

## IPM CRSP Trip Report

**Country Visited:** Mali, West Africa

**Dates of Travel:** September 25 - October 10, 2011

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**Purpose of Trip:** Pesticide safety education program support: collaborate with Malian pesticide safety educators and agricultural researchers; make final preparations for and conduct a national workshop for pesticide safety trainers; work on additional program support materials as well as translations of existing print resources

**Sites Visited:** in Bamako:  
Institut d'Economie Rurale / Sotuba  
Office de la Haute Vallée du Niger

### Description of Activities/Observations:

@ Institut d'Economie Rurale/Sotuba: workshop plans

@ Office de la Haute Vallée du Niger: workshop preparation, delivery, and wrap-up; lesson plan development; meeting with and text preparation for Direction Nationale de l'Alphabétisation Fonctionnelle et de la Linguistique Appliquée (DNAFLA) translators; meetings with OHVN Directeur Général and Controller/Accountant

### Accomplishments:

- 1.) Held a national workshop for pesticide safety trainers
- 2.) Initiated a working relationship with new partner organizations: the Office du Niger (ON), Office de la Protection des Végétaux (OPV), and Peace Corps
- 3.) Revised and gave text to DNAFLA translators in order to produce existing print materials in two additional local languages: Senofou and Peul (also called Fulfulde or Pular)

### Training Activities Conducted:

Program type (workshop, seminar, field day, short course, etc.)	Dates	Audience	Number of Participants		Training Providers (US university, host country institution, etc.)	Training Objective
			Men	Women		
National Workshop: Pesticide Safety Trainers	4-6 October, 2011	Malian agricultural researchers and educators: OHVN IER ON OPV Peace Corps	18	6	Office de la Haute Vallée du Niger (OHVN), Institut d'Economie Rurale (IER), and Virginia Tech	Diffusion / expansion of pesticide safety training opportunities for farmers via new partner organizations; increase in number of competent, practicing pesticide safety educators

### Suggestions, Recommendations, and/or Follow-up Items:

VT-IER-OHVN team will continue to develop program support materials and conduct pesticide safety/IPM training in Mali, using the “train the trainer” model.

IER and OHVN should be recognized as the lead agencies for IPM and pesticide safety education in Mali.

VT-IER-OHVN team will continue to contact, work with, and train trainers who work for other agencies and production regions in Mali.

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