ANALYSIS OF THE KEY FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STDF EXTERNAL PROJECT EVALUATIONS

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• The purpose of this assignment is to prepare a report analysing and synthesising key findings, experiences and recommendations from STDF external project evaluations.

• The meta-evaluation report will be prepared on the basis of an in-depth review and analysis of the individual project evaluation reports.
## Meta evaluation process

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The reports

Sector distribution

- Food Safety, 5
- General SPS, 6
- Animal Health, 4
- Plant Health, 8
- Institution building, 6
- Training, study, research, 6
- Capacity building, 11
- Global SPS, 6

Geographic distribution

- Global, 5
- Africa, 7
- Latin America and Caribbean, 4
- Asia-Pacific, 7

Main approach

- Institution building, 6
- Training, study, research, 6
- Capacity building, 11
- Food Safety, 5
- General SPS, 6
- Animal Health, 4
- Plant Health, 8

No reports: 23 reports
Average length of report: 18 pages
Average time elapsed since end of project: 2 years
A condensed programme theory for STDF projects

The realist question: “What works for whom in what circumstances, in what respects and how?”

Activity/outputs
- Institution-building
- Capacity-building
- Training, study, etc

Outcome levels
- System
- Organization
- Individual

Change in behaviour
- Public
- Private
- Citizens

Impact
- Market access
- SPS situation
- Poverty reduction

Context

Time