



**Activity Title and Number:** Study assignment on Standards, Food safety and Risk Regulation, A364-C3

**Beneficiary:** National Health and Family Planning Commission (NHFP), Chinese Food and Drug Administration (CFDA)

**Location and Date:** Spain; 21-25 July 2014.

**Stakeholders:** General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine (AQSIQ); food producer associations and industry

## Brief Activity Report

### Relevance and Impact

The EU has one of the highest food safety standards in the world, and a stable risk assessment system has been one of the main pillars to ensure these high standards are maintained. Drawing on EU expertise in this area, the 2012 dialogues between the DG SANCO and NHFP focused on developing standard reviews based on sound risk assessment and regulations to ensure food safety in China.

To assist China's food safety priorities and to respond to the request made by NHFP and CFDA to provide capacity building in this area, EUCTPII organised a study assignment to enhance the capacity of the Chinese authorities in developing and enforcing food safety policies.

### Activity Description

The Chinese delegates participated in the Summer Academy in Global Food Law & Policy in Spain which brought together practitioners, policy-makers, industry representatives and leading academics working in the field of food law and policy. This assignment provided a unique opportunity for professional development and networking in an inter-disciplinary setting. The main themes were:

- The International Food Regime
- The WTO's role in the regulation of food
- Definitions of food safety and food security
- Insider Views Into Global Food Law and Policy
- The impact of the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) on the global food supply
- Comparative Approaches of US and EU Food Regulatory Regimes
- Commercial practices along the food supply chain
- The role of food private standards in the global food supply chain
- A grassroots perspective of food distribution
- FSMA Hazard Analysis and Risk-based Preventive Controls.



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### Results and Dissemination

- ✓ The participant enhanced their knowledge and skills regarding the analysis and development of international regulations governing food risk and the challenges to enforce them at domestic and international level.
- ✓ The delegation established professional links with EU and global leaders in the area of risk governance.