

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

The topics covered by CIP's training curriculum respond directly to the Center's main research areas centered on the production and use of CIP's mandate crops and the conservation and management of natural resources. There is a growing demand for training on natural resource management in mountain areas and on conservation of root and tuber genetic material.

CIP leads training sessions and workshops, organizes and sponsors international conferences, and develops training materials. The 32 main training events conducted across the world in 2002 were attended by participants from 64 countries. These activities focused on research methodologies, tools, and techniques for developing-country scientists, and on capacity building for sustainable production, targeted at NGOs, government organizations, and development agencies. At CIP headquarters, individual training was provided for participants from 23 countries. CIP also supported training at distant locations by distributing publications and manuals, as well as through the use of electronic media, including downloads of manuals, articles, and reports from CIP's training website (www.cipotato.org/training), and e-conferences and workshops.

CIP continues to develop its website and interactive CD-ROMs to support training activities organized by CIP headquarters and regional offices, and by CIP-related networks.

Main group training events

Event (number of participants in parentheses)	External sponsors	Participating countries
Workshop on bacterial wilt detection and its application to potato seed production (12)	TCRC	Bangladesh
Advanced virology course (5)		Bolivia, Costa Rica, Philippines
Systemwide Program on Integrated Pest Management: Annual meeting of the Inter-Center Working Group of the CGIAR (19)	CGIAR, SDC	Benin, Colombia, Ecuador, Indonesia, Italy, Kenya, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, Senegal, Syria, Tanzania, Tunisia, UK
Workshop on participatory research, integrated pest management and varieties for industry, harvest and postharvest (14)	Fundación para el Desarrollo Regional, INCAGRO	Peru
World Meeting on Mountain Ecosystems (278)	CAF, FAO, Peruvian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, SDC	Argentina, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, France, Germany, Ghana, Italy, Mexico, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Puerto Rico, South Africa, USA, Venezuela
Course on improved techniques of sweetpotato production (59)	TCRC	Bangladesh
Integrated management of potato late blight diseases: refining and implementing local strategies through farmer field schools (11)	IFAD	Bangladesh, Bolivia, China, Ethiopia, Peru, Uganda, UK
Steering committee meeting of Vitamin A for Africa (VITAA) (22)	ISTI, Micronutrient Initiative, OPEC, USAID	Brazil, Canada, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Mozambique, Peru, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, USA, UK
Course on integrated crop management (70)	ICARDA, Ministry of Agriculture, Afghanistan	Afghanistan
Workshop on statistical analysis and experimental design (17)	ICRAF, ILRI, PRAPACE	Kenya
Workshop on application of molecular markers in agrobiodiversity conservation and management (19)	CTB, FAO, IPGRI	Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Spain

GILB conference: Managing the global threat (173)	DANIDA, Technical Centre for Agricultural & Rural Cooperation	Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Belarus, Brazil, Cameroon, Canada, China, Czech Rep., Denmark, Ecuador, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Luxemburg, Mexico, Myanmar, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Poland, Romania, Russia, South Africa, Sweden, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, UK, Ukrainian SSR, USA, Venezuela, Vietnam
Workshop on analysis of agroproduction systems (17)		Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Panama, Peru
Conference on alternatives for funding and investment in poor rural environments (62)	CONDESAN	Canada, Peru, Switzerland
Course on potato seed production in Afghanistan (38)	ICARDA	Afghanistan
Course on technology of autotrophic and hydroponic systems (8)		Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Venezuela
Workshop on genetic improvement and perspectives for the industrial use of potato (21)	FONTAGRO	Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Venezuela
Course on utilization and promotion of true potato seed (89)		India
Workshop on urban policy implications of enhancing food security in African cities (35)	FAO, SIUPA	Kenya
Course on cassava and sweetpotato research and development (30)	CRS	Uganda
Workshop on watershed management (25)	MANRECUR, PROMSA	Ecuador
Course on computer simulation and GIS (50)	DINAREN, INAMHI, INIAP, INPOFOS	Ecuador
International workshop of the China-ASEAN Potato Forum	Ministry of Agriculture, China	China
International conference on farmer field schools	FAO, Rockefeller Foundation	Indonesia
UPWARD annual review and planning meeting	UPWARD	Philippines
Course on participatory research and development	UPWARD	Philippines
Sweetpotato study tour		China
Workshop on sweetpotato IPM farmer field schools		Vietnam
Seminar-workshop on the potentials of sweetpotato in improving household income and nutritional status (15)	NVH Foundation	Philippines
Workshop on sweetpotato ICM project validation (12)	UPWARD	Philippines
Potato ICM project summative workshop (14)	UPWARD	China
Project team workshop for the development of an agrobiodiversity sourcebook (18)	IDRC	Philippines
Full names of external sponsors can be found in the list of CIP's partners (pages 100–103).		