact: Country nationals from the six Pacific Island Countries (Fiji, Kiribati, Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu) were trained in biomass assessment techniques and methodologies with a focus on identifying and quantifying the

biomass energy resources in each of those countries, resulting in greater awareness of and a renewed interest in biomass as a potential energy source.

(40) ***Programme for regional technical cooperation in the field of integration in Mercosur member countries***

Number: INT/00/K01

PGTF input: US\$40,000

Other inputs: US\$54,000

Duration: One year

Date of implementation: 2001

Impact: Publication of a book with experts' views and research on assessment and perspectives of Mercosur in its first decade. Dissemination activities for policy-makers aimed at reinforcing integration and cooperation within Mercosur.

(41) ***Sustainable Management of Agro forest resources in Amazon Border Areas of Brazil, Colombia and Peru***

Number: INT/00/K03

PGTF input: US\$45,000

Other inputs: US\$75,000

Duration: One year

Date of implementation: 2001-2004

Impact: Identified opportunities for cooperation in the Amazon border areas aimed at facilitating the rational and sustainable utilization of shared forest resources through research, promotion and development of agroforest systems in the Amazon border areas.

(42) ***Training of Irrigation and Drainage Designers for Undertaking Development of Water Resources in Developing Countries in Asia***

Number: INT/00/K04

PGTF input (US\$): US\$40,000

Other inputs (US\$): US\$100,000

Date of implementation: 2001-2002

Impact: A mission from DPR Korea visited each participating country (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Laos and Nepal) and collected field data on irrigation and drainage. Based on this assessment, a training workshop was held with the participation of two engineers from each country, in the areas of irrigation and drainage systems planning, technical bases for building the systems, investment estimates, and flood damage prevention.

(43) ***Cooperation for Development and Application of Biological Farming Method among Developing Countries in Asia***

Number: INT/00/K05

PGTF input (US\$): US\$40,000

Other inputs (US\$): US\$112,500

Date of implementation: 2001-2002

Impact: 29 experts from the participating countries (Cambodia, Laos, Nepal and Vietnam) were trained on biological farming. Main results were the analysis of the current situation in each country, guidelines for developing biological resources and implementing country-specific biological farming methods; provision of bio-fertilizers and agricultural bio-medicines, on the basis of research and trials in various points of each country; and a system for sharing information experiences was established.

(44) ***Assessment and study of the residual effect of pesticides utilization on crop products and flowers in Latin America***

Number: INT/00/K09

PGTF input (US\$): US\$35,000

Other inputs (US\$): US\$354,085

Date of implementation: 2001-2004

Impact: Field sampling studies were conducted and samples collection taken in representative areas in Colombia to assess pesticide residues in crop products to evaluate the food quality and safety and environmental impact. In

most of the samples (96.4%) residues were below the Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs). Three samples (4.6%) were contaminated with pesticides residues that exceeded the MRLs, which were attributed to the inappropriate or excessive use of pesticides.

(45) ***Programme of prevention in Peru and control in Ecuador and Colombia against the Guatemalan moth***

Number: INT/00/K10

PGTF input (US\$): US\$30,000

Other inputs (US\$): US\$43,268

Date of implementation: 2001-2003

Impact: An information network among Colombia, Ecuador and Peru was established to monitor and exchange information about the potato Guatemalan moth. International workshops were held with the participation of national specialists concerned with this pest, which facilitated contacts and the integrated development of sub regional initiatives against the Guatemalan moth. Success was reported in Peru continuing to maintain its status as a country free of this pest.

(46) ***Quinoa, a multipurpose crop for agro-industrial uses in the Andean countries***

Number: INT/01/K01

PGTF input (US\$): US\$74,900

Other inputs (US\$): US\$89,800

Date of implementation: 2002-2004

Impact: 30 varieties of Quinoa seeds were cultivated under different crop conditions in Bolivia, Colombia and Peru. The most adaptable and productive seeds were identified and their respective profitability in the areas of production, agro industrial processing and marketing was assessed.

(47) ***Improving Awassi Sheep Productivity by using frozen semen in Jordan and the Palestinian Authority***

Number: INT/01/K02

PGTF input: US\$110,000

Other inputs: US\$260,000

Date of implementation: 2002-2006

Impact: Increased the productive potential of genetically improved Awassi sheep in the region through the use of frozen and fresh semen obtained from disease-free proven sires.

(48) ***Watershed Management in the Northern Badia Region as an example for desert regions***

Number: INT/01/K03

PGTF input: US\$75,000

Other inputs: US\$142,720

Date of implementation: 2002-2007

Impact: Improved management of the surface water resources of the Badia region could be achieved through the use of modern and advanced modeling techniques.

(49) ***Distributed Modeling of Pipeline Networks***

Number: INT/01/K05

PGTF input (US\$): US\$80,000

Other inputs (US\$): US\$80,000

Date of implementation: 2002-2003

Impact: Initial work was performed on the design and evaluation of a concurrent system for modeling pipe networks using linear algebraic methods based on cluster computing that could offer a low-cost and high-speed alternative to traditional and expensive solutions based on massively parallel processing systems. The modeling of complex and large dynamic pipe networks poses a major challenge to be addressed.

(50) ***Technical assistance and support to the relative less advanced stage of economic development countries in business missions***

- Number: INT/01/K06
PGTF input (US\$): US\$17,500
Other inputs (US\$): US\$75,300
Date of implementation: 2002-2005
Impact: Three business missions of businessmen from Bolivia, Ecuador and Paraguay to other Latin American countries were conducted and market studies were published on business opportunities aimed at improving exports of products from these countries.
- (51) ***Training of Maize breeding experts for effective use of maize germplasm in Africa***
- Number: INT/02/K01
PGTF input (US\$): US\$81,200
Other inputs (US\$): US\$159,100
Date of implementation: 2002-2003
Impact: A training course was successfully completed by 11 trainees on the breeding of high-yield maize varieties resistant to unfavorable climate conditions through which information was exchanged on maize breeding and seed selection work done in the participating countries, namely Ethiopia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea and Mali.
- (52) ***Support to the Coordinating Secretariat of the Zambia-Malawi-Mozambique Growth Triangle for the Implementation of the ZMM-GT***
- Number: INT/03/K01
PGTF input (US\$): 70,000
Other inputs (US\$): 95,000
Date of implementation: 2004-2009
Impact: Strengthened the capacity of the Coordinating Secretariat to identify commercial and investment opportunities through public-private sector partnerships as well as to produce and disseminate information on the ZMM-GT and its stakeholders. Challenges faced in development partnership building and resource mobilization for the promotion of regional cooperation and economic integration in Africa through the ZMM-GT were also identified.
- (53) ***Cooperation in promoting an Andean Fair Competition System (SICCLA)***
- Number: INT/03/K02
PGTF input: US\$20,000
Other inputs: US\$32,750
Date of implementation: 2003-2004
Impact: Establishment of a portal promoted the sharing of information and experiences in the cattle-leather-footwear and manufactures production chain among Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, which strengthened their efforts to combat unfair competition practices.
- (54) ***Indicators System on Information and Communication Technology***
- Number: INT/03/K03
PGTF input (US\$): US\$25,000
Other inputs (US\$): US\$50,000
Date of implementation: 2003
Impact: A framework to facilitate the identification and formulation of indicators and statistics on information and communication technologies (ICT) was proposed, which member countries of the Statistics Conference of the Americas (SCA) could incorporate in their national statistics plans.
- (55) ***Prevention in Peru and Control Programme in Bolivia and Brazil against Anthonomus Grandis Boheman "The Mexican Cotton Boll Weevil"***
- Number: INT/03/K04
PGTF input (US\$): 25,000
Other inputs (US\$): 25,000
Date of implementation: 2004-2008

Impact: Preventive monitoring of the Mexican cotton boll weevil was strengthened through the establishment and maintenance of a trapping network on strategic points within the national territories of Bolivia, Brazil and Peru.

(56) ***Regional technical cooperation programme: support to economic research in Mercosur***

Number: INT/03/K05

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$369,000

Date of implementation: 2003-2004

Impact: A two-day regional forum was organized, attended by more than 300 participants (government officials, leading negotiators, scholars, experts, businessmen and civil society representatives). The forum provided a venue for presentation and discussion of results of the latest studies completed during 2001-2003 on regional macroeconomic cooperation and creation of a monetary institute; common trade policies and enhancement of the regional market; competitiveness, foreign investment and productive complementarities. As a result of the forum, proposals and recommendations were prepared and addressed to governments and civil society for furthering the process of regional integration.

(57) ***Negotiating Trade in Services: Implications for the Andean Community of Nations***

Number: INT/03/K06

PGTF input (US\$): 20,000

Other inputs (US\$): 71,000

Date of implementation: 2003-2005

Impact: Two research reports were published dealing with international trade in professional services and the integration of the Andean countries and on trade services negotiations and investments. Networking of scholars and negotiators was accomplished in order to make the research closer and relevant to policy needs.

(58) ***Territorial imbalances and university education: impact of territorial imbalances on university students' performance***

Number: INT/03/K07

PGTF input (US\$): US\$20,000

Other inputs (US\$): 144,400

Date of implementation: 2003-2004

Impact: Three country studies carried out in Argentina, Brazil and Peru proved that the proclaimed goal of equality of opportunities is far from being achieved. University education results, in terms of both qualitative and quantitative indicators are heavily dependent on personal and regional characteristics of students (socio-economic background, family income, and level of economic resources where they live). Results were published in a book widely distributed to public and private libraries, policy-makers in central and local governments, congress members, and authorities and researchers in public and private universities and other institutions. Administrative and academic institutions in the three countries now have the data, analyses and recommendations to make the right decisions regarding university education policies.

(59) ***Training, Consultation and Awareness Building for Small Hydropower in Developing Countries***

Number: INT/03/K08

PGTF input (US\$): 40,000

Other inputs (US\$): 117,400

Date of implementation: 2003-2004

Impact: A two-week training course for 31 participants from Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and India was conducted in India followed by a field visit to China which allowed for the exchange of information/technical know-how/expertise in small hydropower (SHP); facilitated common understanding of further SHP cooperation approaches and strategies; explored opportunities for SHP technology transfer; and made recommendations for SHP cooperation among developing countries.

(60) ***Increase in sugar production by microbiological inhibition of the *Leuconostoc* spp. and other bacteria***

Number: INT/03/K09

PGTF input (US\$): 25,000

Other inputs (US\$): 30,000

Date of implementation: 2003-2004

Impact: An inhibitor was found to have superior effects over commercial disinfection products commonly used for microbial inhibition of sugar cane losses in the sugar production process.

(61) ***Caribbean Postgraduate Centers***

Number: INT/03/K10

PGTF input (US\$): 25,000

Other inputs (US\$): 202,000

Date of implementation: 2005-2010

Impact: Developed programme aimed to guarantee access to postgraduate education for Cuban and Caribbean Basin students. Participants comprised 156 students and professionals also including from Cape Verde, Ecuador and Venezuela. The programme provided course-work, capacity building and training of participants, teaching of Spanish language to non-Spanish speaking participants, and setting up a virtual laboratory to permit distance learning via information and communication technologies.

(62) ***Strengthening South-South Africa/Asia/Latin America and the Caribbean Cooperation for Economic and Social Integration***

Number: INT/03/K14

PGTF input (US\$): 40,000

Other inputs (US\$): 92,000

Date of implementation: 2007

Impact: Officials in charge of international cooperation from participating developing countries exchanged experiences on coordination and cooperative actions, with emphasis in the area of natural disaster risk reduction, and participated in a workshop that examined the needs and challenges facing international cooperation from a Latin American and Caribbean perspective.

(63) ***Information network to promote strategies of socio-economic development in South American camelids of Andean Countries***

Number: INT/04/K02

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$44,200

Date of implementation: 2004-2006

Impact: Identified and linked up 315 institutions from Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru involved in the management of South American camelids (SACs) (llamas, alpacas and similar species) with a view to sharing and disseminating national and regional work and research experiences in production and commercialization, aiding in the institutionalization of the agents involved in the implementation of strategies of socio-economic development of SACs in the Andean countries.

(64) ***Design of a system of management of used pesticide containers***

Number: INT/04/K03

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$25,000

Date of implementation: 2004-2006

Impact: Developed a framework for the design of a system to manage the disposal of pesticide containers, with an emphasis on conservation and recycling of a non-renewable resource into many other useful products, with a view to reducing damage caused by inadequate disposal of pesticide containers and providing an alternative to incineration or dumping of empty pesticide containers.

(65) ***Development of new technologies and products for the whole utilization of marginal and primary yeasts as sources of food (YAF)***

Number: INT/04/K04

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$245,000

Date of implementation: 2004-2005

Impact: Assessment at industrial scale of substitution of molasses by microbial growth enhancer (MGE) QZ-350 in yeast propagation. Two tons of molasses needed as medium enrichment per ton of yeast were fully substituted by 1 Kg of MGE, without significant variation of productive results and with lower yeast production costs.

(66) ***Technology Transfer: Assessing Needs - Promoting Action***

Number: INT/04/K06

PGTF input: US\$45,000

Other inputs: US\$65,000

Date of implementation: 2005-2006

Impact: Contributed to the development of a concrete and efficient technology needs assessment methodology aimed at strengthening institutional capacity in assessing technological capabilities and needs at national, sectoral and enterprise levels.

(67) ***Regional integration of postal transportation in the Andean Community***

Number: INT/04/K07

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$65,000

Date of implementation: 2005-2007

Impact: Proposed a regulatory and economic framework to facilitate the integration of multimode transportation in the Andean region with a view to improving the efficacy, quality, speed, reliability and safety of postal transportation.

(68) ***Training programme for the staff of some African Countries Member Chambers***

Number: INT/05/K01

PGTF input (US\$): 24,700

Other inputs (US\$): 24,900

Date of implementation: 2005

Impact: A six-day training workshop held in Egypt offered training to staff from 12 African countries members of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry on the general functions of national chambers, computerized trade information systems; organization of national international exhibitions; and participation in industrial trade fairs.

(69) ***Training of Researchers for Seed Production, Processing and Inspection Methods in Developing Countries***

Number: INT/05/K02

PGTF input (US\$): 45,000

Other inputs (US\$): 67,500

Date of implementation: 2005

Impact: 12 seed experts (from Ethiopia, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda and the Democratic Peoples' Republic of Korea) received training in the production of first-generation hybrid seed, its processing and inspection. Application of learned methods of seed production could increase crop production by 12 percent.

(70) ***Training of Groundnut Breeding Experts for the Effective Use of Groundnut Genetic Resources in the Developing Countries***

Number: INT/05/K03

PGTF input (US\$): US\$45,000

Other inputs (US\$): US\$67,500

Date of implementation: 2005

Impact: A one-week training course for 10 participants from Guinea, Mali, Nigeria and Senegal was conducted in Guinea, including theoretical training and lectures, field practice and visits. Participants were familiarized with the technologies for breeding and cultivation of groundnuts, as well as with the establishment of groundnut breeding systems fit for their own specific conditions, and capacity building for the self-training of more and competent groundnut breeders.

(71) ***Exchange of experiences of export trade promotion organizations in the Andean Region***

Number: INT/05/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 27,500

Other inputs (US\$): 32,200

Date of implementation: 2005-2007

Impact: Trade promotion organizations from Bolivia, Chile, Ecuador and Peru hosted five workshops on various topics related to export trade promotion. Participants shared experiences on work done and lessons learned in trade promotion.

(72) ***Strengthening development cooperation for poverty reduction between Viet Nam, Benin, Mozambique and the Republic of Congo***

Number: INT/05/K06

PGTF input (US\$): 25,400

Other inputs (US\$): 40,000

Date of implementation: 2005

Impact: Potential fields of cooperation between Benin, Mozambique and Viet Nam were identified along with recommendations to further enhance development cooperation for poverty reduction in the future.

(73) ***Latin American network for scientific and technical information on vaccines***

Number: INT/05/K10

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Other inputs: US\$303,958

Duration: Two (2) years

Approval: 28th Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 (New York, 30 September 2004)

Date of implementation: 2005-2010

Impact: Developed an online regional data network specialized in scientific and technological information on vaccines accessible to hospitals, health professionals, researchers, medical universities, libraries and the general population to foster knowledge sharing and learning through a Vaccines Virtual Library and a Virtual Classroom on Vaccinology.

(74) ***Training of irrigation and drainage designers for protection from drought and flood damage in developing countries***

Number: INT/06/K01

PGTF input: US\$34,827

Other inputs: US\$43,173

Date of implementation: 2005-2006

Impact: Participants from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Sudan, and Uganda received training in the preparation of master plans of irrigation and drainage, and to guide construction in accordance with their specific features for effectively using water resources.

(75) ***Training of experts on construction and operation of small-size hydropower plants in developing countries***

Number: INT/06/K02

PGTF input: US\$30,000

Other inputs: US\$42,066

Date of implementation: 2006

Impact: Participants from Bangladesh, Cambodia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao and Nepal received training in the construction and operation of small-size hydropower facilities to help achieve power self-sufficiency in rural and remote areas.

(76) ***Training of experts on standardization and metrology of developing countries***

Number: INT/06/K03

- PGTF input: US\$34,827
Other inputs: US\$43,173
Date of implementation: 2006
Impact: Participants from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Sudan and Uganda received training on developing standardization and metrology appropriate for the specific situation of the participating countries.
- (77) ***Yeast and yeast derivative production from cheese-whey***
- Number: INT/06/K04
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$347,000
Date of implementation: 2008
Impact: Research studies were conducted in Argentina, Costa Rica, Cuba and Mexico on alternative technologies and procedures for the utilization and disposal of cheese-whey aimed at reducing its environmental impact and producing food and food additives from yeast biomass to enhance the profitability of dairy industries.
- (78) ***Support to the MERCOSUR regional integration process***
- Number: INT/06/K05
PGTF input: US\$25,000
Other inputs: US\$41,000
Date of implementation: 2006
Impact: Experts, academicians and representatives of civil society participate in a regional forum that discussed proposals and recommendations to further the process of regional integration and analyzed the current situation and new challenges of MERCOSUR.
- (79) ***Training programme for staff of national chambers of commerce of Middle Eastern countries***
- Number: INT/06/K06
PGTF input (US\$): 27,400
Other inputs (US\$): 33,000
Date of implementation: 2006
Impact: A six-day training workshop held in the State of Qatar offered training to staff from 12 Middle Eastern countries members of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry on the general functions of national chambers, computerized trade information systems; organization of national international exhibitions; and participation in industrial trade fairs.
- (80) ***International youth leadership training for promotion of South-South cooperation – 2nd Study session and training***
- Number: INT/06/K07
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$70,786
Date of implementation: 2006
Impact: Sixty (60) youth leaders and members of youth organisations from 21 developing countries participated in a workshop and study session that produced a statement and an action plan aimed at engaging youth organizations from developing countries in promoting South-South cooperation.
- (81) ***Harmonization of norms and procedures for agronomic evaluation of commercial varieties in Peru, Colombia and Bolivia***
- Number: INT/06/K09
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$40,000
Date of implementation: 2008
Impact: Methodology was developed and tested to harmonize the agronomic evaluation and registry of 13 commercial crops with a view to facilitating the introduction and liberalization of new crop varieties for the benefit of agriculture in the three countries.

- (82) ***Training, consultation and awareness for small hydropower development in Mozambique, Uganda, Nigeria and Zimbabwe***
- Number: INT/06/K10
PGTF input: US\$35,000
Other inputs: US\$40,840
Date of implementation: 2007-2008
Impact: Training workshops, seminars and field visits were successfully carried out to promote the development of small hydropower (SHP) sources for productive uses in selected countries in Africa through demonstration projects and pilot SHP stations.
- (83) ***Strengthening of coordination and cooperation among countries for the prevention of HIV/AIDS in the Americas region***
- Number: INT/06/K11
PGTF input: US\$30,000
Other inputs: US\$78,000
Date of implementation: 2008
Impact: Best practices and lessons learned in the area of prevention and control of HIV/AIDS, specifically mother-to-child transmission, were identified in the participating countries as well as a mechanism of exchange and technical cooperation among the participating countries.
- (84) ***First International Seminar on biosphere resources located in semi-arid regions***
- Number: INT/07/K01
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 45,000
Date of implementation: 2006
Impact: Representatives of the biosphere reserves of arid and semi-arid regions located in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Morocco, Mexico, Paraguay and Peru participated in an international seminar that identified and made recommendations to tackle common challenges in the management of biosphere reserves of arid and semi-arid regions.
- (85) ***Training of experts on standardization and metrology of developing countries***
- Number: INT/07/K03
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 41,000
Date of implementation: 2013
Impact: Three workshops were carried out for the training of 72 standardization and metrology experts from Nepal, Laos and Cambodia. Participants were familiarized with improved methods for developing and adopting national measurement standards, through lectures and the exchange of experiences and information, as well as guidance for improving and disseminating these activities in their respective countries.
- (86) ***Training of maize breeding experts for the effective use of maize genetic resources of developing countries***
- Number: INT/07/K04
PGTF input (US\$): 34,000
Other inputs (US\$): 42,000
Date of implementation: 2013
Impact: Training workshops contributed to capacity building of maize breeders in beneficiary countries. Workshops focused on the development of inbred lines, germplasm development and improvement, evaluation of hybrid and seed production.
- (87) ***Enhanced diagnostic capacity and control measures of some trans-boundary animal diseases with emphasis on pathology and epidemiology of Johne's disease and para-tuberculosis in Jordan, Egypt and Algeria***
- Number: INT/07/K05

- PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000
Date of implementation: 2007
Impact: About 25 scientists from the participating countries attended a three day-regional workshop aimed at enhancing the diagnostic capacities for diseases such as Johne's disease in ruminants and Avian Influenza in poultry. Participants learned practical skills and knowledge on diagnosing the Johne's disease using histopathological and immunohistochemical examinations.
- (88) ***Building National Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) capacity of developing countries to effectively harness small hydropower***
- Number: INT/07/K06
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 50,360
Date of implementation: 2008
Impact: Increased knowledge and understanding of the challenges and implementation of small hydro power projects and their Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) potential under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change through consultation missions and training courses in the participating or beneficiary countries.
- (89) ***International cooperation of computational intelligence study and research exchange in city information management***
- Number: INT/07/K07
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 50,000
Date of implementation: 2009
Impact: Explored application aspects of computational intelligence in the field of city informatization and a platform for research output dissemination mechanisms to stimulate the development of a city informatization strategy in developing countries. A forum on the subject was organized with participants from Cameroon, China, Jordan, Morocco, Nepal, Yemen and several developed countries.
- (90) ***Training and transfer of sea buckthorn technology to enhance the sustainable development of developing countries***
- Number: INT/07/K08
PGTF input: US\$ 32,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Date of implementation: 2007
Impact: Participants of course in advanced sea buckthorn technologies received training on sea buckthorn cultivation and harvesting, processing, product development, quality and management, as well as marketing and commercialization of sea buckthorn through specialized training materials compiled for course.
- (91) ***Appropriate construction technologies, basic environmental drainage and alternative energies: Amazonian experiences as a basis for implementing the "Red de Tecnologías Apropriadas de la Amazonia (RETAM)"***
- Number: INT/07/K10
PGTF input (US\$): 30,000
Other inputs (US\$): 206,952
Date of implementation: 2007-2009
Impact: Project activities contributed to the development of an Amazonian Network of Appropriate Technologies (RETAM) through the collection, promotion and dissemination of information on appropriate technologies in the Amazon relating to construction, basic environmental clean-up and alternative energies and their sustainable and optimal use; raising awareness and facilitating the exchange of experiences among communities and institutional stakeholders in Ecuador, Guyana, Peru and Suriname in the application of appropriate technologies for the exploitation of resources in an integral manner; and identifying directions for future research by a network of Amazonian universities towards the development and utilization of appropriate technologies.
- (92) ***Training programme for devising national small and medium enterprises (SME) programmes for member countries of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC)***

- Number: INT/07/K11
PGTF input: US\$ 39,000
Other inputs: US\$ 59,500
Date of implementation: 2007
Impact: 44 trainees from 12 countries members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference participated in a four-day workshop with a view to upgrading SME technical capacities and acquiring competitiveness, through the establishment of efficient distribution networks, speedy delivery systems and a deeper knowledge of technology supplies, competitors and their customers' needs.
- (93) ***Sustainable rainwater harvesting and ground water recharge in developing countries - Human resource development and technology transfer***
- Number: INT/08/K02
PGTF input (US\$): 42,309
Other inputs (US\$): 46,300
Date of implementation: 2008-2010
Impact: Trainers from 18 developing countries participated in a workshop and training course on rainwater harvesting and artificial groundwater recharge systems for implementation in a variety of localities aimed at achieving cost-effective sustainable water resources in the participating countries.
- (94) ***Capacity building in plant genomics in Latin America***
- Number: INT/08/K03
PGTF input (US\$): 38,000
Other inputs (US\$): 135,600
Date of implementation: 2009
Impact: Transfer of the latest technology developed by the International Potato Genome-Sequencing Consortium was facilitated through a workshop in which networking and training activities on bioinformatics and wet-lab procedures were undertaken by junior scientists from Brazil, Chile and Peru aimed at enhancing the flow of information among the scientific communities of the participating countries and the capacity to elucidate the DNA sequence of the potato genome in Latin America.
- (95) ***Harmonization of norms and procedures for value-added timber products in South America***
- Number: INT/08/K04
PGTF input (US\$): 36,000
Other inputs (US\$): 53,930
Date of implementation: 2008-2009
Impact: Fostered exchange of information and identified challenges as well as opportunities for the harmonization of the procedures and methodologies of tests and quality control in value-added timber products in Argentina, Chile, Peru, and Uruguay through technical visits to quality centers of participating countries.
- (96) ***Strengthening of capacities of private sector agencies and NGOs in selected African countries through regional networking and ECDC/TCDC supporting Women and Youth Entrepreneurship (WED/YED)***
- Number: INT/08/K05
PGTF input (US\$): 42,330
Other inputs (US\$): 83,000
Date of implementation: 2008
Impact: Technical seminars were organized in the United Republic of Tanzania and Malawi in support of a regional network alliance of Business Support Organizations (BSOs) that provided training, business information and networking opportunities in agri-businesses to participants from private sector institutions for women and youth empowerment in Eritrea, Kenya, Malawi, United Republic of Tanzania and Zimbabwe with the goal of identifying income generation and livelihood improvement opportunities.
- (97) ***Increased sugar production through microbial inhibition of *Leuconostoc* sp. and other bacteria (Phase II)***
- Number: INT/08/K06

- PGTF input: US\$ 38,000
Other inputs: US\$ 55,000
Date of implementation: 2008-2010
Impact: Laboratory and field validation tests of effectiveness and safety of antimicrobial properties of a disinfectant and treatment agent developed for use in mill stations and sugar cane juice were conducted with a view to decreasing the effect of microorganisms on sugar losses and patenting of product for industrial use in sugar mills.
- (98) ***Interactive CD-ROMs on Climate Change for public education among Caribbean audiences***
- Number: INT/08/K07
PGTF input: US\$ 36,000
Other inputs: US\$ 42,000
Date of implementation: 2008-2011
Impact: An educational optical disk (DVD-ROM) was produced and distributed in schools, libraries, youth development centers and environmental bodies in the Caribbean region providing access to and dissemination of knowledge related to climate change through interactive virtual games, hands-on activities, lessons, videos and pictures with an emphasis on its causes, impacts and mitigation measures throughout the Caribbean region.
- (99) ***International cooperation of higher education popularization and reformation study for developing countries***
- Number: INT/08/K08
PGTF input (US\$): 35,000
Other inputs (US\$): 55,000
Date of implementation: 2012-2013
Impact: Held a one-day conference where knowledge and ideas were exchanged among scholars and experts from China, India, Morocco, Russian Federation, Sudan and the United States of America in the area of higher education. In particular, it provided participants with more effective ways to popularize higher education, reform and innovation in developing countries. The conference was able to raise social awareness on the subject through media reports.
- (100) ***Training of agriculture administrators, technicians and farmers on sustainable development in the mountainous upland areas of the Greater Mekong sub region***
- Number: INT/08/K09
PGTF input: US\$ 42,000
Other inputs: US\$ 66,000
Date of implementation: 2011-2012
Impact: Participants from countries in the Greater Mekong Sub-region attended workshops, demonstrations and testing of agricultural methods, especially in rice production, to advance issues of food security, poverty alleviation and environmental sustainability that affect the area. The project facilitated cooperation in developing government strategies and training on agricultural development through the dissemination of various approaches, science and technologies throughout the region.
- (101) ***Community based sustainable alternative livelihood development for lake protection***
- Number: INT/08/K10
PGTF input: US\$ 38,000
Other inputs: US\$ 40,000
Date of implementation: 2011-2012
Impact: Training courses and seminars were conducted, with the participation of members from China, Germany, Indonesia and Sri Lanka, to enhance the institutional capacities of sustainable alternative livelihood development and lake protection through greater cooperation, experience-sharing and increased knowledge of methods. Proposals for a lake protection network in Asia were initiated, as well as two projects on alternative livelihood development.
- (102) ***Fee-for-service pico hydro: model for providing power to remote, low-income households***
- Number: INT/08/K11

- PGTF input: US\$ 38,000
Other inputs: US\$ 59,500
Date of implementation: 2011-2012
Impact: Multi-faceted activities were carried out aimed at establishing a sustainable financing model to provide Pico hydro units in India and Sri Lanka to low-income household communities. The project included, through meetings of various field experts and community members, the selection and establishment of suitable sites, purchasing of equipment, and training of staff and the community in hydropower technologies for proper cooperation, implementation and future use.
- (103) ***Training programme on micro finance sector development***
- Number: INT/09/K02
PGTF input (US\$): 32,955
Other inputs (US\$): 62,050
Date of implementation: 2009
Impact: 61 participants from member chambers of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry and stakeholder institutions took part in a four-day training programme in Khartoum, Sudan to share information, experiences, best practices, develop skills and identify challenges and opportunities in the microfinance sector in member countries of the Organization of the Islamic Conference in support of poverty reduction and capacity development, and agreed on recommendations for the further development of the microfinance sector.
- (104) ***Support to the Mercosur Regional Integration Process***
- Number: INT/09/K03
PGTF input (US\$): 21,000
Other inputs (US\$): 49,000
Date of implementation: 2009
Impact: A workshop on climate change, trade and cooperation in Latin America was organized in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil to analyze and discuss the central climate change challenges facing Latin America ahead of the climate change summit in Copenhagen, Denmark, in December 2009. The main issues discussed included Latin America's trade agenda, international financing of regional adaptation and mitigation strategies for climate change and the challenges and opportunities for regional and international technological cooperation.
- (105) ***South American inter-laboratories network for standardization and accreditation of value-added textile products made with fibers from South American camelids in Argentina, Bolivia and Peru***
- Number: INT/09/K04
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 48,480
Date of implementation: 2010
Impact: An inter-laboratory network of textile products made of South American natural fibers from camelids was set up and a series of missions, round tables and related events among stakeholders were held to exchange information and experiences with a view to increasing the market competitiveness of the camelidae fiber and achieving international accreditation (ISO 17025) of network laboratories through improved and harmonized technical standards, procedures and quality certification.
- (106) ***Implementation of the electronic vote observatory in Latin America***
- Number: INT/09/K05
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Other inputs: US\$ 34,575
Date of implementation: 2010
Impact: Initiated work to design, organize and launch a Web-based electronic vote observatory service center on electronic voting systems and their implementation by countries in the region, with the aim of disseminating and sharing information on best practices, electoral experiences and electronic voting issues among relevant stakeholders.
- (107) ***Exchange of experiences on assistance services for exporters and utilization of technological tools for supporting export-promotion organizations in the Andean region***

- Number: INT/09/K06
PGTF input: US\$ 33,000
Other inputs: US\$ 36,700
Date of implementation: 2010
Impact: Representatives of trade promotion agencies from Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru participated in a three-day workshop to share knowledge, expertise and experience in the use of the latest information technology and relational marketing tools for trade promotion, with a view to identifying best practices and delivering more efficient customer services of higher quality.
- (108) ***Training plan for popularizing the clean burning technology of environment protection boiler***
- Number: INT/09/K08
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 100,000
Date of implementation: 2011-2012
Impact: 8-week training courses were imparted in Thailand and Indonesia in the proper use and popularization of new clean burning boiler systems in power plants that reduce pollution, are energy efficient and reduce costs.
- (109) ***Promotion dairy technical and economic cooperation between China and Africa through value-added functional dairy products***
- Number: INT/09/K09
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 92,460
Date of implementation: 2011-2012
Impact: The promotion of the dairy industry in China and Africa was facilitated by understanding the situation the dairy industry faces in Kenya, Tanzania and South Africa through a study group of experts and government officials; the creation of a forum to enhance technical cooperation in dairy technology and equipment, with a compiled technical manual; and, training industry stakeholders on dairy technologies to understand and develop bioactive peptide products to improve the level of milk processing for value-added production.
- (110) ***Regional Cooperation on Edible Mushroom Technology***
- Number: INT/09/K10
PGTF input: US\$ 34,000
Other inputs: US\$ 56,000
Date of implementation: 2011-2014
Impact: Organized two training courses in the Philippines and Viet Nam to improve trainees' cultivation methods and awareness of developments of the edible mushroom industry. The training courses covered theories, practical inspection and field guides. Through the collection of data on mushroom field species from China, the Philippines and Viet Nam, the project also established an open consultant network on edible mushrooms, covering scientific research, commercial production and trade.
- (111) ***TCDC/ECDC facilitation e-center of bamboo***
- Number: INT/09/K11
PGTF input: US\$ 37,000
Other inputs: US\$ 62,000
Date of implementation: 2011-2012
Impact: Supported strengthening and dissemination of bamboo technology and development knowledge among stakeholders in China and developing countries through the production of five training e-books; the establishment of regional technology training E-Centers; and the formation of cooperation networks between institutions in bamboo-growing countries to enhance bamboo development.
- (112) ***SIM EMWG Training and Development***
- Number: INT/09/K14
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000

Other inputs: US\$ 60,040

Date of implementation: 2009-2011

Impact: A series of tutorials and lectures on electrical metrology were imparted to fifteen representatives from national metrology institutes of the Americas aimed at promoting the development of electrical metrology activities within the region and increasing the recognition and reliability of calibration and measurement services that support international trade.

(113) ***Strengthening of infrastructure and synergy for animal health sectors***

Number: INT/10/K01

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 55,000 (estimated)

Date of implementation: 2011

Impact: Representatives from the public, private and education and research sector of Egypt, Jordan, Palestine and Yemen participated in a workshop in which awareness was raised and recommendations made on global trade issues and the recent financial and economic crisis as they impact animal and public health and farmers in the Middle East and North African region, stressing the need to promote effective and sustainable integration and coordination mechanisms among all sectors in animal health.

(114) ***Cooperation and coordination of institutions in Latin America and the Caribbean, Asia and Africa for disaster risk reduction***

Number: INT/10/K02

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 47,000

Date of implementation: 2010

Impact: Representatives from the 27 Member States of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA) and sub-regional, regional and international organizations specializing in disaster risk reduction participated in a meeting where experiences and information on disaster prevention and assistance were shared and agreed on practical recommendations including, inter alia, strengthening the exchange of inter-regional experiences on disaster risk reduction and South-South cooperation actions on disaster risk reduction.

(115) ***Efficiency improving and energy saving scale-up of existing small hydropower (SHP) plants in rural areas***

Number: INT/10/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 29,000

Other inputs (US\$): 66,000

Date of implementation: 2011-2013

Impact: Enacted a multi-faceted project that sought to educate participants in how to increase the efficiency of existing and future SHP (Small Hydro Power) installations. Through demonstrations, site surveys and analysis of potential policies, financing, and technologies, participants will be able to overcome existing barriers in SHP in their countries, while attaining social, environmental and economic benefits.

(116) ***Application and dissemination of reinforced fiberglass biogas digester for remote and low-income households***

Number: INT/10/K04

PGTF input: US\$ 29,000

Other inputs: US\$ 51,000

Date of implementation: 2018-2019

Impact: Demonstrated the use of low-cost reinforced fiberglass biogas digesters to treat animal waste and generate clean and efficient energy in selected rural areas in Bangladesh and the Philippines, and provided hands-on training to local technicians and officials in agriculture and environment sectors in the Philippines and Bangladesh in the installation and operation of biogas digesters.

(117) ***International cooperation of e-Government promotion and exchange for developing countries***

Number: INT/10/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 25,000

Other inputs (US\$): 75,000

Date of implementation: 2011-2017

Impact: Four workshops were held in several cities in China attended by 127 trainees from 38 developing countries on how to apply and integrate IT to government service enterprise management, public services, commercial operation and other areas of e-Government.

(118) ***Training in legal metrology in CARICOM***

Number: INT/10/K06

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 27,000

Date of implementation: 2011

Impact: Supported the strengthening of legal metrology technical capacity within the CARICOM region and the development of a legal metrology database and capability profile of member states through two regional training workshops on the verification of domestic potable water meters and domestic electricity meters held respectively in Guyana and Jamaica and three specialized individual interventions tailored to specific national needs in Belize, Dominica and Saint Kitts and Nevis.

(119) ***Indicators system on information technologies and communications in the Andean Community (CAN)***

Number: INT/10/K07

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 32,000

Date of implementation: 2011-2012

Impact: Common ICT indicators were developed/harmonized for collecting data/statistics on ICT residential and business usage in Andean Community member countries and a web portal of the ICT observatory was launched for their update, promotion and dissemination.

(120) ***Exchange of experiences about opening of new markets for the value-added export supply of Colombia, Ecuador and Peru***

Number: INT/10/K08

PGTF input (US\$): 24,000

Other inputs (US\$): 30,100

Date of implementation: 2012-2013

Impact: Studied the development of the fruit and vegetable industry in the Chinese market. These studies generated documents regarding Chinese consumption needs, tendencies and exigencies, and created a network of economic agents operating in this market. Nine workshops were initiated to diffuse this specialized information on the Chinese market to fruit and vegetable industry business representatives from Colombia, Peru and Ecuador for mutual benefit.

(121) ***International comparison on measurement of mass, length and pressure***

Number: INT/10/K09

PGTF input (US\$): 24,940

Other inputs (US\$): 27,740

Date of implementation: 2014-2015

Impact: Compared results of measurements of mass, length and pressure performed by laboratories of participant countries, namely Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico, Peru and Uruguay to promote understanding and improve the measurement capacities in the region.

(122) ***Development of Cleaner Production in the sugar and byproduct industries***

Number: INT/10/K10

PGTF input: US\$ 22,000

Other inputs: US\$ 56,000

Date of implementation: 2010-2012

Impact: Identified and applied cleaner production processes in sugar and byproduct factories by optimizing the use of water, energy and raw materials to reduce costs and promote environment sustainability through the

reduction of pollutants in sugar-producing countries. A five-day training course was also held to disseminate knowledge and best-practices.

(123) ***Fifth Forum for Businesswomen in Islamic Countries***

Number: INT/10/K11

PGTF input (US\$): 25,000

Other inputs (US\$): 140,250

Date of implementation: 2010

Impact: A forum was organized in Cairo, Egypt to highlight and identify the issues, challenges and opportunities for businesswomen from member countries of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, determining the areas requiring support, facilitating networking, exchanging experiences and know-how and identifying new markets with a view to expanding the existing level of economic ties among business communities of member countries through trade and investment.

(124) ***Establishing alternative sustainable livelihoods in agriculture through the development of a vibrant fine flavor Caribbean cocoa industry***

Number: INT/11/K01

PGTF input: US\$ 34,000

Other inputs: US\$ 116,490

Date of implementation: 2014-2019

Impact: Symposium/workshops were organized to survey the status of the cocoa industries in the Caribbean region with the aim of revitalizing the cocoa industry and facilitate the transfer of scientific research on innovations in cocoa production, training in cocoa disease management and post-harvest processing and quality management. Two websites were developed: www.cocoanext.org and www.ifcic.center.

(125) ***Acceleration of small hydropower (SHP) development and carbon financing in African and Asian countries***

Number: INT/11/K02

PGTF input: US\$ 36,000

Other inputs: US\$ 49,000

Date of implementation: 2011-2012

Impact: Provided Small Hydro Power (SHP) technical assistance to Zambia and Sierra Leone, and capacity building in Clean Development Mechanisms (CDM) for carbon financing to Vietnam and Thailand. Projects for SHP and hydro CDM were initiated, as well as training workshops and seminars for officials and the community on the promotion of SHP and hydro CDM in these respective countries with added strategies for future replication in the Asian and African continents.

(126) ***Cooperation, integration and convergence in the area of health in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Number: INT/11/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000

Other inputs (US\$): 40,000

Date of implementation: 2011

Impact: A meeting of international cooperation directors for Latin America and the Caribbean was organized to review regional policies and initiatives in the area of health and the role played by the regional and subregional integration mechanisms in strengthening such cooperation as well as systematize and disseminate information on successful cooperation cases within the region and at the inter-regional level, and identify and exchange information on opportunities for South-South cooperation in the area of health offered by the bilateral and multilateral development agencies and promote the exchange of cooperation opportunities in the area of health among participants in the meeting.

(127) ***Production and application of bio-products in cultures of economic importance***

Number: INT/11/K04

PGTF input (US\$): 34,000

Other inputs (US\$): 90,000

Date of implementation: 2012- 2014

Impact: Research collaboration among institutions in Argentina, Brazil, Cuba and Mexico which used natural compounds and bio-products to discover ecologically and environmentally safer products for plant protection in agricultural production. Through its findings, this project seeks to reinforce the viability of small farmers by increasing incomes through the achievement of higher productivity, with the added benefit of enlarging organic productions and decrease or eliminate agro-chemicals for environmentally friendly agriculture.

(128) ***Sixth Forum for Businesswomen in Islamic Countries***

Number: INT/11/K05

PGTF input: US\$ 36,000

Other inputs: US\$ 141,500

Date of implementation: 2012

Impact: A two-day forum on the theme of “Development of Entrepreneurship among Women and Youth” took place to facilitate networking, learn best practices and exchange experiences for greater empowerment, the promotion of entrepreneurship, and the exploration of opportunities in various market areas for businesswomen from member countries of the Organization of the Islamic Conference. The forum agreed on a declaration containing number of recommendations to facilitate these activities for the empowerment of women and youth in Islamic countries.

(129) ***A proposal to enhance the capacity building/development on the effect of climate change in animal health issue with special reference to bluetongue disease in Egypt, Algeria, Palestine and Jordan***

Number: INT/11/K07

PGTF input: US\$ 36,000

Other inputs: US\$ 45,000

Date of implementation: 2011-2012

Impact: A three-day consultation workshop where members of government, scientists, veterinarians, students and farmers of Algeria, Egypt, Jordan and Palestine enhanced their awareness of the effects of climate change on animal diseases, especially of Bluetongue disease, that affect livestock. Capacity to combat the disease was increased through adequate training in new diagnostic techniques, expertise-sharing, the exchange of climate status information and prevalence of the disease in the region, as well as through better knowledge of transmission processes and appropriate control measures.

(130) ***Strengthening and promotion of Latin American and the Caribbean cooperation in the area of agriculture and food security***

Number: INT/12/K01

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Date of implementation: 2011-2012

Impact: A meeting attended by representatives from Latin America and Caribbean countries; as well as regional development organizations and banks; various UN programmes, funds and organizations; stressed the importance of improving food security in the region. Opportunities for cooperation were identified aimed at promoting food security through the exchange of information and experiences, as well as by enhancing coordination, synergy and facilitating the systematization of cooperation for food security.

(131) ***Search of new markets for fruits and vegetables***

Number: INT/12/K02

PGTF input (US\$): 22,000

Other inputs (US\$): 33,820

Date of implementation: 2012-2013

Impact: The trade promotion agencies of Colombia, Ecuador and Peru collaborated in a joint undertaking to develop synergies and improving the competitiveness of their respective private companies through a market study and a field trip for market prospecting, sharing lessons learned with focus on the Australian market for fruits and vegetables.

(132) ***Quality control system for added-value products of South America***

- Number: INT/12/K03
PGTF input: US\$ 21,994
Other inputs: US\$ 37,405
Date of implementation: 2012-2014
Impact: Analysis and study, in Chile and Peru, of best possible procedures and methodologies of control tests of timber materials suitable for replication in other participating countries, namely Argentina and Uruguay. A regional workshop was convened to exchange experiences, teachings, as well as present pilot project and the selected quality control tests of timber products.
- (133) ***Programme for the development of mechanisms for exports of services in the free zones of Colombia, Brazil and Peru***
- Number: INT/12/K04
PGTF input (US\$): 21,000
Other inputs (US\$): 39,000
Date of implementation: 2012
Impact: Information and experiences were shared on the export of services from free zones in Brazil, Colombia and Peru with the participation of international experts aimed at strengthening the free zones through the development of strategies for attracting investments and a legal framework for exports of services that would improve existing regulations.
- (134) ***Consortium on Science, Technology and Innovation for the South (COSTIS)***
- Number: INT/12/K05
PGTF input (US\$): 27,000
Other inputs (US\$): 61,000
Date of implementation: 2013-2018
Impact: Directory profiles 134 national institutions, located within the Member States of the Group of 77, responsible for science and technology. Each entry in the directory provides background information of the selected national scientific institution, its main objectives and contact information aimed at facilitating collaboration between scientific institutions in the South.
- (135) ***A proposal to enhance the diagnostic capacities of rabies disease with special reference to its pathology and epidemiology on Egypt, Algeria, Palestine and Jordan***
- Number: INT/12/K06
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 45,000
Date of implementation: 2013
Impact: Thirty-three scientists from universities, governments and private sectors of Algeria, Egypt, Jordan and the State of Palestine gathered in a three-day regional workshop to present and discuss various aspects of rabies diagnosis, surveillance and control. Using scientific presentations, laboratory and targeted discussion sessions, participants shared perspectives and gained valuable information on the control of this disease.
- (136) ***Made in the Caribbean***
- Number: INT/12/K07
PGTF input: US\$ 21,000
Other inputs: US\$ 28,450
Date of implementation: 2013-2018
Impact: Project sought to develop the foundation knowledge, skills, attitudes and behaviours conducive to the development of a culture of science, innovation and entrepreneurship in the Caribbean region.
- (137) ***Technical extension and application of sustainable aquaculture in Namibia and Mozambique***
- Number: INT/12/K08
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 67,500
Date of implementation: 2013-2014

- Impact:** Five aquaculture experts from the People's Republic of China carried out on-site technical extension, training and consultation in Mozambique and Namibia. The project included lectures, case studies, simple lab work, demonstrations, outdoor practices, a workshop on future cooperation and the distribution of 7 reference books to facilitate training. Contributions were made to local aquaculture development by understanding the real needs of the participating countries, improved knowledge of local fish farmers and technicians on scientific fish farming, increased confidence of the managerial authorities to strengthen support on aquaculture, and enabled modes of future cooperation in fishery research, business and trading.
- (138) ***Initiative on research and practice of green hydropower in China and selected countries in Latin America***
- Number:** INT/12/K09
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 87,900
Date of implementation: 2014
Impact: Contributed to the replication of the Chinese practice on Green Hydropower Development in Latin American countries such as Brazil and Colombia, with the goal of maintaining energy security as well as sustainable development. Extensive survey, site reconnaissance, and analysis were performed. With this information, the Chinese model on Green Hydropower development was shared with selected Latin American countries through forums, seminars, on-site consulting missions and case study.
- (139) ***Assessment of bamboo shoot development for food in Africa and Latin America***
- Number:** INT/12/K10
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 62,000
Date of implementation: 2014-2017
Impact: Conducted an assessment of the bamboo shoot industry and bamboo shoot development in the 5 participating countries (Argentina, Brazil, China, Mexico, Rwanda and Uganda), including sharing of know-how in regard to bamboo shoot processing technology for African participants and developing of technology for commercial production and cool-chain transportation for Latin American participants.
- (140) ***IT device assembling capability building and technology transfer to the developing countries***
- Number:** INT/12/K11
PGTF input: US\$ 24,000
Other inputs: US\$ 36,000
Date of implementation:
Impact: Two workshops and four site visits were undertaken with the participation of 71 trainees from 31 developing countries about R&D, design and manufacturing processes and assembling techniques of various information technology products.
- (141) ***Isolation of Actinomycetes from Cuba for seeking new antibiotic and anti-parasitic agents***
- Number:** INT/12/K12
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 65,000
Date of implementation: 2011-2017
Impact: Facilitated collaboration among educational institutions of the 3 participating countries (Argentina, Colombia and Cuba) in conducting bibliographic research and lessons learned from a study of the antimicrobial potential of *Actinomycetes* isolated from soil and plant material collected in various locations of Cuba.
- (142) ***Development of technologies for social inclusion. Building capabilities in the Mercosur***
- Number:** INT/12/K13
PGTF input: US\$ 22,000
Other inputs: US\$ 130,000
Date of implementation:
Impact: Conducted a survey to chart institutional experiences on information and communications technology policy and capacities for development of technologies for social inclusion in the 3 participating countries

(Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay) through training and interaction among key actors and policy makers on the possibilities of such technologies to support social inclusion.

(143) ***Scientific-technical observatory on vaccines (VaCyT)***

Number: INT/12/K15

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 437,867

Date of implementation: 2014-2017

Impact: Creation of an online database as a tool to facilitate the organization, planning and evaluation of vaccine research findings that would strengthen the capacity of developing countries to implement scientific-technical policies and strategies in the field of vaccines and thereby contribute to the reduction of mortality and incidence rates of the leading communicable and non-communicable diseases.

(144) ***Bio-ethanol production from alternative substrates (BEPAS)***

Number: INT/12/K16

PGTF input: US\$ 22,000

Other inputs: US\$ 48,000

Date of implementation: 2013-2017

Impact: Contributed to a feasibility study with the collaboration of the 3 participating countries (Brazil, Cuba and Mexico) for designing a production process aimed at obtaining second-generation ethanol for large-scale use from crop residues comparable to bio-ethanol from cane juice as a renewable fuel and shared lessons learned.

(145) ***Regional cooperation for international liquidity management in Mercosur***

Number: INT/12/K17

PGTF input: US\$ 21,000

Other inputs: US\$ 58,000

Date of implementation: 2014-2016

Impact: Research study evaluated the performance of regional mechanisms to manage and provide international liquidity as a way to reduce the cost of self-insurance strategies based on the accumulation of reserves and policy recommendations to develop domestic financial markets in the 4 participating countries (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay), with special focus on strategies for a better management of international liquidity.

(146) ***Training programme for microfinance sector development for OIC countries***

Number: INT/12/K18

PGTF input (US\$): 26,000

Other inputs (US\$): 28,700

Date of implementation: 2012

Impact: Organized Training Program on Microfinance Sector Development for OIC member states, which sought to bring awareness of the challenges of the microfinance sector and its affective role in alleviating poverty. Participants from 18 member states were given training on how to best use microfinance, shared experiences, and were given recommendations and guidelines for successful implementation of microfinance development.

(147) ***Training programme on entrepreneurship development of OIC countries***

Number: INT/13/K01

PGTF input (US\$): 33,000

Other inputs (US\$): 33,000

Date of implementation: 2013

Impact: Organized Training Program on Entrepreneurship Development for OIC member states with the purpose of creating a professional network, focused on learning and mutual opportunity. Participants shared knowledge and ideas, explored and learned successful business fundamentals with a view to developing strengths and demystifying entrepreneurship.

(148) ***A proposal to improve the diagnostics capacities of Brucellosis disease, enhance the vaccination and control strategies with special emphasis on farmers' awareness in Algeria, Egypt, Palestine and Jordan***

Number: INT/13/K02

PGTF input (US\$): 33,000

Other inputs (US\$): 35,000

Date of implementation: 2014

Impact: 44 scientists from universities and governments of Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan and the State of Palestine discussed various aspects of brucellosis control in the region. Through scientific presentations, laboratory and targeted discussion sessions, they gained valuable information, which aided in the compilation of a list of specific changes or approaches in their brucellosis control programs, as well as the development of a consensus plan on the greatest needs for the region.

(149) ***OIC-LDC Youth entrepreneurship development – Education seminar and training YED***

Number: INT/13/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 34,400

Other inputs (US\$): 106,840

Date of implementation: 2014

Impact: A 3-day training programme attended by over 40 participants comprising young entrepreneurs from Asia and Africa and youth entrepreneurship associations of least developed countries received entrepreneurship training through lectures on business development projects, research and workshops on entrepreneur activities, education and sustainable financing in various sectors aimed at creating opportunities for youth employment.

(150) ***Strengthening development and integration of the border areas in Latin America and the Caribbean as a cornerstone for the economic and social dimensions of integration***

Number: INT/13/K04

PGTF input (US\$): 33,000

Other inputs (US\$): 42,000

Date of implementation: 2013

Impact: Held a meeting that discussed the policies and initiatives being advanced by Latin American and Caribbean countries in the field of border integration. The regional meeting led to the collection and sharing of information and best practices on border integration, and reviewed adequate mechanisms to increase cooperation in this area with conclusions and recommendations.

(151) ***Strengthening of the South American network for the textile and commercial standardization of fine natural hair of South American camelids (Alpaca) in Argentina, Bolivia and Peru***

Number: INT/13/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 30,000

Other inputs (US\$): 30,000

Date of implementation: 2014-2015

Impact: Promoted the adoption of international standards for fine natural hair of South American camelids at the International Wool Textile Organization (IWTO) and facilitated the sharing of laboratory good practices as well as transfer of knowledge among stakeholders from the participating countries as well as lessons learned.

(152) ***Regional integration and infrastructure for development on Latin America***

Number: INT/13/K07

PGTF input: US\$ 31,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Date of implementation: 2013-2016

Impact: Explored the challenges and opportunities for scaling up infrastructure finance for development in Latin America and identified key recommendations regarding priority infrastructure investments, the mechanisms that could help to undertake them and the role of regional financial mechanisms and institutions in the region.

(153) ***Decontamination of distillery slops by microbial protein propagation***

Number: INT/13/K08

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

- Other inputs: US\$ 95,000
Date of implementation: 2013-2017
Impact: Participating countries (Brazil, Cuba and Nicaragua) shared experiences in the use of biological treatment methods aimed at reducing pollutants in distillery wastewater through microbial protein propagation as a way of converting a polluting waste into a highly demanded commodity protein.
- (154) ***Demonstration programme of refurbished rural multi-purposed small hydropower project in Asia and Latin America***
Number: INT/13/K09
PGTF input (US\$): 33,000
Other inputs (US\$): 90,000
Date of implementation: 2013-2014
Impact: Reconnaissance, site selection, feasibility studies and design reports for the upgrade of old or abandoned hydro facilities to demonstrate and promote their use for projects with functions of power generation, water supply and agricultural irrigation in rural areas in developing countries particularly in Asia and South America. Two regional seminars were convened in Uruguay and Turkey for publicizing and promoting the project, demonstrating projects in target countries, providing technical support as well as equipment back-ups. In the long run, the project seeks to develop ongoing strategies for replication in developing countries worldwide.
- (155) ***Integrated solution to drinking water safety issues in rural areas***
Number: INT/13/K10
PGTF input (US\$): 32,000
Other inputs (US\$): 32,000
Date of implementation: 2014-2015
Impact: Conducted research and investigations on the technologies of wastewater treatment, including a training course and seminar through which Chinese experts shared knowledge and experiences with managers and technicians from India and Sri Lanka on techniques and self-management about drinking water safety and wastewater treatment and in developing proposals to local governments or international donors.
- (156) ***Technical training on small hydropower among ASEAN countries***
Number: INT/13/K11
PGTF input (US\$): 33,000
Other inputs (US\$): 37,000
Date of implementation: 2014-2015
Impact: 15 participants from 8 ASEAN countries (Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand and Viet Nam) and China attended a training workshop held in Indonesia to share knowledge on small hydropower (SHP) as a renewable energy and its application in the electrification of rural areas in the participating countries with a view to improving SHP design, construction, operational and management capability of the SHP technical and managerial personnel in ASEAN member countries.
- (157) ***Assessment of bamboo bioenergy development in Africa and Latin America***
Number: INT/13/K12
PGTF input (US\$): 33,000
Other inputs (US\$): 113,000
Date of implementation: 2016
Impact: Technical research, demonstration and personnel training was conducted for development of clean and renewable bamboo bio-power generation in the African and Latin American participating countries.
- (158) ***Enhancing the Preparedness and Awareness of the Concerned Governmental Authorities and Farmers on the Spread and Control of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in Egypt, Algeria, Palestine and Jordan***
Number: INT/14/K01
PGTF input (US\$): 35,000
Other inputs (US\$): 35,000
Date of implementation: 2016

Impact: 24 four scientists from universities and governments in 6 countries gathered in Irbid, Jordan to present and discuss various aspects of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) Epidemiology, Pathology and its control in the region. Through scientific presentations, different videos, and targeted discussion sessions, they gained valuable information on the prevention and control of this important animal health problem.

(159) ***Workshop on Capacity Building on Value Chain Analysis for Agribusiness***

Number: INT/14/K03

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000

Other inputs (US\$): 35,000

Date of implementation: 2014

Impact: Organized workshop on capacity building on value chain analysis for agribusiness attended by participants from 16 countries, representing all regions of the OIC, as well other institutions. The purpose of the workshop was to discuss best practices among farmers, including the value chain concept, creating off-farm employment, helping stabilize local markets, improving hygienic standards and facilitating market access.

(160) ***Cooperation for the productive use of migrants' remittances in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Number: INT/14/K04

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000

Other inputs (US\$): 40,000

Date of implementation: 2014

Impact: Representatives from the Member States of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA) and subregional, regional and international organizations participated in a regional meeting where experiences and information on migrant's remittances were shared. The meeting sought to analyze data on migration dynamics, as well as remittances and its effect on income, with the aim of presenting cooperation initiatives in this area, along with best practices to strengthen the field of remittances and development.

(161) ***Gasification of residual biomass from sugarcane crops for power generation***

Number: INT/14/K05

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000

Other inputs (US\$): 92,000

Date of implementation: 2015-2017

Impact: The project contributed to greater knowledge of the gasification technology process for power generation utilizing mainly agriculture residues from sugar cane crops, supported the tooling of a pilot gasification power plant in one of the participating countries, and facilitated the sharing of experiences and knowledge with various stakeholders in the field.

(162) ***Synthesis, characterization, and evaluation of bio products of industrial application***

Number: INT/14/K06

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000

Other inputs (US\$): 85,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2018

Impact: The project primarily focused on producing, synthesizing, studying, and characterizing diverse metabolites with applications in phytosanitary practices and potential use as bioproducts in the food and pharmaceutical industries.

(163) ***Technical Cooperation for the Development of Therapeutic Strategies to Control Helminthes Infections of Global Importance***

Number: INT/14/K07

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000

Other inputs (US\$): 330,000

Date of implementation: 2015-2017

Impact: Study contributed to a greater understanding of the molecular basis of lipid binding proteins (LBPs) functions of parasitic helminths in the parasite-host relationship and evaluated them as potential anthelmintic drug carriers and/or targets.

- (164) ***Promotion of indigenous pig and chicken breeds in Fiji, Niue and Cook Islands through marketing and consumption***

Number: INT/14/K09

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000

Other inputs (US\$): 100,000

Date of implementation: 2015-2017

Impact: Workshops and field visits were conducted to pig and poultry farms as well as conservation centers in the three participating Pacific island countries to raise awareness and undertake breeding programs to conserve and sustainably manage the indigenous genetic resources of native pig and poultry breeds at risk of becoming extinct in light of the impacts of climate change and other threats.

- (165) ***Protein Enrichment of Lignocellulose Residues for Animal Feed from Sugar Industry Effluents***

Number: INT/14/K10

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 330,000

Date of implementation: 2014-2016

Impact: The 3 participating countries (Argentina, Cuba and Mexico) shared findings and experiences on the use of bioconversion process of lignocellulosic residues to increase their nutritional value and transforming them into animal feed.

- (166) ***Promoting bamboo industrialization through value chain study in China, Nepal and Viet Nam***

Number: INT/15/K01

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Date of implementation: 2015-2018

Impact: Promoted bamboo industrialization through a value chain study in the three participating countries which included technical know-how and experience sharing of bamboo cultivation and related processes. Participating farmers learned about the wide range of bamboo design and products and cultivation technology from experts. Through experience sharing among three countries, researchers, farmers and governmental officials involved in the project enhanced their awareness and skills in Nepal and Vietnam.

- (167) ***Improving of recirculating aquaculture system (RAS) performance in Viet Nam and Sri Lanka***

Number: INT/15/K02

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000.

Other inputs: US\$ 46,000.

Date of implementation: 2018.

Impact: A mission composed of five experts from China visited and surveyed farms, hatcheries, experimental stations, fish markets and other locations in Sri Lanka and Viet Nam and held meeting with local stakeholders to exchange information and provide technical presentations about recirculating aquaculture system (RAS) for reusing water in farming fish or other aquatic organisms.

- (168) ***Demonstration and promotion of high-yield and high-quality cultivation and deep processing technology of Ganoderma Lucidum in developing countries***

Number: INT/15/K03

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 165,000

Date of implementation: 2015-2018

Impact: Shared experiences, training, demonstrations and advanced technologies for high-quality cultivation and deep processing of ganoderma lucidum that is environmentally friendly, highly efficient and sustainable in participating countries.

- (169) ***Overcoming existing barriers to small hydropower development in Southern and Eastern African countries***

- Number: INT/15/K04
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 80,000
Date of implementation: 2016-2017
Impact: Workshops were organized in selected participating countries to provide training and expertise on small hydropower (SHP) plant development, maintenance and planning by experts, including on-site tours of SHP plants, equipment manufacturers, and hydropower development enterprises and meetings with representatives of equipment manufacturers and design institutes in China.
- (170) ***Development of a mechanism for joint ventures and partnership among women-led enterprises through South-South Cooperation***
Number: INT/15/K06
PGTF input (US\$): 35,000
Other inputs (US\$): 35,000
Date of implementation: 2015
Impact: 44 participants from 11 member countries (Bangladesh, Benin, Egypt, Iran, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mauritania, Pakistan, Sudan, Tajikistan and Uganda) members of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry & Agriculture (ICCIA) attended a workshop on “Development of a Mechanism for Joint Ventures and partnerships among Women-led Enterprises through South-South Cooperation” in Uganda to encourage business partnerships for enhancing access to markets and promoting entrepreneurship and job creation, particularly for women in the business sector of member countries.
- (171) ***Port cooperation in Latin America and the Caribbean, Digital Ports: Situation and prospects***
Number: INT/15/K05
PGTF input (US\$): 35,000
Other inputs (US\$): 40,000
Date of implementation: 2015
Impact: Representatives from the Member States of the Latin American and Caribbean Economic System (SELA) and subregional, regional and international organizations participated in a regional meeting that an undertook an assessment of port cooperation in the region particularly in the area of digital ports. Opportunities for cooperation among countries in the region were identified, including in Asia and Europe, aimed at sharing experiences and identifying best practices in the field of ports and the application of information and communication technologies to port processes.
- (172) ***Surveillance and pathogen characterization of Bacterial Canker of Stone Fruits using biochemical and molecular methods and its bio-management***
Number: INT/15/K07
PGTF input: US\$ 35,000
Other inputs: US\$ 57,000
Date of implementation: 2023-2025
Impact: The project brought together research institutions from Pakistan, Kyrgyzstan and the Islamic Republic of Iran to address the common challenge of bacterial canker affecting stone fruit production. Through joint field surveys, knowledge sharing and collaborative research, the participating countries improved their capacity to detect and manage the disease using environmentally friendly biological control methods, while exchanging expertise and experience that can be adapted across similar agroecological conditions. The project generated practical knowledge to support healthier orchards, reduce crop losses and decrease dependence on chemical pesticides, providing long-term benefits for farmers, agricultural institutions and food security in the participating countries, while establishing a foundation for continued regional collaboration on sustainable plant health management.
- (173) ***Natural resources management in Latin America: Lessons learned and opportunities for South-South cooperation with Africa***
Number: INT/15/K08
PGTF input: US\$ 32,100.
Other inputs: US\$ 42,000.
Date of implementation: 2016-2018

Impact: The project assessed the emerging benefits and costs of the new wave of trade and financial globalization for Latin America and Africa and drew common lessons in successes and failures, as well as policy lessons at a national and regional level and in the area of South-South cooperation. Three background papers and a policy brief were published.

(174) ***South-South Network for cooperation and action-research in innovative social enterprises led by women***

Number: INT/15/K10

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000

Other inputs (US\$): 36,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2017

Impact: Following an assessment of social enterprises of participating countries through the application of the Theory of Change as a model of participatory action research, a seminar was organized that explored the foundations of successful entrepreneurship, good practices, approaches and tools to address challenges associated with social enterprises, particularly economic enterprises such as cooperatives and community-based organizations led by women.

(175) ***Capacity development for risk reduction management centers in the Caribbean***

Number: INT/15/K11

PGTF input (US\$): 35,000

Other inputs (US\$): 45,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2018

Impact: Project contributed to the implementation of a pilot regional programme comprised of advanced tools and methodologies for the assessment of natural hazards, vulnerabilities, risks and community-based actions aimed at strengthening decision-making and building local capacity for disaster risk reduction and management in the participating countries through sharing of experiences and lessons learned relevant to the region.

(176) ***A proposal to improve the diagnostic capacities of “Peste Des Petits Ruminants” (PPR), enhance the vaccination and control strategies with special emphasis on farmers education and awareness in Egypt, Algeria, the State of Palestine and Jordan***

Number: INT/16/K01

PGTF input (US\$): 32,000

Other inputs (US\$): 32,000

Date of implementation: 2017-2018

Impact: A regional workshop took place with the participation of farmers and key scientists from universities and governments of the participating countries which discussed various aspects of Peste Des Petits Ruminants, sharing perspectives and gaining valuable information on control of this transboundary animal disease problem. The workshop proposed a list of key issues for addressing this serious problem, including: education of farmers about clinicopathologic signs of disease for immediate reporting (passive surveillance); increasing emphasis on disease reporting (passive surveillance) as opposed to active surveillance (serologic testing); importance of sequencing isolates for variation and lineage testing; and establishment of OIE reference laboratory within or close to MENA region.

(177) ***Information safety capacity building programme 2016***

Number: INT/16/K02

PGTF input (US\$): 33,000

Other input (US\$): 54,500

Date of implementation: 2016-2018

Impact: Project brought together trainees from 32 developing countries for capacity building and knowledge acquisition in information technology, with specific focus on information security in the areas of mobile internet, big data cloud computing, e-commerce and e-government.

(178) ***Regional database system promoting programme for small hydropower development in Africa***

Number: INT/16/K03

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 160,000

Date of implementation: 2017-2018

Impact: The project supported the creation of a regional database concerning information on available and installed potential of hydropower as a potentially clean and environmentally benign form of renewable energy, policy and barriers of small hydropower and follow-up actions of capacity building in Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi and Zimbabwe, in collaboration with the International Centre on Small Hydropower (ICSHP) in China.

(179) ***Seminar on hydropower development planning for South Asian Countries***

Number: INT/16/K04

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 41,060

Date of implementation: 2016-2017

Impact: Seminar raised awareness of hydropower resources in the 7 participating countries (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, China, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka), its role in electrification as a renewable energy and identified potential development projects for future collaboration in the field of small hydropower and other renewable energies.

(180) ***Technology transfer on edible mushroom cultivation to Cuba and Nepal***

Number: INT/16/K05

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 32,000

Date of implementation: 2020-2023

Impact: This project advanced mushroom cultivation technology in Cuba and Nepal through collaboration with research and training institutes from China, Cuba, and Nepal. It involved technology transfer, training, and pilot cultivation, leading to improved cultivation skills, higher mushroom yields, and enhanced laborer productivity. New cultivation techniques and management methods enabled higher yields without increased labor, showcasing neutral technological progress, while the adoption of new resilient mushroom strains reduced labor needs and provided a competitive market advantage.

(181) ***Demonstration and promotion of high-yield & high-quality cultivation and advanced processing technology of Spirulina in developing countries***

Number: INT/16/K06

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 170,000

Date of implementation: 2015-2017

Impact: A seminar and several international exhibitions on cultivation and processing technology and internalization of Spirulina as an importance source of protein were organized during the implementation period of the project to share experiences and the use of technology on high-quality cultivation and advanced processing of Spirulina and its health benefits.

(182) ***The successful bamboo development model in China and its implications to Indonesia and Vietnam***

Number: INT/16/K07

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2018

Impact: Expert panels were established in each of the participating countries to study bamboo sector's development model through detailed illustration on bamboo resources, utilization, policies, research, institutions, types of products and other related areas. The project offered the participative countries the technical know-how and experience sharing of bamboo development, including bamboo resource management, product processing techniques, governmental policy supporting, institutional arrangement such as cooperatives and association, functioning of cooperatives and associations, market, and others. Also, experience and information were shared on project implementation, bamboo farmers' daily activities, governments and research agencies' actions, vision and planning on bamboo.

(183) ***Bio hydrogen from wastes of sugar cane, onion and manioc***

Number: INT/16/K08

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 100,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2018

Impact: The project provided data supporting the development of technologies for the elimination of environmental pollution problems in the sugarcane, onion and manioc industries through the generation of hydrogen by microorganisms.

(184) ***International network of ethnography with children and teenagers***

Number: INT/16/K09

PGTF input: US\$ 29,000

Other inputs: US\$ 57,425

Date of implementation: 2016-2017

Impact: Project contributed to the establishment of a network bringing together specialists and experts, centers of excellence and academic institutions from the participating countries working with children and teenagers from an ethnographic perspective. A training workshop was held on ethnographic practices with children and teenagers and a website was launched to serve as a repository of information on the subject.

(185) ***Distillery yeasts: Survey of quality standards for ethanol and food grade biotechnological industries***

Number: INT/16/K10

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 74,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2018

Impact: The project surveyed the development and application of microbiological procedures for the quality control of the fermentative process in ethanol as a biofuel and fodder yeast plants from distillery sludge in Brazil, Cuba and Mexico, to allow an appropriate selection of ethanol producer strains, contaminants control and probiotic *Saccharomyces* distillery strains.

(186) ***Cooperation in science, technology and innovation in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Number: INT/16/K11

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2017

Impact: A meeting of international cooperation directors and entities responsible for science, technology and innovation (STI) in Latin America and the Caribbean was organized to review regional policies and initiatives in the field of STI and exchange experiences and best practices, identifying key policy recommendations and making proposal to promote South-South cooperation among the countries in the region in the area of STI.

(187) ***Relevance of competition and regulatory reforms in the Post-2015 Development Agenda in developing countries***

Number: INT/16/K12

PGTF input (US\$): 30,000

Other inputs (US\$): 47,000

Date of implementation: 2015

Impact: Participants comprising developing country practitioners and various development partners attended the 4th Biennial Competition, Regulation and Development Conference held in Kenya who made presentations and exchanged views to raise awareness about the benefits of effective competition and regulatory reform in the developing world, especially in the context of the post-2015 Development Agenda.

(188) ***Workshop on key infrastructure development for rural growth for OIC countries***

Number: INT/16/K13

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2017

Impact: Workshop participants shared experiences and identified key recommendations from presentations made on the need for OIC countries to develop an appropriate infrastructure for the most vulnerable segments and the rural populations in the OIC region.

(189) ***Journal of the Group of 77***

Number: INT/16/K14

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 30,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2017

Impact: Published electronic monthly newsletter and a dedicated webpage on the Inter Press Service main page providing coverage of development issues and major activities of the Group of 77 at the United Nations in New York and in the various Chapters of the Group at the UN centres in Geneva, Nairobi, Paris, Rome, Vienna, and the Group of 24 in Washington, DC (IMF/World Bank).

(190) ***E-commerce Development Programme for SMEs from Developing Countries 2017***

Number: INT/17/K01

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 47,000

Date of implementation: 2017-2018

Impact: Through a series of seminars, participants from Cambodia, Cuba and Viet Nam gained knowledge about China's achievements and experience in the field of e-commerce information technology application and its impact on the performance of small and medium-sized enterprises from developing countries.

(191) ***Capacity building on management and utilization of solar energy resource for improving living-condition in rural area***

Number: INT/17/K02

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Date of implementation: 2017

Impact: A capacity-building training course on solar energy utilization in rural areas, with special emphasis on the technologies and policies of rooftop photovoltaic (PV) systems, was organized in China's Jiangxi Province with representatives of selected organizations from India, the Philippines and Sri Lanka that included field visits and the preparation of a handbook about solar energy development policies and projects in Jiangxi Province that was shared with participants for wider dissemination.

(192) ***Bamboo Development Assessment for Asia and Africa under China's "One Belt and One Road" Initiative***

Number: INT/17/K03

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 185,100

Date of implementation: 2016-2018

Impact: An assessment and international market surveys on bamboo resources and potential sectoral development in the three participating countries (China, India, Kenya and Thailand) were carried out in conjunction with training workshops on bamboo cultivation and utilization.

(193) ***Seminar on Renewable Energy and Off-grid Power System for East African Countries***

Number: INT/17/K04

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 37,000

Date of implementation: 2017

Impact: A seminar was organized in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia on 12-14 May 2017 with participants from Burundi, China, Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania, consisting of lectures, study

tours, technical discussions and sharing of expertise on the role of renewable energy exploitation in socio-economic development and promotion of off-grid hybrid power (hydro-solar) generating technology.

(194) ***Application and Promotion of Plastic Functional Materials in Developing Countries***

Number: INT/17/K05

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 68,000

Date of implementation: 2016-2019

Impact: The application of an efficient and sustainable eco-functional plastic materials industry development model based on the needs of developing countries was explored in collaboration with the participating countries (China, Indonesia and Malaysia) and others through research findings, training seminars, industry exhibitions and missions to participating countries.

(195) ***Micro Hydropower Plant Development on Existing Irrigation Canals for Sustainable Socioeconomic Development of Rural Areas: Pilot Projects in Selected Developing Countries***

Number: INT/17/K06

PGTF input: US\$ 33,000

Other inputs: US\$ 50,000

Date of implementation: 2017-2018

Impact: Surveyed feasible sites for deployment of micro hydropower plants on existing irrigation canals as a low-cost power solution for remote communities and organized expert teams in the selected participating countries (Ethiopia, India and Nigeria). Project activities included support in the preparation of proposals for construction of hydropower plants and canal water development and a training workshop on small hydropower held in China.

(196) ***Cooperation for intellectual property and productive transformation in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Number: INT/17/K07

PGTF input: US\$ 28,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Date of implementation: 2017

Impact: Within the framework of the XXVIII Meeting of International Cooperation Directors for Latin America and the Caribbean, representatives from the 27 member countries of SELA discussed opportunities for regional cooperation in the field of intellectual property and successful experiences in the region, the impact of intellectual property on productive development, innovation and progress, and round tables to identify synergies and common views for an agenda for action among national authorities in charge of international cooperation and intellectual property.

(197) ***Technical cooperation for the identification and characterization of specific molecular markers to diagnose and control dirofilariosis***

Number: INT/17/K11

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 100,000

Date of implementation: 2017-2020

Impact: Research findings and data contributed to the study of species-specific proteins from *D. renale* that may be useful as new diagnostic markers that could improve the designing of immunological methods for identifying exposed or infected animals, and also the development of immune- and chemotherapies against this pathogen.

(198) ***A proposal to enhance diagnostic capacities and increased awareness of Rift Valley Fever disease, in cattle, sheep and goats in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Turkey, Afghanistan, Palestine and Jordan***

Number: INT/18/K01

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 30,000

Date of implementation: 2019

Impact: A workshop about Rift Valley Fever was organized on 9-11 June 2019 in Irbid, Jordan with the participation of more than 30 scientists from participating countries, which drew attention to the emergence of the viral disease, its devastating impact on livestock, its spread from Africa to the Arab Peninsula (Yemen and Saudi Arabia), and its potentiality of spreading to other countries. A special session was devoted to the diagnostic capacities, sampling, transportation of samples, storage of samples, biosafety and risk reduction.

(199) ***Accessibility of financial services and the private sector in Africa***

Number: INT/18/K06

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000

Other inputs: US\$ 28,000

Date of implementation: 2018-2019

Impact: Through interviews and an in-depth study of the individual financial markets of the three selected African countries (Madagascar, Mauritius and Zambia), the project analyzed the specific Chinese experience and identified common issues, challenges and best practices in creating accessible and dynamic financial services as a primary means to drive new investment in the selected African countries within the framework of financial cooperation with Africa's development partners.

(200) ***Forum for the development of interregional biogas cooperation and capacity building***

Number: INT/18/K08

PGTF input: US\$ 29,000

Other inputs: US\$ 56,000

Date of implementation: 2018

Impact: A forum on Biogas Value Chain was held on 16-19 April 2018 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia with more than 200 participants from the Asia-Pacific region to promote inter-regional biogas cooperation and capacity building and exchange information related to exploiting the biogas value chain, biogas production and utilization, financing of biogas projects and programs, technical and safety matters, and competency building through training and development and the latest research and development and technologies on biogas.

(201) ***Training Program on Entrepreneurship Development through IT for OIC Countries***

Number: INT/17/K08

PGTF input: US\$ 28,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Date of implementation: 2017-2018

Impact: A training program in the use of IT was conducted that provided 24 participants from OIC member countries with presentations and recommendations aimed at assisting entrepreneurs in enhancing their business and marketing skills, expanding market opportunities, achieving online presence, use of social media and enterprise promotion and development.

(202) ***Research on economic diversification of land-locked developing countries: Case of Mongolia, Nepal, Bhutan and Paraguay***

Number: INT/17/K09

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Date of implementation: 2018

Impact: A study was carried out of the current economic situation of the four landlocked participating developing countries, identifying opportunities for export and market diversification and recommending the best policy approaches for economic diversification, which could also be beneficial for the governments of other landlocked developing countries in identifying appropriate paths to diversification.

(203) ***A Proposal to Improve the Practically Diagnostic Capacities and Increased Awareness of a Group of Abortive Diseases and Neonatal deaths in Cattle, Sheep and Goats, in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Turkey, Afghanistan, Palestine and Jordan***

Number: INT/17/K10

PGTF input: US\$ 35,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Date of implementation: 2018

Impact: A regional workshop brought together farmers, veterinarians, students and other stakeholders from the Middle East and North Africa region to exchange information and share expertise on animal diseases with special emphasis on abortive and neonatal deaths, as well as knowledge of new diagnostic techniques and approaches to control these costly diseases in the region.

(204) ***Innovative experiences in technology utilization in libraries of Peru, Uruguay and Colombia***

Number: INT/17/K12

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 27,000

Date of implementation: 2017-2018

Impact: The project contributed to strengthening the capacity of participating public libraries to use digital technologies and develop librarians' skills in traditional and digital literacy in order to maximize the opportunities that information access brings and extend inclusive access to information and technology to the local communities they serve.

(205) ***Effective microorganisms: production and application in agriculture, postharvest fruit and animal husbandry***

Number: INT/17/K13

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 38,000

Date of implementation: 2018-2019

Impact: The project evaluated the application of several microbial strains as effective microorganisms (EM) to demonstrate how EM could enhance the productivity of agricultural and animal husbandry in order to decrease the use of agrochemicals, thereby contributing to sustainable agriculture and food security.

(206) ***Sufficiency Economy Practices (SEP) in Community-based and economic development (CBED), International training course 2017-2019***

Number: INT/18/K02

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000

Other inputs: US\$ 70,000

Date of implementation: 2018

Impact: An international training course on Sufficiency Economy Practices (SEP) was organized in Thailand from 4 June to 5 July 2018 with 19 participants from Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Oman, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Timor-Leste and Viet Nam, providing an understanding of the SEP with a linkage to economic concepts and theories and community-based development.

(207) ***Microcredit and Sufficiency Economy Development***

Number: INT/18/K03

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 70,000

Date of implementation: 2018

Impact: A workshop on Microcredit and Sufficiency Economy Development" was held in Thailand from 2 to 8 July 2018 with the participation of 9 representatives from Asian countries, 1 representative from Latin American country, and 9 representatives from African countries, to share and exchange essential information relating to microcredit and sufficiency economy development as well as to help participants to better understand microcredit and sufficiency economy development and apply knowledge in their country.

(208) ***Integrated solutions to Great Lake Basin sustainable development***

Number: INT/18/K04

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000

Other inputs: US\$ 26,000

Date of implementation: 2019-2020

Impact: The project facilitated the exchange of experience of the Integrated Watershed Management of Poyang Lake of China utilizing the methods of integrated watershed management aimed at strengthening institutional capacities of local organizations and stakeholders from Kenya and Tanzania on Lake Victoria basin sustainable development through demonstration model/policy suggestion/project proposal for Lake Victoria basin sustainable development.

(209) ***Identify the new business model for African small hydropower development through technical assistance***

Number: INT/18/K05

PGTF input: US\$ 26,000

Other inputs: US\$ 74,000

Date of implementation: 2018-2019

Impact: A training seminar on small hydropower (SHP) sustainable development and investment was organized with the participation of the targeted countries (Ethiopia, Kenya, and Nigeria) to discuss and learn the practices of small hydropower financing model in China, with a view to identifying effective business models for small hydropower development in these countries. Surveys to identify potential sites for SHP pilot projects were conducted in Ethiopia and Nigeria.

(210) ***Seminar on small hydropower operation and maintenance for Asian countries***

Number: INT/18/K07

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 42,150

Date of implementation: 2019

Impact: A 3-day seminar on small hydropower was organized in China on 18-20 March 2019 with the participation of officials from 10 Asian developing countries to improve concept awareness and capacity building regarding the operation and management of small hydropower in the Asian region.

(211) ***Development of Se-yeast for nutritional therapies in neurodegenerative diseases (SE-Yeast)***

Number: INT/18/K09

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 78,150

Date of implementation: 2019

Impact: The project enabled the sustainable production of selenium-enriched yeast using cheese whey, a major dairy byproduct in Argentina and Ecuador, as a fermentation substrate. This approach supported the development of functional nutritional supplements aimed at slowing the progression of neurodegenerative diseases such as Huntington's Disease, while also addressing environmental challenges by reducing the pollutant impact of whey waste. Through the creation of high-value products such as Se-yeast-fortified beverages and yogurts with strong market potential, the project advanced cleaner production methods, improved resource efficiency, and strengthened South-South cooperation in the fields of biotechnology, public health, and environmental sustainability.

(212) ***Ecosystem services valuation network for the Gran Chaco region***

Number: INT/18/K10

PGTF input: US\$ 23,000

Other inputs: US\$ 27,000

Date of implementation: 2019-2020

Impact: The project supported development of a network for the exchange of information and training in ecosystem services valuation in the South American region of Gran Chaco. To this end, two international seminars were held which brought together representatives of the academic and the public sectors. The project also supported the training of researchers of universities of the Gran Chaco region in ecosystem services valuation methodologies as well as providing consultancy services to assess the ecosystem services in the Gran Chaco region of Argentina and Paraguay.

(213) ***Systematization of experiences that drive the permanence, reentry and completion of secondary education in Argentina, Uruguay and Brazil***

- Number: INT/18/K11
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,613
Date of implementation: 2019
Impact: An analysis and survey of public policies in the field of secondary education in the participating countries (Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay) was conducted involving collection and analysis of programmes and projects with recommendations aimed at promoting the right to education through actions oriented to the permanence, reentry and completion of secondary education.
- (214) ***Integrated community risk management of socio-environmental emergencies (with emphasis on flash flooding) in the southeastern sector of the Plata basin***
- Number: INT/18/K13
PGTF input: US\$ 23,000
Other inputs: US\$ 28,538
Date of implementation: 2018-2019
Impact: The project focused on the promotion of a community based early warning system for flash floods in targeted coastal or depressed areas of participating countries involved in the project, through a collective and continuous networking process of shared learning and the strengthening of social adaptation capacities of vulnerable communities to respond to and prevent flash flooding disasters in coordination with existing early warning systems deployed in those countries.
- (215) ***Prioritization of Aedes Aegypti control interventions and identification of information needs among Latin American decision-makers***
- Number: INT/18/K14
PGTF input: US\$ 31,000
Other inputs: US\$ 39,000
Date of implementation: 2018
Impact: A workshop was organized to undertake a policy dialogue between decision-makers and experts in Latin America and the Caribbean on priority-setting for interventions and studies on Aedes aegypti mosquito control. The workshop highlighted the crucial role of government leadership and inter-sector coordination between government agencies and civil society stakeholders for the implementation of integrated regional vector control strategies.
- (216) ***Epidemiology of brucellosis on the livestock, wildlife and human interface: Improving the diagnostic capacities of brucellosis disease, enhance the control strategies with social emphasis on farmers' awareness in the Bwindi-Mgahinga, Queen Elizabeth and Murchison falls conservation areas in Uganda, Parc National des Virunga (Democratic Republic of the Congo) and Nimule wildlife conservation area, in South Sudan***
- Number: INT/18/K15
PGTF input: US\$ 30,000
Other inputs: US\$ 49,121
Date of implementation: 2018
Impact: The project gathered evidence for informing viable control strategies in goats, sheep, cattle, and humans. In this context, project activities included isolating and characterizing the infecting Brucellae species in goats, sheep, cattle, humans and wildlife within Bwindi-Mgahinga, Queen Elizabeth, and Murchison Falls conservation areas in Uganda, Parc National des Virunga (Democratic Republic of the Congo) and Nimule wildlife conservation area, South Sudan, as well as increasing public awareness of animal and human brucellosis and the ways of preventing this disease in both animals and humans and improving the diagnostic capacities and awareness by health practitioners about brucellosis in domestic ruminants, wildlife and humans in the participating countries.
- (217) ***Training program on technology entrepreneurship advocacy and management of business incubation and technology parks***
- Number: INT/18/K16
PGTF input: US\$ 25,000
Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Date of implementation: 2018

Impact: A training program to promote entrepreneurship and new business development took place with 18 participants from 13 OIC member countries, which included presentations by experts and recommendations on a variety of themes related to business incubation and technology parks relevant to start-up businesses or early stage small and medium enterprises (SMEs).

- (218) ***Strengthening cooperation in trade infrastructure in Latin America and the Caribbean: Towards greater integration into value chains***

Number: INT/18/K17

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Date of implementation: 2018

Impact: The XXIX Meeting of International Cooperation Directors for Latin America and the Caribbean, held in the Dominican Republic from 6 to 7 December 2018, focused on the identification of the main opportunities and challenges posed by international cooperation, triangular cooperation and South-South Cooperation in strengthening trade infrastructure and on the presentation of the achievements made in the management of trade infrastructure through an evaluation of the status of execution of physical works and the use of information and communications technologies for the modernization of logistics processes, in order to make progress with efforts to achieve greater participation of the region in global value chains.

- (219) ***Use of plant growth promoting bacteria as biofertilizers to increase the productivity of sugarcane and other bioenergy crops***

Number: INT/18/K19

PGTF input: US\$ 23,000

Other inputs: US\$ 76,000

Date of implementation: 2018-2020

Impact: Conducted research on and evaluated the use of plant growth-promoting bacteria (PGPB) of the *Azospirillum* and *Gluconacetobacter* genera as biofertilizers to promote the growth and productivity of sugarcane and other bioenergy crops and their potential as a sustainable and viable alternative to chemical fertilization.

- (220) ***Development of sustainable methodologies for sugarcane phytosanitary management and biofertilization***

Number: INT/18/K20

PGTF input: US\$ 23,000

Other inputs: US\$ 45,000

Date of implementation: 2018-2019

Impact: Shared results of a methodology developed for inoculation of the bacterium *Gluconacetobacter*, a nitrogen-fixing bacterium originally found in sugarcane that provides significant amounts of nitrogen to plants, and assessed its implementation aimed at inducing resistance against the pathogen causing leaf scald.

- (221) ***Research on the existing small hydropower (SHP) standards for development of SHP international standards to facilitate orderly and healthy development of SHP in developing countries: International SHP standard framework design***

Number: INT/19/K03

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,000

Date of implementation: 2019

Impact: Existing small hydropower (SHP) standards and guidelines were identified, and a drafted framework design was designed to serve as a basis for the development of international SHP standards. Project activities included the organization of an international symposium held in China that was attended by representatives of participating countries to summarize the analysis and make recommendations on the planning and framework design for the international SHP standards, including design, equipment, construction and management.

- (222) ***Public-private partnership livelihood projects in Africa: policy and performance***

Number: INT/19/K04

PGTF input: US\$ 23,000

Other inputs: US\$ 25,000

Date of implementation: 2019-2020

Impact: Conducted a research study analyzing public-private partnerships (PPP) as an investment model and approach to implementing development initiatives and ventures between China and African countries, with in-depth focus on PPP projects in three selected African countries: Kenya, Rwanda and South Africa.

(223) ***Informatization and urban development for developing countries***

Number: INT/19/K05

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 57,000

Date of implementation:

Impact: A training programme was organized in China aimed at facilitating the exchange of approaches for constructing informatization infrastructures in the context of urbanization. The training consisted of lectures, workshops and site visits with a view to identifying best practices on informatization development, recognize concrete ways on how to use information technology to promote urban development and exchange views on how to balance the environment and social development in the era of information, and define strategies that promote smart city development.

(224) ***Workshop on promoting green growth and technology in food-water and energy nexus for countries members of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC): challenges and opportunities***

Number: INT/19/K06

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,000

Date of implementation: 2019

Impact: Through presentations and case studies, workshop participants from OIC member countries learned about the importance of the food, water, and energy nexus in managing the challenges in meeting the growing demand for food, water, and energy in OIC countries and how the nexus approach can enhance understanding of the interconnectedness of the sectors and strengthen coordination among them for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

(225) ***Energy utilization of citrus cultures residual biomass***

Number: INT/19/K07

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 63,775

Date of implementation: 2019-2022

Impact: The project aimed to address economic, social, and environmental challenges related to fossil fuel-based electricity generation by exploring renewable alternatives, specifically gasification of agricultural and forest residues, primarily from sugarcane. The main objective was to design a financially viable process for generating electricity from sugarcane biomass. By extending the project's findings to the citrus sector, including biomass collection and pre-treatment centers, the citrus industry could achieve energy self-sufficiency and overcome natural gas-related energy supply issues.

(226) ***Digital terrestrial television applied to the improvement of developing countries peoples: Argentina, Brazil and Cuba***

Number: INT/19/K08

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 70,200

Date of implementation: 2019-2023

Impact: The project focused on the development of content and applications for digital terrestrial television (DTT) in Argentina, Brazil, and Cuba. It analyzed interactive applications designed to facilitate access to information for social development through audiovisual content. The areas of focus included content and interactive applications with a special interest in assisting older adults with gait disorders (in Argentina and Ecuador), computer tools for developing interactive applications, and examining user experiences with DTT in terms of usability and accessibility.

(227) ***New challenges for the 21st century university: increase of enrolment, reduction of drop-out and digital literacy***

Number: INT/19/K10

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 28,000

Date of implementation: 2019-2021

Impact: The project demonstrated an increase in educational enrollment, particularly in higher education, across participating institutions from Argentina, Paraguay and Spain, and improved retention rates by leveraging the flexibility of virtual asynchronous and synchronous education. This flexibility helped overcome the spatial-temporal limitations of traditional education, allowing students to manage their academic, work, and family commitments more effectively. The project also highlighted the challenge of the digital divide, which remains a significant barrier to replicating and transferring these educational advancements on a regional and institutional level. In response, future strategies include enhancing digital literacy through a network of teacher trainers, creating an international digital skills training programme, and establishing a global reference network for implementing quality e-learning courses, all aimed at closing the digital gap and fostering 21st-century educational practices.

(228) ***Novel markers for early detection and treatment follow-up of echinococcosis: analysis of microRNA and protein secretion mechanisms***

Number: INT/19/K11

PGTF input: US\$ 28,000

Other inputs: US\$ 100,000

Date of implementation: 2020-2022

Impact: The identification of microRNAs (miRNAs) in human biofluids such as serum and urine has fueled extensive research into their utility as biomarkers for various diseases, including echinococcosis. Current diagnostic techniques often fall short in the early detection of infections, assessing parasite viability post-treatment, and accurately determining parasite burden or infection status. Investigating how parasites secrete miRNAs may reveal whether this is an active process or a passive release resulting from treatment-induced damage. Collaborative research has provided a detailed analysis of the small RNA secretome of *Echinococcus granulosus* across its life stages, although these miRNAs have yet to be detected in patient samples. Additionally, the identification of parasite-specific proteins, markedly different from host proteins, offers promising avenues for novel biomarker development. This work is paving the way toward more accurate and effective diagnostics for helminth infections, underscoring the importance of continued research into the secretome and its diagnostic potential.

(229) ***Irrigation and energy savings in 30° South latitudes: solar energy for vineyards in Argentina, Chile and South Africa***

Number: INT/19/K12

PGTF input: US\$ 31,000

Other inputs: US\$ 40,300

Date of implementation: 2020-2022

Impact: The solar technology project for vineyard irrigation in Chile, Argentina, and South Africa showcases diverse adoption and integration levels, mirroring varied operational scales and funding approaches. Chile, using primarily private financing, emphasized clean energy and sustainability. In contrast, Argentina and South Africa utilized a blend of mixed and public-private funding. Argentina faced unexpected additional costs and received public technical guidance during project planning. Distributed generation was the predominant energy management model, particularly in Chile, where concessions to energy companies were common and isolated generation less frequent. The project underscored the need for increased dissemination and technical support to advance and automate solar technology systems, indicating a shift towards more advanced irrigation practices and energy storage capabilities.

(230) ***South-South cooperation opportunities towards green fiscal policies: emerging evidence and lessons learned from South America and developed countries***

Number: INT/19/K13

PGTF input: US\$ 25,000

Other inputs: US\$ 30,000

Date of implementation: 2019-2021

Impact: The project advanced the understanding and promotion of green fiscal instruments across Latin America, with active participation from Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay. Through case studies, policy analysis, and high-level regional dialogues, the project identified fiscal tools to address natural capital depletion and climate-related liabilities, contributing to the design of more sustainable tax policies aligned with Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). It fostered South-South peer learning by generating and disseminating key research outputs, including working papers and a concept note, and by facilitating engagement with policymakers through major platforms such as the BAPA+40 Conference and regional webinars. Despite challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the project built momentum for an informal network of committed Latin American countries to exchange experiences and promote green fiscal reforms. By aligning tax and competitiveness strategies with environmental goals, the project enhanced regional capacity to meet international climate commitments while reinforcing South-South cooperation on sustainable development policy innovation.

- (231) ***A proposal to enhance diagnostic capacities of a group of neurological diseases in animals with emphasis on their pathology and epidemiology in Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Tunisia, and Turkey***

Number: INT/19/K14

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 32,000

Date of implementation: 2022

Impact: The project was successfully implemented through a regional training workshop that brought together veterinarians, researchers, and public health professionals from the participating countries. The initiative focused on strengthening diagnostic and epidemiological capabilities for major neurological diseases, with particular emphasis on rabies, Coenurosis, Listeriosis, and viral encephalitides. By facilitating knowledge exchange, hands-on training, and collaborative discussion, the project laid a foundation for improved surveillance and control strategies grounded in a One Health approach. The anticipated impact includes enhanced early detection and response systems, strengthened veterinary public health infrastructure, and regional harmonization of diagnostic protocols, all of which are critical to mitigating zoonotic disease threats, improving animal and human health outcomes, and advancing sustainable development and food security in the region.

- (232) ***Use of inhibitors tolerant yeasts in agro-industrial wastes to produce microbial cells with high nutritional value***

Number: INT/19/K15

PGTF input: US\$ 27,000

Other inputs: US\$ 75,000

Date of implementation: 2019-2022

Impact: The project aimed to identify and assess native or genetically modified yeasts that can efficiently grow on carbon sources found in stillage and lignocellulosic materials used in the sugar agro-industry. These selected yeasts were also required to be highly resistant to the inhibitory compounds found in these residues. Fermentation procedures were developed and tested for producing biomass rich in lipids, as well as valuable co-products like carotenoids and fatty acids, using these cost-effective substrates. Additionally, the project involved characterizing the pretreatment process for producing lignocellulosic hydrolysates.

- (233) ***Reducing Arsenic Exposure from Food and Water in Developing Countries – A Roadmap for Technological Solutions for the Future***

Number: INT/20/K01

PGTF input: US\$30,000

Other inputs: US\$65,000

Date of implementation: 2022-2024

Impact: Arsenic contamination in groundwater is a critical global issue, particularly affecting developing countries in Asia, Africa, and elsewhere, leading to severe health risks like cancer, cardiovascular diseases, and neurological disorders. To address this, the project focused on implementing low-cost technologies for arsenic removal from groundwater to reduce exposure through food and water. Key activities included an international

workshop and training programme aimed at sharing knowledge and building capacity which was attended by over 158 participants from 14 countries to combat this contamination effectively.

(234) ***Organizing a training on technical guidelines for development of international standards for small hydropower plants***

Number: INT/20/K03

PGTF input: US\$26,000

Other inputs: US\$54,000

Date of implementation: 2021-2022

Impact: An online training programme held from 5 to 10 September 2022 focused on the development of international standards for small hydropower (SHP) aimed at participants from developing countries. The training, necessitated by travel restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, was conducted virtually and included a comprehensive curriculum covering SHP technology, its green transformation, and the application of technical standards. Expert trainers led the sessions and facilitated online tours of SHP stations and manufacturers, enhancing the learning experience. A total of 26 trainees from nine developing countries participated, representing various sectors such as hydropower, environment, machinery, and standardization. The programme successfully disseminated SHP technical guidelines and standards globally, aligning with the Sustainable Development Goals, and received positive feedback for both its content and delivery method.

(235) ***Capacity-Building for the Industry Chain Development of Tilapia in Tanzania, Kenya and Uganda***

Number: INT/20/K04

PGTF input: US\$26,000

Other inputs: US\$48,250

Date of implementation: 2021-2022

Impact: Project leaders from the Freshwater Fisheries Research Center at the Chinese Academy of Fishery Sciences (FFRC/CAFS), under the aegis of the China International Center for Economic and Technical Exchanges (CICETE), conducted expert workshops and initiated innovative cooperation models with Tanzania, Uganda, and Kenya due to travel restrictions imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Collaborating with local educational institutes, the team implemented virtual and localized strategies to advance aquaculture education and practices. This included conducting surveys, establishing partnerships, compiling educational materials on tilapia, and providing training and financial support to local scholars. These efforts significantly enriched the content and expanded the impact of the fisheries project across the three countries.

(236) ***A proposal for capacities' development and strengthening in the educational communities vis-à-vis the management of invasive species in aquifer systems. The Argentinian, Mexican and South African experience in biological control and biodiversity***

Number: INT/20/K09

PGTF input: US\$20,000

Other inputs: US\$40,000

Date of implementation: 2021-2023

Impact: Originally focused on in-person engagement, the project shifted towards the development of a gamified (gamed-based) educational app, ESPECIES, which integrates environmental education and biological control concepts in an interactive and accessible format. This digital tool enables widespread dissemination of knowledge on invasive aquatic species, fostering systemic thinking and environmental awareness among students and educators. The app, complemented by outreach in schools, seminars, surveys, and educational materials, significantly broadened the project's reach, engaging diverse educational communities and promoting sustainable, low-impact solutions to biological invasions. Its scalable and inclusive nature positions it as a powerful resource for environmental education, with the potential for replication in other regions facing similar ecological challenges.

(237) ***Innovative mechanisms for South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Number: INT/20/K11

PGTF input: US\$24,000

Other inputs: US\$46,000

Date of implementation: 2023

Impact: The project was implemented through a high-level regional meeting that brought together representatives from 20 Member States of the Latin American and Caribbean region alongside major international and regional cooperation agencies. The meeting served as a platform to exchange successful experiences, institutional innovations, and best practices in SSTC, with a focus on strengthening regional cooperation frameworks, promoting private sector involvement, and diversifying funding sources. The project's potential impact lies in its contribution to shaping more inclusive, coordinated, and effective cooperation strategies that respond to regional development priorities. By advancing innovative financing mechanisms, fostering multi-stakeholder partnerships, and enhancing institutional capacities, the project supports the broader goal of accelerating progress on the 2030 Agenda and addressing persistent development challenges across Latin America and the Caribbean.

- (238) ***A proposal to enhance the diagnostic capacities and control of a Group of Chronic Respiratory Diseases in Sheep and Goats with Emphasis on Maedi Pathology and Epidemiology in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Afghanistan and Jordan***

Number: INT/20/K12

PGTF input: US\$28,000

Other inputs: US\$28,000

Date of implementation: 2023

Impact: From 14 to 16 March 2023, a research-training workshop was hosted at the Jordan University of Science and Technology in Irbid, Jordan, focusing on chronic respiratory diseases in sheep and goats, particularly Maedi disease, in the Middle East and North Africa. The event brought together experts in animal and public health to exchange knowledge on disease diagnosis and epidemiology, introduce new diagnostic techniques, and discuss the pathology and prevalence of these diseases. The workshop covered subjects such as enhancing laboratory and human resource capacities, raising awareness among stakeholders, and fostering communication between scientists, veterinarians, and government ministries across several countries, including Jordan, Egypt, Tunisia, Afghanistan, and Algeria. The workshop also produced comprehensive proceedings on the diseases' statuses in the region.

- (239) ***Exchange of technological services for the development of the wood and furniture industries in South America***

Number: INT/20/K14

PGTF input: US\$18,720

Other inputs: US\$22,770

Date of implementation: 2021

Impact: The project highlights include the establishment of a shared portfolio of specialized technological services, focusing on training, product design, process improvement, and testing in sectors like furniture and materials. A strategic territorial focus was placed on services in various regions across Argentina, Brazil, and Peru, tailoring them to national needs and operational capacities, particularly in the wood and furniture industries. A central goal was to enhance the impact on technological and innovation development across these sectors, targeting the specific challenges faced by smaller enterprises. Additionally, ongoing benchmarking and method adaptation aim to optimize service management and delivery, ensuring that these services meet the evolving demands of the industry efficiently.

- (240) ***Contribution of the microbial diversity of the soil to the efficiency of fertilization of sugarcane in a scenario of climate change***

Number: INT/20/K15

PGTF input: US\$20,000

Other inputs: US\$43,000

Date of implementation: 2021-2022

Impact: The project investigated the microbiota of bacteria and fungi in the rhizome of sugarcane plants grown in Brown soil with plastogenic carbonate, using various fertility research treatments in the Palma Soriano region, Cuba. It was found that fungi may play a crucial role in sugarcane, as their composition and abundance showed significant variations based on the different treatments applied. Beneficial microorganisms like Bacillus (bacteria) and Mucoromycotina (fungus) were detected in both the microbiota and mycobiota, although they were present in low abundance. The results suggest that adjusting certain soil chemical parameters could enhance

their presence, potentially promoting nitrogen and phosphorus incorporation in plants and improving yield. Additionally, the study proposes investigating the soil's respiratory activity as a biological indicator of its quality to further understand its dynamics.

(241) ***Bioactive molecules applied to sugarcane and microorganisms associated to its cultivation***

Number: INT/20/K16

PGTF input: US\$20,000

Other inputs: US\$45,000

Date of implementation: 2020-2022

Impact: The project was a successful collaboration among Cuba, Argentina, and Mexico aimed at improving how sugarcane plants are grown in laboratories. Scientists tested natural plant-based substances called brassinosteroids, which helped sugarcane plants grow faster, stronger, and with better root systems. These improvements made the plants more adaptable to real-world conditions and reduced the time and cost needed to prepare them for planting. The project also showed that using these natural products could reduce the need for chemical fertilizers and pesticides, helping to protect the environment. With these promising results, the project offers a practical and sustainable solution to strengthen the sugarcane sector in Latin America and could benefit farmers, producers, and rural economies throughout the region.

(242) ***Cooperation and inter American integration for the development of management alternatives for the citrus huanglongbing (greening) disease***

Number: INT/20/K17

PGTF input: US\$20,000

Other inputs: US\$50,650

Date of implementation: 2022-2023

Impact: Huanglongbing (HLB) is a devastating citrus disease that significantly impacts citrus cultivation and is transmitted by *Diaphorina citri*, with no effective cure found to date. This has necessitated costly and complex management programmes, including biological control. Collaborative efforts between Argentina, Colombia, and Cuba aimed to develop environmentally friendly and sustainable management practices to reduce reliance on harmful pesticides, which have led to ecological imbalances and resistance issues. Extensive testing was conducted to develop bioactive products for managing HLB and to assess their insecticidal effects on the lifecycle of *D. citri*. Furthermore, the project involved implementing biological control through the production of *T. radiata* and entomopathogenic fungi, training specialists and citrus producers, and conducting national workshops on alternative HLB management strategies.

(243) ***Cooperative action in recycling and reuse of olive mill waste for food and agriculture production***

Number: INT/20/K18

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$32,000

Date of implementation: 2023

Impact: The project studied the environmental challenges associated with the recycling and reuse of olive mill waste (OMW) in food and agriculture, emphasizing the need for a cooperative and transparent management strategy across Egypt, Jordan, and Tunisia. National reports from these countries highlight a data shortage, underscoring the necessity for better data collection and analysis. Research indicates that treated OMW can enhance plant growth and soil health, with specific concentrations of fermented OMW improving pod production and chlorophyll content in plants. Various filtration methods have proven effective in reducing contamination and enhancing germination rates and seedling growth, while the use of chicken manure in treatment processes significantly boosts biogas and methane production. Advances in nanoparticle technology also show promise in improving waste treatment efficiency, pointing towards innovative solutions for sustainable OMW management in the region.

(244) ***Seminar on the application of solar power technology for Asian countries***

Number: INT/21/K04

PGTF input: US\$24,000

Other inputs: US\$33,500

Date of implementation: 2021-2022

Impact: A seminar was organized that focused on practical knowledge sharing regarding the implementation of solar power technology, with the goal of harnessing solar energy for sustainable development in Asian countries. By utilizing solar power, economies and societies can work towards mitigating the impacts of climate change and advancing the global achievement of SDGs. Solar power was highlighted as an environmentally friendly energy source, offering significant advantages over hydropower and wind energy due to its adaptability for off-grid and on-grid applications, as well as its potential for integration with other energy sources like hydropower, solar, and diesel engines through hybrid development approaches.

- (245) ***Enhancing capacities in India, Myanmar, Nepal, and China to achieve sustainable agriculture and improved livelihoods through the development of mushroom farming***

Number: INT/21/K05

PGTF input: US\$23,000

Other inputs: US\$27,000

Date of implementation: 2021-2023

Impact: The project successfully built technical and institutional capacity for mushroom cultivation across the four participating countries. Through training workshops, knowledge exchange, and the development of cultivation protocols suited to local conditions, the project empowered farmers, particularly women and persons in vulnerable situations, with skills to produce mushrooms as a sustainable and high-nutrition food source. Demonstration farms and pilot activities helped disseminate best practices in low-cost, climate-resilient mushroom farming, thereby promoting food security, alternative income generation, and environmentally friendly agricultural practices. The project's potential impact lies in its contribution to rural livelihoods, gender empowerment, and the diversification of agriculture, offering a replicable model for sustainable development in similar agro-ecological regions.

- (246) ***Case studies on technical guidelines for development of international small hydropower (SHP) standards for knowledge dissemination and standard application***

Number: INT/21/K06

PGTF input: US\$24,000

Other inputs: US\$76,000

Date of implementation: 2023

Impact: In 2023, the International Center for Small Hydropower (ICSHP) effectively advanced the development of small hydropower through a series of strategic initiatives. This included a consultative workshop with experts from various developing countries, a focused training program, and the refinement of technical guidelines, resulting in enriched case studies centered on feasibility studies and equipment selection. The training programme, attended by 30 international participants, received positive feedback highlighting the practical utility of integrating real-world examples into the technical curriculum. The project saw the enhancement of these case studies based on participant insights, transforming them into more effective training materials aimed at promoting sustainable development practices in small hydropower projects globally.

- (247) ***Network of technological innovation in the study of parasitic diseases caused by helminths: Genetic and genomic characterization with a focus on human and animal health***

Number: INT/21/K09

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$100,000

Date of implementation: 2021-2023

Impact: The project aimed at improving the understanding and monitoring of a neglected parasite, *Diocotophyme renale*, which affects both domestic and wild animals, and occasionally humans, in Argentina and southern Brazil. Through regional cooperation and the use of cutting-edge DNA sequencing technologies, the project developed new tools to identify and study this parasite, helping to reveal how it spreads across species and geographic areas. The project also built local scientific capacity by establishing a specialized sequencing platform and training researchers in bioinformatics. Its findings offer valuable insight into disease transmission between wildlife and domestic animals, which is important for protecting both animal and public health. The project's impact is expected to support future surveillance, reduce zoonotic disease risks, and inform conservation and veterinary strategies in the region.

- (248) ***Prospecting of biofertilizers from Latin America rural and peri-urban areas for strengthening family farming***

Number: INT/21/K11

PGTF input: US\$22,000

Other inputs: US\$65,000

Date of implementation: 2022

Impact: Over a hundred participants, ranging from small farmers, women leaders, technicians, teachers, to university students, engaged in a series of training activities and seminars to promote biofertilizer utilization in family farming. Soil sampling efforts were carried out across various departments in Paraguay and Cuba, targeting growth-promoting bacteria like *Bradyrhizobium sp.*, *Azospirillum sp.*, and *Pseudomonas fluorescens*, capable of converting atmospheric elements into organic compounds for plant growth and producing biostimulants. These initiatives emphasized the significance of biofertilizers in bolstering family farming practices and empowering local communities through sustainable agriculture practices.

- (249) ***A proposal to enhance the diagnostic capacities, education, awareness and control of coronavirus disease (Covid-19) and mycobacterium tuberculosis in Humans and cattle with emphasis on pathology and epidemiology in Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Afghanistan and Jordan***

Number: INT/21/K13

PGTF input: US\$25,000

Other inputs: US\$25,000

Date of implementation: 2023

Impact: The workshop on "Enhancing Diagnostic Capacities of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and Mycobacterium Tuberculosis with Emphasis on Their Pathology and Epidemiology," hosted by the Jordan University of Science and Technology in Irbid, Jordan, took place on 26-27 September 2023. It featured speakers and representatives from the five participating countries. The discussions encompassed a range of topics including the integration of veterinary services in national health frameworks in Jordan, public awareness and rapid response to bovine tuberculosis, the interplay between COVID-19 and tuberculosis in Egypt, and regulatory and public health challenges related to tuberculosis in Tunisia. Additional insights included a study from Algeria on the potential impact of ABO blood groups on COVID-19 susceptibility and severity, innovations in tuberculosis diagnostics from Egypt, zoonotic potential of Mycobacterium in fish from Tunisia, and an analysis of COVID-19 genomic research and early response strategies in Jordan, enhancing regional knowledge sharing and collaborative efforts.

- (250) ***Capacity building on bioinformatic and genomic tools for biodiversity studies in Latin America***

Number: INT/21/K14

PGTF input: US\$22,000

Other inputs: US\$52,000

Date of implementation: 2021-2022

Impact: The project aimed to strengthen scientific skills in the region through a comprehensive training course. It included theoretical and practical modules on computing, genomics, metagenomics, and evolutionary biology, designed for participants with varying levels of experience. The course was delivered virtually over three weeks and involved interactive sessions, recorded lectures, and exercises accessible through an online platform. Out of 78 applicants from 11 Latin American countries, 40 participants were selected based on academic background and potential to apply the skills in their research. The initiative fostered regional collaboration and equipped emerging researchers with modern tools to study biodiversity.

- (251) ***Implementation of participatory methods which guarantee the prompt insertion of abiotic stress-tolerant genotypes and appropriate fertilization technologies in productive areas***

Number: INT/21/K15

PGTF input: US\$22,000

Other inputs: US\$105,000

Date of implementation: 2022-2023

Impact: The project achieved advancements in genetic diversity and sustainable agricultural practices across Cuba, Panama, and Paraguay, focusing on the participatory selection and improvement of rice, soybean, and tomato genotypes. In Cuba, new varieties were successfully incorporated into production, enhancing yields and reducing environmental impacts through the use of biofertilizers and reduced chemical inputs. In Panama and Paraguay, the project initiated participatory selection methods in genetic improvement programmes. Overall, the

project engaged a diverse group of stakeholders, including over 100 participants such as producers, researchers, technicians, and home managers, contributing to significant knowledge exchange and capacity building in all three countries.

(252) ***Development of markers for tests of endurance to sugarcane plagues***

Number: INT/21/K16

PGTF input: US\$22,000

Other inputs: US\$47,797

Date of implementation: 2021-2023

Impact: The project investigated effective inoculation procedures to study disease resistance in sugarcane by puncturing and rubbing leaves with *X. albilineans* and SCMV. Susceptible cultivars showed reduced stem length and diameter when infected, while resistant ones quickly activated reactive oxygen species for early defense. To identify resistance, the TRAP marker linked to the sucrose synthase gene and oligos Arb1 and Arb2 were used for leaf scald, and Lugol's histochemical staining was used for sugarcane mosaic. Successful implementation of these markers relies on crucial capacity building among project stakeholders.

(253) ***Rethinking climate change mitigation strategies by improving phenological adaptability and tolerance to abiotic stresses in temperate crops***

Number: INT/22/K01

PGTF input: US\$31,000

Other inputs: US\$50,000

Date of implementation: 2024

Impact: The project was carried out by research teams in Argentina, Uruguay, and Chile. It focused on helping farmers better adapt to climate change by improving the timing and resilience of key winter crops such as wheat, barley, and rapeseed. Scientists developed easy-to-use online tools (the CRONOS models) that help farmers choose the best time to plant based on weather risks, while field experiments showed how heat and flooding affect crop productivity. The results were shared widely through field days, meetings, and publications, reaching hundreds of farmers, technicians, and researchers. The project also expanded research facilities with a new plant growth chamber and strengthened regional cooperation among agricultural experts. Its findings offer practical guidance to improve crop planning and help farmers reduce losses caused by extreme weather, making agriculture more sustainable across the Southern Cone.

(254) ***Incubation platform for entrepreneurship and collaborative networks of popular, social and solidarity economy with a territorial focus – INCUBEPPSS***

Number: INT/22/K02

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 70,000

Date of implementation: 2022-2025

Impact: The project brought together universities from Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica and Nicaragua to develop and test a collaborative model for incubating social and solidarity economy enterprises. Through a shared digital platform, joint training programmes, mentoring, and communities of practice, the project enhanced the capacities of entrepreneurs and support institutions, exceeded its original beneficiary targets, and created lasting regional assets, including the ENLACES incubation platform, educational materials, and an academic cooperation network, that can be replicated by universities, governments and community organizations throughout Latin America to promote inclusive entrepreneurship, social innovation and sustainable territorial development

(255) ***Demonstration and promotion of high-efficiency rapid propagation technology of plant tissue culture in developing countries***

Number: INT/22/K03

PGTF input: US\$ 34,000

Other inputs: US\$ 165,000

Date of implementation: 2023

Impact: The project fostered the sharing of knowledge, technologies and practical experience in plant tissue culture among China, Pakistan, Egypt and Nigeria through joint training, demonstration activities and academic exchanges. The project enhanced the capacity of researchers, students and agricultural practitioners to apply rapid plant propagation techniques, promoted lasting technical and institutional collaboration among the participating countries, and laid the foundation for improving agricultural productivity, reducing the cost of seedling production, increasing farmers' incomes, and supporting sustainable agricultural development through the wider application of modern plant tissue culture technologies.

(256) ***Beyond Covid-19: How digital health promotes health system development in Africa (Uganda, Angola, and Ethiopia)***

Number: INT/22/K04

PGTF input: US\$34,000

Other inputs: US\$40,000

Date of implementation: 2022-2024

Impact: The project on how digital health promotes health system development in Africa, focusing on Uganda, Angola, and Ethiopia, underscores significant strides in integrating technology within healthcare frameworks. The growth in healthy life expectancy and urbanization, coupled with a booming middle class, underscores an increasing demand for medical services. Digital health, exemplified by medical imaging centers, has shown promise in addressing disparities in healthcare access and efficiency. The rapid adoption of over 120 technology-based solutions during the COVID-19 pandemic demonstrates the agility and innovative capacity of African governments. The support from Chinese entities has further boosted the development of digital health infrastructures. This project, through desk research and field visits, suggests the creation of new policies, tools, and financing models to enhance the affordability and sustainability of these services, aiming for a broader reach and more substantial impact on the health systems in these countries.

(257) ***Quinoa production for food security under drought conditions in Central Highland, Viet Nam***

Number: INT/22/K05

PGTF input: US\$ 32,000

Other inputs: US\$ 35,334

Date of implementation: 2022-2024

Impact: The project brought together research institutions from Viet Nam, Argentina and the Lao People's Democratic Republic to share knowledge, germplasm and cultivation technologies for developing quinoa as a climate-resilient crop for drought-prone areas. Through collaborative research, field trials and technology exchange, the project identified high-performing quinoa varieties, developed cultivation techniques adapted to Viet Nam's Central Highlands, established demonstration plots, and strengthened the research and technical capacities of participating institutions and local stakeholders. The project contributed to enhancing food security, supporting climate change adaptation and laying the foundation for continued scientific collaboration in sustainable agriculture.

(258) ***Obtaining derivatives of steroidal compounds for use in veterinary drugs***

Number: INT/22/K07

PGTF input: US\$31,000

Other inputs: US\$35,000

Date of implementation: 2022-2024

Impact: The project aimed to develop new anti-inflammatory and antiparasitic veterinary treatments using natural compounds derived from the *Agave brittoniana* plant. Carried out by research teams in Brazil, Colombia and Cuba, the initiative successfully isolated key bioactive substances and enhanced their medicinal properties through laboratory methods combining natural and chemical processes. Several of the resulting compounds demonstrated strong potential in lab tests, effectively reducing inflammation and combating parasites that impact livestock. In addition to its scientific achievements, the project strengthened local capacity through student involvement, training workshops, and researcher exchanges. Its outcomes offer a pathway toward more accessible, plant-based veterinary medicines that support animal health and promote sustainable farming in the region.

(259) ***Technical cooperation for research and development and implementation of railway inspection and monitoring technology***

Number: INT/22/K08

PGTF input: US\$31,000

Other inputs: US\$65,000

Date of implementation: 2022-2024

Impact: The project focused on strengthening railway safety and maintenance through advanced inspection technologies, supported the development and application of modern systems to monitor rail conditions, detect defects, and improve the reliability of railway infrastructure. Key outcomes included the transfer of technical know-how, joint research initiatives, and capacity-building activities such as staff training and knowledge exchange. The project's implementation not only enhanced local expertise in railway diagnostics but also laid the groundwork for longer-term improvements in the safety, efficiency, and sustainability of rail transport. Its impact is expected to contribute to more resilient infrastructure and better service quality for railway users in participating countries.

(260) ***Production of isolated sugarcane buds as a strategy for the development of the seed chain in Cuba***

Number: INT/22/K09

PGTF input: US\$34,000

Other inputs: US\$43,648

Date of implementation: 2022-2024

Impact: The project aimed to modernize and improve sugarcane seed production. By introducing the use of isolated sugarcane buds, small plant segments that can grow into full sugarcane plants, the project helped establish a faster, more efficient method of producing high-quality planting material. This approach reduces the spread of diseases, improves crop yields, and makes better use of available land and resources. The project also included training for technicians, the development of protocols for handling and planting the buds, and the successful demonstration of this method on farms. Its implementation is expected to offer a replicable model for other countries with similar agricultural conditions, contributing to more sustainable and resilient production systems.

(261) ***Workshop on digital transformation for SMEs***

Number: INT/23/K05

PGTF input: US\$33,000

Other inputs: US\$37,000

Date of implementation: 2023

Impact: The Symposium on the Digital Transformation of SMEs was held in Nouakchott, Mauritania on 11-12 October 2023. The workshop attracted over 30 participants from 12 countries, including Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, Egypt, Guinea, Mali, Mozambique, Senegal, South Africa, Uganda, Nigeria, and the host country Mauritania. Attendees included representatives from SMEs, chambers of commerce, and both public and private sectors. The workshop explored digital transformation principles and implementation strategies for the SME sector. Discussions focused on leveraging digital transformation to enhance data exchange and commercial matchmaking, thereby boosting the effectiveness and efficiency of SMEs. The symposium also included sideline meetings and resulted in recommendations for further enhancement of technological infrastructure and organizational portfolios across the African Region.

(262) ***Digital application capability building for developing countries***

Number: INT/23/K06

PGTF input: US\$ 29,000

Other inputs: US\$ 33,500

Date of implementation: 2023

Impact: The project strengthened digital application capacities by delivering four specialized training seminars in information technology management, e-government, e-commerce, and information security for 96 participants from 18–19 developing countries, including Azerbaijan, Botswana, Malawi, Zambia, Samoa, Tanzania, Ghana, Uzbekistan, Nigeria, Zimbabwe, Iraq, Lebanon, Nepal, Mongolia, Cambodia, and Laos. Through expert-led online training, case studies, knowledge exchange, and exposure to practical experience in digital transformation, the initiative enhanced participants' technical and institutional capacities to advance digital governance, e-

commerce, cybersecurity, and innovation in their home countries. It also fostered sustained collaboration and peer learning among participating countries, laying the foundation for stronger international partnerships, reduced digital divides, and more inclusive, resilient, and sustainable digital development aligned with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

(263) ***Capacity building on renewable energy development in the post epidemic era***

Number: INT/23/K07

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 30,000

Date of implementation: 2023-2026

Impact: The project brought together organizations from China, Sri Lanka, India and Cambodia to exchange knowledge, technologies and practical experience in renewable energy development and integrated watershed management through online seminars, technical training and field-based learning. By sharing proven approaches to green and low-carbon development, renewable energy deployment and ecological restoration, the project strengthened the technical and institutional capacities of participating organizations, fostered lasting partnerships and follow-up cooperation, and laid the foundation for the wider application of sustainable resource management practices that contribute to environmental protection, climate resilience and sustainable development in the participating countries.

(264) ***Development and application of solar pumping irrigation technology for the ASEAN countries***

Number: INT/23/K08

PGTF input: US\$31,000

Other inputs: US\$38,900

Date of implementation: 2023-2024

Impact: The project aimed to promote sustainable agriculture and energy use by introducing solar-powered irrigation systems tailored to the needs of ASEAN countries. The project conducted feasibility studies, designed demonstration projects, and organized a regional seminar to train and connect experts from Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam. The initiative helped raise awareness of solar irrigation technology, built local capacity for system development and maintenance, and facilitated knowledge-sharing among participating countries. Its outcomes support the adoption of clean, low-cost irrigation solutions that can improve crop productivity, reduce reliance on fossil fuels, and strengthen food security—contributing directly to sustainable rural development and the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in the region.

(265) ***Promoting the application and demonstration of multi-energy complementary systems in developing countries through a training program***

Number: INT/23/K09

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 50,000

Date of implementation: 2023-2024

Impact: Through a phased programme of needs assessment, curriculum development, expert-led virtual training, and post-training follow-up, the project strengthened the capacity of 25 policymakers, engineers, researchers, grid operators, and renewable energy practitioners from Egypt, Kenya, Madagascar, Mongolia, Nigeria, Tanzania, and Zimbabwe, with a primary focus on the target countries of Mongolia, Madagascar, and Kenya, to design, operate, and promote multi-energy complementary systems integrating hydropower, wind, and solar energy. By sharing practical experience, facilitating technical exchange, and fostering collaboration among participating countries, the project enhanced participants' knowledge of renewable energy integration, grid stability, and low-carbon energy planning, while laying the foundation for future demonstration projects, sustained institutional cooperation, and the wider adoption of resilient, low-carbon energy systems that support national renewable energy targets and the Sustainable Development Goals.

(266) ***Production of enzymatic biocatalysts (α-amylase, dextranase) from renewable sugarcane by-products using *Pichia pastoris****

Number: INT/23/K12

PGTF input: US\$ 28,000

Other inputs: US\$ 47,797

Date of implementation: 2023-2025

Impact: The project brought together research institutions from Cuba, Mexico and Costa Rica to share expertise and strengthen cooperation in developing enzyme biocatalysts from renewable sugarcane by-products using modern biotechnology. Through collaborative research, technical missions, and capacity building, the project successfully developed scalable production technologies for dextranase and α-amylase, trained a new generation of researchers, and established stronger scientific partnerships that support continued innovation. By enabling the production of environmentally sustainable biocatalysts from agro-industrial residues, the project provides a practical foundation for improving sugar quality and productivity, promoting circular bioeconomy approaches, reducing dependence on imported industrial enzymes, and facilitating the adoption of these technologies by other developing countries with sugarcane industries through continued knowledge sharing and scientific cooperation.

(267) ***High-yield vegetable cultivation technology training and promotion in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Angola***

Number: INT/24/K01

PGTF input: US\$ 29,000

Other inputs: US\$ 31,000

Date of implementation: 2024-2025

Impact: The project brought together organizations from China, Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Angola to share practical knowledge and technologies for high-yield vegetable cultivation through farmer training, demonstration plots, technical assistance, and cooperative development. The project directly trained more than 800 smallholder farmers, established vegetable cultivation demonstration bases and farmer cooperatives in the three participating African countries, and introduced improved cultivation practices that increased vegetable yields, strengthened local production and marketing capacities, and improved household incomes and nutrition. By developing a practical and replicable model that combines technology dissemination, farmer organization, and market access, the project created a foundation for sustainable agricultural development and food security that can be adapted and applied by other developing countries facing similar challenges in smallholder vegetable production.

(268) ***Training course on biogas plant design and construction***

Number: INT/24/K02

PGTF input: US\$ 30,000

Other inputs: US\$ 30,000

Date of implementation: 2024-2025

Impact: The project brought together institutions from China, Argentina, the Philippines, Samoa and Uganda to share practical knowledge and technologies for the design, construction and operation of biogas systems through training, field demonstrations, technical mentoring and institutional cooperation. The project trained more than 120 participants, supported the installation and demonstration of biodigesters in the participating countries, produced a practical training guidebook, and strengthened cooperation among partner institutions, enabling participants to adapt biogas technologies to local conditions for renewable energy generation, agricultural waste management and organic fertilizer production. By fostering technical exchange and collaborative learning among the participating countries, the project established a practical foundation for expanding sustainable biogas technologies, improving rural livelihoods and environmental management, and promoting the wider adoption of proven approaches by other developing countries seeking integrated solutions for clean energy and agricultural development.

(269) ***Capacity building for measuring, assessing and evaluating South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC): a contribution to the institutionalization and standardization of information to increase the results of cooperation in Latin America and the Caribbean***

Number: INT/24/K06

PGTF input: US\$24,000

Other inputs: US\$46,000

Date of implementation: 2024

Impact: The project focused on assisting countries in the region improve how they track and evaluate their development cooperation efforts. Through a series of workshops, knowledge exchanges, and technical support activities, the project strengthened institutional capacity to gather and use data on SSTC more effectively. Participants from multiple Latin American and Caribbean countries gained tools and shared experiences on how

to improve planning, accountability, and reporting practices. The project's outcome supports more transparent, results-driven cooperation, enabling countries to better showcase the value of their contributions and make informed decisions for future initiatives. Its impact lies in fostering a stronger, more coordinated regional approach to development cooperation aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals.

(270) ***Entrepreneurship for micro, small and medium enterprises' leaders – Finance***

Number: INT/24/K07

PGTF input: US\$30,000

Other inputs: US\$35,000

Date of implementation: 2024

Impact: A training programme brought together over 30 participants from 10 countries across the Arab and African regions. The training aimed to strengthen financial knowledge and decision-making skills among entrepreneurs and MSME leaders, covering key topics such as financial planning, risk management, investment strategies, and budgeting. Participants engaged actively through interactive sessions, case studies, and regional experience-sharing. The initiative built practical capacity for more informed financial management in small businesses and laid the groundwork for continued networking, collaboration, and future training. Its impact is expected to support more resilient and financially sustainable MSMEs across participating countries, ultimately contributing to inclusive economic development.

(271) ***Workshop on Agri-tech: the way to achieve sustainable agriculture***

Number: INT/25/K04

PGTF input: US\$35,000

Other inputs: US\$35,000

Date of implementation: 2025

Impact: A workshop, bringing together participants from several OIC developing countries focused on how agricultural technology (Agri-Tech) can improve farming, boost food security, and support climate resilience. Through interactive sessions on agribusiness, entrepreneurship, value chains, and innovation, participants gained practical knowledge and shared experiences on applying modern tools to traditional agriculture. The event also promoted networking among agricultural institutions, entrepreneurs, and chambers of commerce. Its potential impact lies in encouraging wider adoption of digital and sustainable practices in farming, empowering rural communities, and fostering international cooperation for modernizing agriculture across OIC countries.

(272) ***Characterization as biological pesticides of isolates of the symbiotic complex constituted by the *Photorhabdus luminescens* bacteria and the *Heterorhabditis amazonensis* nematode***

Number: INT/24/K11

PGTF input: US\$ 24,000

Other inputs: US\$ 66,000

Date of implementation: 2024-2025

Impact: The project brought together research institutions from Cuba, Argentina and Costa Rica to jointly characterize the biocidal potential of the *Photorhabdus luminescens*-*Heterorhabditis amazonensis* symbiotic complex as a sustainable alternative for agricultural pest management. Through collaborative research, shared laboratory testing, technical exchanges and open sharing of results, the partners successfully isolated and characterized a native bacterial strain, evaluated its effectiveness against multiple agricultural pests, strengthened scientific and technical capacities through training and outreach, and established lasting institutional partnerships. By generating knowledge and evidence to support the future development of environmentally friendly bioinsecticides while making research results openly accessible among the participating countries, the project laid a strong foundation for continued regional collaboration and innovation in sustainable crop protection.

2025 PGTF RESOURCES OVERVIEW

Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund

As of June 30, 2026

Assets:	US\$
A- Official Opening Balance as of 01 January 2026	8,225,599
B- Estimated Interest income for 2026 (***)	327,653
C- Total of contributions received (2026 YTD)	58,148
D- Disbursements (2026 year to date)	(114,781)
E- Adjusted Total Assets (A+B+C)-D	8,496,619

Liabilities:	US\$
F- Capital	7,000,000
G- New and On-going projects (updated reserve for commitments to projects approved before July 2022 for which programmatic activities are expected)	997,019
H- Closing projects (updated reserve for commitments to approved projects that have completed programmatic activities, or were cancelled, and are in the process of being closed - adjustments and reimbursements still possible)	0
I- Total Liabilities (F+G+H)	7,997,019

J- Balance of resources for allocation to 2026 programme (E-I)	499,599
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Contributions received in 2025		Contributions received in 2026	
GOVERNMENT OF ALGERIA	10,000	GOVERNMENT OF ALGERIA	10,000
GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA	10,000	GOVERNMENT OF AZERBAIJAN	10,000
GOVERNMENT OF AZERBAIJAN	15,000	GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA	10,000
GOVERNMENT OF CAMBODIA	4,000	GOVERNMENT OF PERU	16,373
GOVERNMENT OF COLOMBIA	10,000	GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA	5,775
GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA	10,000	GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOB	4,000
GOVERNMENT OF PHILIPPINES	20,000	GOVERNMENT OF ZIMBABWE	2,000
GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA	11,237		
GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND	5,000		
GOVERNMENT OF ZIMBABWE	1,000		
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, CHINA	18,000		
GOVERNMENT OF TIMOR LESTE	1,100		
Total:	115,337	Total:	58,148

A- As in statement of accounts signed by UNDP CFO

B- Projection provided by UNDP Treasurer

C- As detailed in the Contributions table above

D- As detailed in the Interim Financial Status Overview

G- As detailed in the Interim Financial Status Overview

H- As detailed in the Interim Financial Status Overview

* Contribution received but in the process of being applied to the PGTF

*** Preliminary figure provided to PGTF by UNDP Investment Unit



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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025
(in United States dollars)

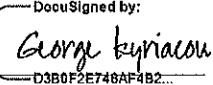
Opening net assets as at 1 January 2025	(8,164,868.66)
Add: Net Annual Contributions Revenue *	(115,336.62)
Interest revenue	(268,060.49)
Total revenue	(383,397.11)
Less: Expenses	

Project	PGTF Ref	Project Title	Implementing Agent	Business Unit	USD
00085922	INT/14/K03	Workshop on Capacity Building on Value Chain Analysis for Agribusiness	UNDP	PAK	21,997.80
00106153	INT/10/K04	Application and dissemination of reinforced fiberglass biogas digester for remote and low-income households	CICETE	CHN	52,178.42
00119023	INT/24/K12	Construction and validation of a methodology for digital transformation of localities in developing countries to promote their sustainable development	UNDP	ECU	21,600.00
00125986	INT/20/K17	Cooperación e Integración Interamericana para el desarrollo de alternativas de manejo de la enfermedad huanglongbing de los cítricos	Ministerio De La Agricultura	CUB	52.87
00130574	INT/22/K08	Technical cooperation for research and development and implementation of railway inspection and monitoring technology	UNDP	THA	5,535.68
00131601	INT/22/K09	PRODUCCIÓN DE YEMAS AISLADAS DE CAÑA DE AZÚCAR, COMO ESTRATEGIA PARA EL DESARROLLO DE LA CADENA DE SEMILLA EN CUBA.	CUB-ETICA ORIENTE SUR	CUB	8.93
00132202	INT/21/K09	Red de Innovación tecnológica para el estudio de enfermedades parasitarias causadas por helmintos: Caracterización genética y genómica con enfoque en salud humana y animal	ARG_Instit de Biociencias	ARG10	2,499.74
00132797	INT/22/K07	Obtaining derivatives steroidal compounds for use in veterinary drugs	CUB-UNIV. CENTRAL LAS VILLAS	CUB	254.52
00133404	INT/22/K02	Incubation platform for entrepreneurship and collaborative networks of popular, social and solidarity economy with a territorial focus - INCUBEPSS	Conversion Supplier - Atyrau Dptmnt of the Agenc	ARG	564.13
00133854	INT/22/K01	Rethinking climate change mitigation strategies by phenological adaptability and tolerance to abiotic stresses in temperate crops	Conversion Supplier - Atyrau Dptmnt of the Agenc	ARG	2,098.91
01000603	INT/21/K01	International youth leadership training for promotion of South- South Cooperation 3rd study session and training	BAR-Government of Barbados	BRB	22,500.00
01001315	INT/23/K12	BIOCATALIZADORES ENZIMATICOSINT/23/K12	ICIDCA-CUBA	CUB	5,949.44
01001472	INT/24/K14	Rescue of indigenous seeds and agricultural biodiversity as a strategy to mitigate the impact of climate change	UNDP	PRY	24,873.03
01002063	INT/24/K13	Intercambio Tecnológico Transfronterizo de Insumos Agroecológicos	Com.Trinacional Plan Trifinio	SLV	11,075.20
01002257	INT/23/K04	Procesamiento de frutas y cultivos horticultura para fortalecer la agricultura familiar en America Latina y el Caribe	UNDP	PRY	267.29
01002589	INT/24/K06	Capacity building for measuring, assessing and evaluating South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC)	SELA	VEN	2,376.00
01002859	INT/24/K11	INT/24/K11_PLAGUICIDAS BIOLOGICOS	CUB-Inst Nac Invest CaNa AzUca	CUB	8,353.73
01003405	INT/24/10	Evaluation of technologies for the extraction of natural products with organic solvents to be utilized in the pharmaceutical, food and cosmetic industries	ICIDCA-CUBA	CUB	7,364.59

Project	PGTF Ref	Project Title	Implementing Agent	Business Unit	USD
01004336	INT25K09	(9) Management of viral diseases affecting papaya through development of bio-inputs based on exogenic RNAs	CUB-UNIV. CENTRAL LAS VILLAS	CUB	9,526.81
01004602	INT24/K05	Genome-enabled precision diagnostics of the Algarrobo – Carob tree (Neltuna pallida) decline in the equatorial forests of South America	UNDP	PER	22,422.01
01004665	INT/23/K03	Increased preparedness and enhancing the diagnostic capacities, education, awareness, and control of Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever (CCHF) in humans and cattle, sheep, and goats with emphasis on pathology and epidemiology in Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt, Yemen, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkey and Jordan	UNDP	JOR	28,796.41
01004925	INT/25/03	Exploring diversity and nutritional content of chickpeas and lentils varieties grown and consumed in Levant countries: Implications of processing and cooking	UNDP	JOR	25,839.00
01005111	INT25/K12	Progress and challenges for strengthening the circular economy through South-South and Triangular Cooperation mechanisms in Latin America and the Caribbean as a boost to sustainable development	SELA	VEN	19,800.00
01005158	INT24K/04	A proposal in increasing innovative awareness and educational approaches of climate change, as a contributing force to food security, and improving the livelihood of vulnerable communities in Pakistan, Afghanistan, Yemen, Algeria, and Jordan	Association for Innovation, Action, and Production (AIAP)	JOR	26,732.60
Total expenses					322,667.11
Closing net assets as at 31 December 2025					(8,225,598.66)

* Represents the total value of donor contributions recognized as per due dates in signed agreements within the financial year, whether the cash has been received or not for the reporting period. Transfers to/from other funds and refunds to donors are also included.

I hereby certify that, in all material respects, the revenues and expenses incurred from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025 are in accordance with UNDP's financial records.

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 George Kyriacou
 Chief Financial Officer
 Bureau for Management Services