

PROGRAM FOR HUMAN RESOURCES TRAINING IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR OF MERCOSUR

(TC-98-10-44-2)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Executing agency:	Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Progress - Brazil (OISCA-Brazil).	
Beneficiaries:	OISCA-Brazil, the Colégio Agrícola Cooper-Rural (CACR-R), young agricultural technicians of Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay.	
Objective:	The purpose of the program is to improve the quality of human resources training in the agricultural sector of MERCOSUR and thereby to contribute to the modernization of agricultural production based on sustainability and preservation of the environment.	
Description:	The program comprises three components: Component I: Training course at the Colégio Agrícola Cooper-Rural (CAC-R), in Jacareí, São Paulo, Brazil); Component II: Training course at the School for Global Cooperation (SGC) of the Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancement – International (OISCA-I), in Japan, and Component III: Institutional strengthening of the CAC-R and support activities.	
Financing:	Modality:	Grant under the Human Resources Facility (II)
	Beneficiaries:	US\$2,600,000
	MIF:	<u>US\$3,800,000</u>
	Total:	US\$6,400,000
Execution period:	The execution period has been set at 54 months and the disbursement period at 60 months.	
Special contractual conditions:	The special contractual conditions are those precedent to the first disbursement: (i) formation of the steering committee, (ii) adoption by that committee of the program implementation manual, (iii) presentation of an agreement between OISCA-Brazil and OISCA-I in which they expressly assume joint and several responsibility for all the obligations they incur under the program, and (iv) hiring of a general coordinator of the program (see paragraph 9.1).	