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# SPS Needs and Solutions

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## Common Problems and Regional Approaches: Solutions for SPS Market Access Barriers for Central America

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- I. Institutional Strengthening
- II. Animal Products
- III. Fish Products
- IV. Plant Products
- V. Processed Products
- VI. Certification

- I. Inspection, Monitoring and Control
  - Import control and quarantine
  - Field assessments
  - Risk assessment and mediation
  - Pest and disease free areas
- II. Laboratories and Certification
  - Expansion and Coordination
- III. Intra-Regional trade
  - Barriers to trade gains
  - Threat to admissability

- I. Disease Control
  - FMD/BSE
  - Brucellosis/Tuberculosis
  - Classical Swine Fever
  - Newcastle Disease
  - Avian Influenza
- II. Food Safety
  - U.S. equivalence
  - EU approval
- III. Certification
  - FMD/BSE
  - Slaughter houses/packing plants

- I. Food Safety
  - EU equivalence
  - U.S. inspections
- II. Laboratories
  - Residue testing and missing links
  - Regional coordination

- I. Pest and Disease Control
  - Fruit flies
  - Mediation techniques
- II. Quality and Safety
  - Process Improvements
  - Certification
- III. Admissability
  - Risk Assessments
  - Risk Mediation
  - Process Challenges

- I. Food safety
  - Import inspections
  - Process Requirements
- II. Technical standards
  - Labeling
  - Plant/product registrations
  - Food coloring
  - Residues
- III. Quality

- I. Accredited entities
  - Trend in government requirements
  - Practical need to meet private standards
- II. Process certifications
  - Traceability
  - Organic
  - Good practices
- III. Quality certifications
  - Government standards
  - Private standards
  - Differentiation premia