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Portfolio of the Ministry of Rural Development of Hungary

- Agriculture (including plant production and protection, veterinary, animal husbandry)
- Rural development
- Forestry
- Fisheries
- Food security and food safety
- Environment and nature protection
- Water management



International Cooperation



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Governmental Committees
Professional Authorities
Universities
Joint Programmes, Projects

Cooperation with FAO



Premises for FAO offices in Budapest

- FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia (REU)
- FAO Subregional Office for Central and Eastern Europe (SEU; merged to REU 2012)
- Shared Services Centre (SSC)





Cooperation with FAO

Scholarship programme for students coming from Low-Income Countries

- **MSc Courses:** veterinary, plant protection, agricultural engineering, animal science, horticulture, animal feeding, rural development, business development etc.
- **Beneficiary countries: least developed countries (LDC) in Africa, Asia and Europe (Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo, Macedonia, FYRO Montenegro, Serbia)**
- **Students from Serbia, Kosovo and Macedonia**

The costs are covered by the Hungarian Government

Cooperation with FAO



Scholarship programme

- **Costs covered:** tuition, books and notes, accommodation and social security, monthly allowance
- **Involved Hungarian universities**
 - Pannon University Georgikon
 - Szent István University
 - Debrecen University
 - University of West Hungary
 - Corvinus University
 - University of Kaposvár

Cooperation with FAO



- Financial contributions for the implementation of agricultural **development projects**
- Support projects for food security, sustainable rural development and the attainment of the MDG-s (Millennium Development Goals)
- **Ongoing projects for SWG member countries:**
 - **Organic farming – Serbia**
 - **Rural Development – Bosnia and Herzegovina**

Cooperation with SWG-RRD in South-Eastern-Europe



- **Standing Working Group of Regional Rural Development in South-Eastern-Europe**
- The Hungarian Ministry of Rural Development is an observer member since 2012
- Discussions with SWG and the member states in order to give technical assistance during the EU integration process



Multilateral cooperation

EU Twinning Projects

- Long-term capacity building for the national authorities in the fields of rural development, animal welfare, phytosanitary, food safety, fisheries, environment protection etc.
- **Ongoing projects for SWG member countries:**
 - **Paying agency – Serbia**
 - **Food safety and animal welfare – Serbia**
 - **Rural development – Kosovo**
 - **Phytosanitary – Montenegro**

Multilateral cooperation



EU TAIEX Projects

- Short-term capacity building for the national authorities in the fields of agriculture, rural development, animal welfare, phytosanitary, food safety etc.
- **Implemented projects for SWG member countries in 2012 and 2013:**
 - Study Visit on Common Fishery Policy, Budapest
 - Study Visit on best practices in diversification and development of rural economic activities, Budapest
 - Expert Mission on Animal Health, Zoonoses, Belgrade



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