

## Regional Agricultural Program

The Regional Agricultural Program, in which Egypt, Jordan, Israel, and the Palestinian Authority participate, with Denmark as the initiator and main supporter, is well into its second five-year phase. The program is comprised of six main subjects of agricultural development and is governed by a semi-annual steering committee with representatives of all partners. This unique program is being carried out under the sponsorship of the Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA), and encompasses a number of topics in the field of agriculture: small ruminants, dryland agriculture, saline and marginal water resources, post-harvest technology and marketing, and aquaculture. The program was established in 2000, and has been successfully carried out even during times of regional tensions. It includes on-site and regional training programs, meetings between experts, joint applied research, publication of guidelines and participation in international conferences.

During 2010, some 109 participants took part in regional courses that were conducted in Israel on Low Cost Fodder, Dryland Agriculture, Post Harvest and Marketing, Marginal Water and Small Ruminants and 11 meetings of partner experts were held, as were two meetings of the Program's Steering Committee. A third phase, for the years 2011-2013 was approved by the Danish government.



### Egypt

<b>PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL</b>	<b>19</b>
Agriculture	19

<b>SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCIES</b>	<b>5</b>
Agriculture	5



### Jordan

<b>PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL</b>	<b>98</b>
Agriculture	86
Regional Planning	2
Community Development	1
Gender Issues	9

<b>ON-THE-SPOT COURSES</b>	<b>1</b>
Science and Technology	1
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>SHORT-TERM CONSULTANCIES</b>	<b>12</b>
Agriculture	11
Management	1

### ISRAEL-JORDAN JOINT PROJECTS

**Beekeeping:** MASHAV provides knowhow and expertise to the project located near the city of Irbid. The project involves upgrade of local bee stock and research.

**Olive Trees Growing in Arid Zones:** Israel and Jordan renewed cooperation at the Mafrak Research Station to improve soil quality for growing olive trees. The project includes transfer of Israeli knowhow regarding irrigation with brackish water.

## Palestinian Authority

<b>PARTICIPANTS IN ISRAEL</b>	<b>260</b>
Agriculture	142
Education	33
Gender Issues	51
Small and Medium Enterprises	34

### Seminars for Palestinian and Israeli Women

The joint seminars 'Women Building a New Reality', begun as a direct consequence of the 2003 International Women Leaders' Conference on Women's Voice in Conflict Resolution and Peace Building. Five seminars took place in 2010, one with special emphasis on leadership and another designed for the particular interest of educators.