Competitiveness and Sustainability of Agricultural Chains for Food Security and Economic Development

Progress made in the implementation of the project

The Sheep Chain of Paraguay

FIRST, WE IDENTIFIED THE NEED TO:

1. Strengthen the “management” areas of the chain with full participation from the actors
2. Create mechanisms for training and technical assistance in order to improve the safety and management of the herds
3. Promote a training program for producers in topics related to management, technology, leadership, sheep production and management, trade, associativity, and other related topics
4. Promote associativity and strengthening of producer organizations
5. Create training initiatives and mechanisms to promote the insertion and consolidation of new sheep producers, including youth, in addition to leaders who will promote and manage quality
6. Promote, incentivize and support public-private associations among producer organizations, the public sector, meatpackers, input providers, traders, transporters, and other actors in the chain

NEXT, WE AGREED TO FOCUS OUR EFFORTS ON:

7. Strengthening of the chain management
8. Strengthening of AHFS topics
9. Strengthening of good production practices and access to markets
10. Impulse to technological innovation
11. We developed the base line study
12. We managed to institutionalize the sheep chain board with public and private actors.
13. We defined the 2017-2021 strategic plan to improve competitiveness in the chain
14. We developed a registry of producers and an inventory of animals
15. We implemented a plan for sheep health through an alliance with the National Quality and Animal Health Service (SENACSA), the Vice Ministry of Livestock (VMG), and the Paraguayan Association of Sheep Husbandry (APCO). A total of 226 technicians were trained
16. We put in place a capacity building process for implementing good practices in sheep production. A total of 150 producers were trained
17. We wrote, edited, and implemented a Manual for Good Practices in Sheep Production
18. Strengthen and accompany the sheep board, through a strategy and an action plan
19. Implementation of a plan to strengthen capacities in animal health and food safety control
20. Support for management of financial cooperation from the IDB, FONPLATA, and the European Union

AND THEN, WE BEGAN TO ACHIEVE RESULTS:

Commitment: Results

Our Commitment: Results

Work carried out by IICA under the Flagship Project on Agricultural Chains, together with counterparts, partners and key chain stakeholders

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