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### Enhancement of Coffee Quality through Prevention of Mould Formation

**Project Update**

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### Current activities

- Field trials are winding down, analysis underway
- Focus now is on final testing of parameters of interest, e.g.:
  - | Defects and correlation with risk
  - | Fermentation vs. dry processing
  - | Processing practices in various countries
  - | Storage and transportation risks
- Results will help ensure evidence-based decision-making and recommendations


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### Current activities


- Socio-economic studies and market chain analyses in four countries
- Sensitization of Stakeholders Seminar – 8<sup>th</sup> October, Guatemala
- Training of Trainers' courses:
  - | 11-22 October, Guatemala – 7 countries
  - | 18-22 November, India – 1 country
  - | 15-26 November, Côte d'Ivoire – 12 countries
- Development of CD-ROM training tool and website




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### CD-ROM Training Tool / WWW page


- 'Reducing OTA in coffee' [Website](#) being developed in conjunction with training CD-ROM - complementary
- Focus of project has always been on prevention strategies rather than regulation
- Application of prevention strategies still the only available method at farm level to combat OTA
- Key legacy of project will be self-sufficiency in training by national authorities


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### CD-ROM Training Tool

- Project identified a key need for an adaptable, comprehensive training tool:
 

["Good Hygiene Practices along the coffee chain"](#)
- Type of material included:
  - | Full text documentation (regulations, Codex etc)
  - | Presentations (in .PPT and Flash)
  - | Supporting texts on key issues
  - | Selected bibliographies
  - | Photographs
  - | Terminology & glossary
- Both products to be released by end 2004


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