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December 7, 2010, GROTO Briefings at US Department of State, US Department of Agriculture and The Embassy of Panama on Sustainable Innovation, Policy and Trade Opportunities.



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We are pleased to announce a series of briefings on sustainable innovation and trade. Programs will review U.S. and international opportunities in renewable energy, climate change and partnerships to advance sustainable life styles with governments and multinational corporations across the globe.

The series will focus on economic policy, including energy and S&T issues; and help innovators, investors and other leaders in sustainable development, navigate successful strategies to expand market share opportunities.



State Department policy directors brief GROTO delegates on international agreements effecting economic opportunity in the Western Hemisphere and global sustainability. The Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas allows governments, Inter American organizations, private industry, and civil society to lead or participate in initiatives focused on energy efficiency, renewable energy, cleaner fossil fuels, carbon credits, infrastructure, energy poverty, sustainable forest and land use, and adaptation.



USDA NIFA Managers and the Special Assistant to the Secretary for Alternative Energy Policy along with ITA Trade Specialist review FY 2011 innovation program budgets projections and opportunities.



H.E Jaime Aleman welcomes Groto delegates to the Embassy of Panama, as they prepare for the February 2011 trade mission.



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March 21st, 2011

USDA/ARS/FAS Briefings and Tour
ARS Headquarters, National Visitor Center
and the Beltsville Agriculture Research Center



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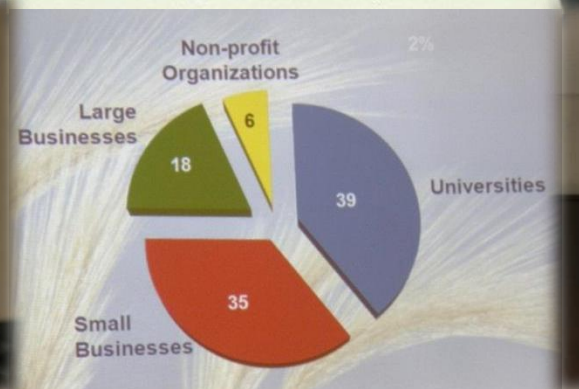


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TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER OUTPOST *for Life*

Monday March 21, 2011



GROTTO delegates were briefed on USDA ARS and FAS programs and potential global partnerships for technology transfer innovation for sustainability solutions. The Embassies of: Australia, Dominican Republic, Germany, Honduras, and Saudi Arabia along with interested business representatives from Italy were in attendance. The Embassies of; Belgium, Chile, Columbia, Denmark, Morocco, Panama, Paraguay, Poland and Sweden dispatched representatives slated for follow-up of the USDA GROTTO briefings and the next GROTTO venues.



Cochran Country Eligibility
Participants per Region

Country eligibility:
- Middle-income
OR
- Emerging democracy
OR
- Emerging market

Region	Percentage
EE & Eurasia	30%
Asia	21%
LAC	21%
Africa & Middle-East	28%

USDA



After the USDA briefings at the George Washington Carter facilities, GROTTO delegates boarded the soybean powered biodiesel tour bus to investigate the ARS National Visitor Center. Once there, delegates would learn of ARS research and the applications from that research for both utilitarian use and products for human and animal consumption.

