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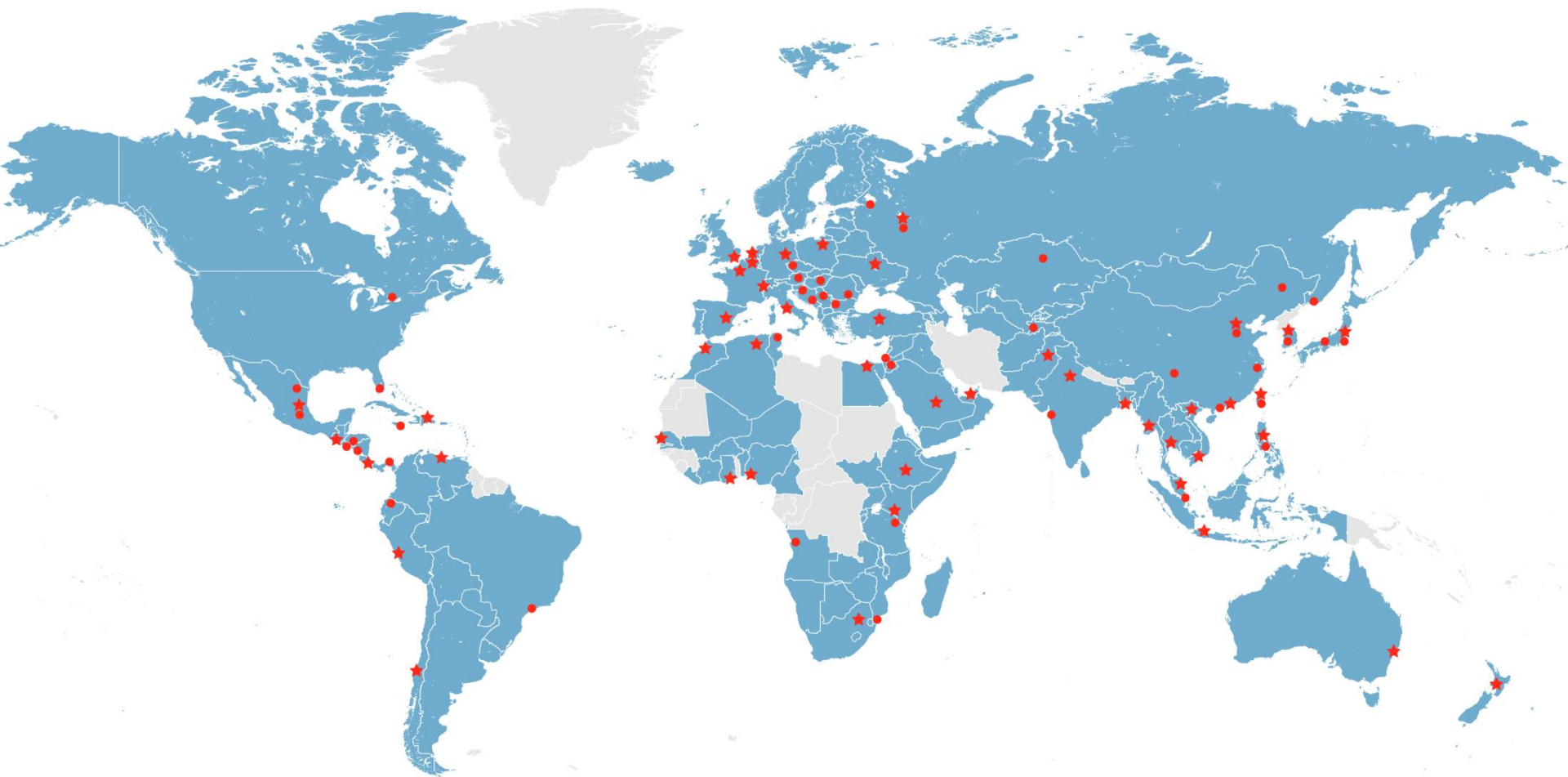


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Egypt

\$1.6 billion

U.S. Agricultural Exports, 2019

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Among U.S.
Agricultural Export
Markets, 2019



Export Growth

2009-2019



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Sugar: World Markets and Trade

May 21, 2020 - This biannual report, published in May and November, includes data on U.S. and global trade, production, consumption and stocks, as well as analysis of developments affecting world trade in sugar.

Grain: World Markets and Trade

May 12, 2020 - This monthly report includes

World Agricultural Production

May 12, 2020 - Monthly report on crop acreage, yield and production in major countries worldwide. Sources include reporting from FAS's worldwide offices, official statistics of foreign governments....

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Top Markets for U.S. Tree Nuts in 2019



- EU (Over \$3 billion)
- India (\$822 million)
- Canada (\$696 million)
- Hong Kong (\$692 billion)
- China (\$606 million)

Top Markets for U.S. Fruits and Vegetables in 2019

- Canada (\$3.4 billion)
- Mexico (\$803 million)
- South Korea (\$419 million)
- Japan (\$402 million)
- Taiwan (\$326 million)
- Hong Kong (\$205 million)
- Vietnam (\$140 million)
- China (\$118 million)
- India (\$63 million)
- Indonesia (\$59 million)
- Thailand (\$49 million)

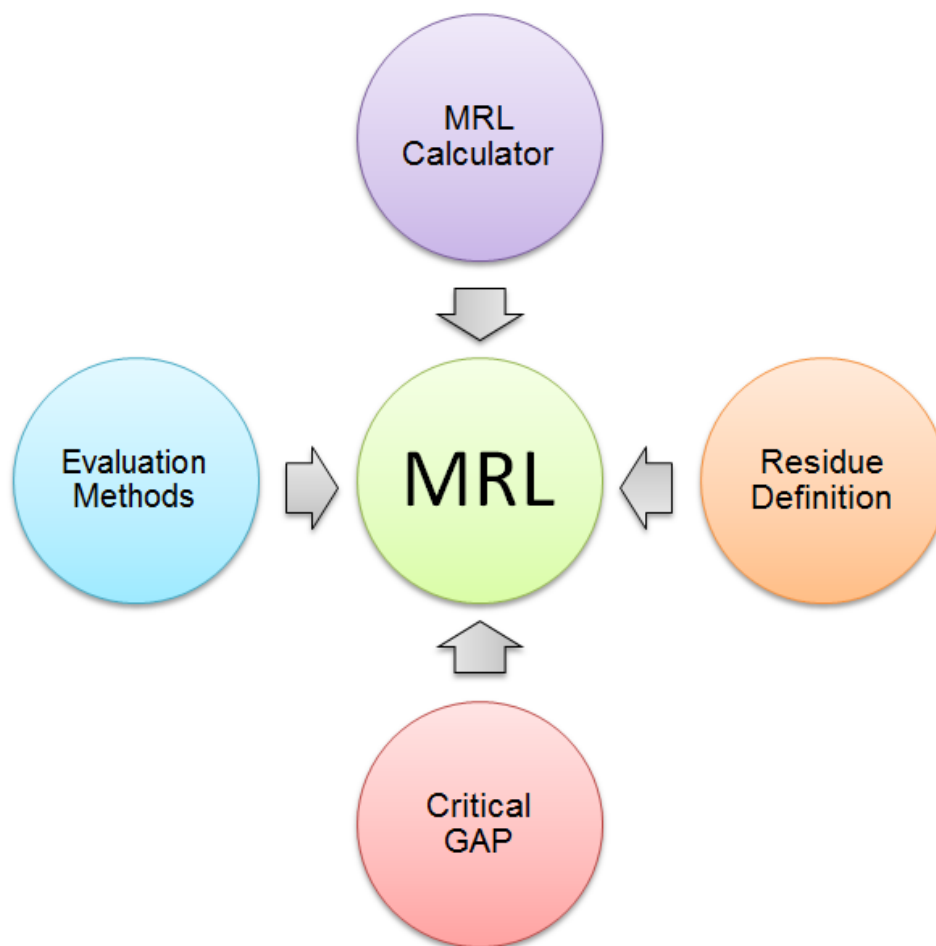


Top Markets for U.S. Grains

- Mexico
- Japan
- Taiwan
- South Korea
- Canada
- China



“Misaligned” MRLs



“Missing” MRLs



Asynchronous approvals
for new compounds

Reevaluation of old
compounds

Major MRL regime
changes

Themes and Challenges

- Disharmonized or missing MRLs
- Hazard based assessments
- Lack of understanding risk
- Public concern affecting policies
- Lack of import tolerance policies



Challenges in Top Markets

- Mexico's Glyphosate Import Permit Ban
- The EU's Hazard Based Approaches
- China's Lack of Import Tolerance Policy
- South Korea's PLS Transition
- Taiwan's Low MRLs
- Vietnam's Domestic Glyphosate Ban
- Thailand's Domestic Ban on Glyphosate, Chlorpyrifos, Paraquat
- India's Proposed Ban on 27 Pesticides

FAS Bilateral Engagement

- Comments to WTO Notifications
- Technical Exchanges
- Side Meetings during the WTO SPS Committee Meeting and TBT Committee Meetings
- Trade Policy Meetings, TIFA, FTAs
- Free Trade Agreement SPS Committee Chapter
- Interventions
- Others



FAS Multilateral Engagement



Asia-Pacific
Economic Cooperation

- Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues



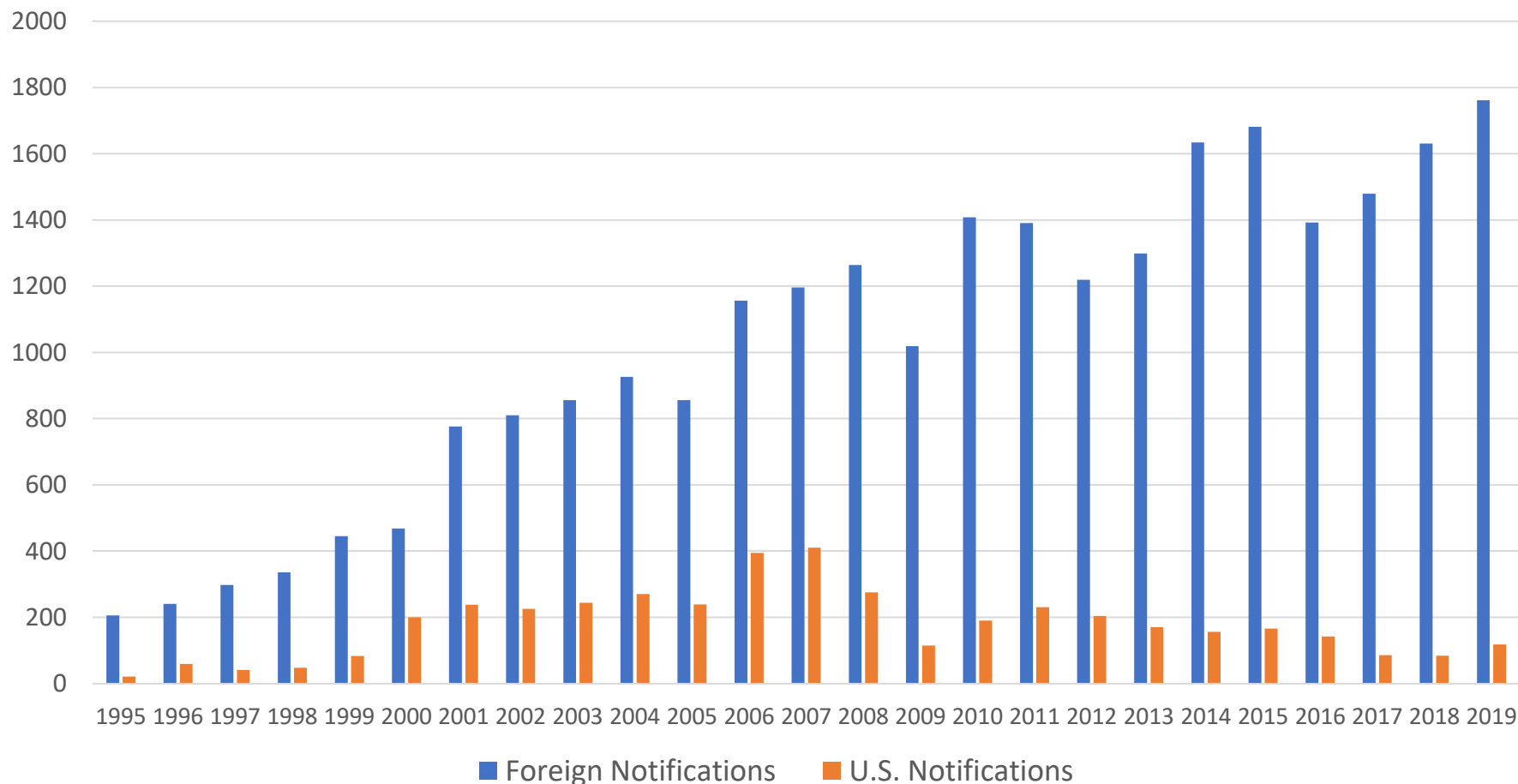
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SPS Committee Meeting

- Others



Growth in Notified SPS Measures Assists U.S. Exporters and Reduces Trade Disruption





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- FAS coordinates U.S. government responses to WTO notifications
- Assessment by interagency partners is included
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05/21/19	TBT/N/TPKM/347/Add.1	Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen, Matsu
05/21/19	TBT/N/TPKM/348/Add.1	Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen, Matsu
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GATS

Global Agricultural
Trade System

Current and historical data on international trade in agricultural, fish, forest and textile products.



PS&D

Production, Supply
and Distribution

Data on production, supply and distribution of agricultural commodities for the U.S. and key producing and consuming countries.

Featured Reports

Quarterly Agricultural Export Forecast

February 21, 2019 - FAS provides summaries of the latest USDA quarterly forecasts for U.S. trade in

Oilseeds: World Markets and Trade

May 10, 2019 - This monthly report includes data on U.S. and global trade, production, consumption and stocks,

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Commodities

☐ Apple☐ Apricot☐ Asparagus☐ Bean, field (dry)☐ Blackberry

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Active Ingredients

☐ 1,3-Dichloropropene☐ 1-Naphthaleneacetamide☐ 1-Naphthaleneacetic acid☐ 2, 6-DiisopropylNaphthalene (2, 6-DIPN)☐ 2,4-D

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Pesticide Data Program

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The Pesticide Data Program (PDP) is a national pesticide residue monitoring program and produces the most comprehensive pesticide residue database in the U.S. The Monitoring Programs Division administers PDP activities, including the sampling, testing, and reporting of pesticide residues on agricultural commodities in the U.S. food supply, with an emphasis on those commodities highly consumed by infants and children. The program is implemented through cooperation with State agriculture departments and other Federal agencies. PDP data:

- Enable the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to assess dietary exposure.
- Facilitate the global marketing of U.S. agricultural products.
- Provide guidance for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and other governmental agencies to make informed decisions.

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News & Announcements

- 04/24 USDA Now Accepting Applications of Seed-Propagated Hemp for Plant Variety Protection
- 12/17 USDA Releases 2017 Annual Pesticide Data Program Summary, U.S. Food Supply is Among the Safest in the World
- 05/16 USDA Announces Plant Variety Protection Board Appointments

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Market Access Program (MAP)

- Helps finance activities to market and promote U.S. agricultural commodities worldwide

Emerging Markets Program (EMP)

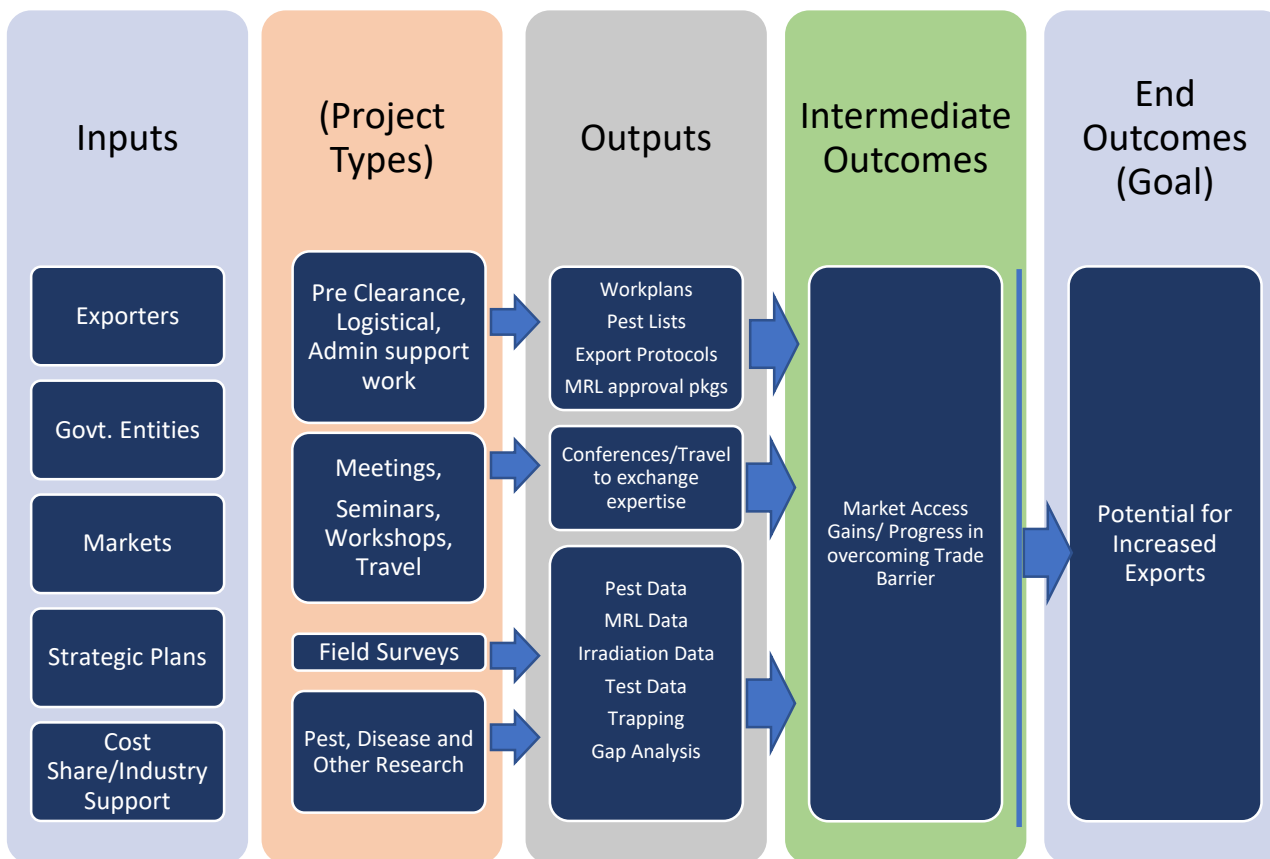
- Provides funding for technical assistance activities to promote exports of U.S. agricultural commodities to emerging markets worldwide

Foreign Market Development Program (FMD)

- Provides cooperator organizations with cost-share funding for activities that build international demand for U.S. agricultural commodities



Technical Assistance for Specialty Crops (TASC) Logic Model



Assumptions – Projects will address a phytosanitary or technical trade barrier

Factors (outside of our control) - Internal: Statute, Appropriation, Apportionment, Sequester, Title 31 USC (“Purpose Availability Rule”), Regulations, OGC Guidance, Federal Grant Law, Antideficiency Act Restrictions
External: Foreign Government Actions, Competition, Climate, Shipping



2019 TASC Grants Addressing MRLs

- Establish Permanent MRLs for U.S. Highbush Blueberries to South Korea
Maintaining Market Access for California Citrus Exports to Australia and South Korea
- EU MRL Early Alert System
- Grower Priority Database
- Establishment of Sweet Cherry MRLs
- Integrated Strategies to address trade barriers for export sweet potatoes from U.S.

FAS Capacity Building for MRLs

- Regional alignment of pesticide regulations and MRLs
- Joint data generation with IR-4 to establish Codex MRLs
- Support of the FAO/WHO Joint Meeting on Pesticide Residues



Jason Sandahl, FAS

APEC Projects

- December 2020 Enforcement of Pesticide MRLs (U.S. led)
- July 2020 *Virtual* Risk Communication Workshop (Australia led)
- TBD Grain Regulatory Workshop (Australia led)



COVID-19 Impacts

- Latin American countries request suspension of EU pesticide policies in light of COVID-19
- Port disruptions and congestion
- Food distribution disruption
- Disruptions to in-person engagements
- Meetings canceled or rescheduled



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