

Taiwan Swine Producers Continue To Benefit From USSEC's Animal Utilization Training Seminars

USSEC conducted a series of technical exercises in Taiwan, including a three-day training program for veterinarians servicing the swine market, and two technical seminars for 600 swine producers. Teaming with the Swine Association of the Republic of China and the Animal Technology Institute of Taiwan, USSEC hosted Dr. Darin Madson, a veterinary pathologist at Iowa State University, as the major trainer for a systemic introduction of the newest swine diseases and medication suggestions for controlling these diseases. The two technical seminars were designed to spread new swine management technologies for improving productivity. Dr. Madson had provided on-site consultations on four major swine farms in central and southern Taiwan back in April. Meanwhile, USB Director Bill Wiley and USSEC staff visited Chang Y.C., chairman of China's Federation of Swine Cooperative (FSC) to review the results of the USSEC's Animal Utilization projects and to discuss maintaining USSEC's relationship with Taiwan's swine industry. FSC has long been a supporter of soy meals processed from imported U.S. soybeans. Last year, Taiwan imported 58 million bushels of U.S. soybeans. With a history of successfully assisting the local animal industry and maintaining relations, USSEC is now working with China's FSC to plan a two-day farm management training camp in August and a Poultry Disease Seminar with National Pingtung University of Science and Technology, also set for August.



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