

NEWSLETTER

SHARING THE AUSTRIAN EXPERIENCE



While the implementation of the Establishment of a Functional Animal Identification and Registration (AIR) System in Armenia Project funded by the Austrian Development Agency, is intensely progressing in the Republic of Armenia, it is essential to strengthen the technical and organizational capacities of state officials, veterinarians and farmers on AIR, food safety, farm management, animal pedigree breeding, environmental protection and animal welfare/protection. It is also vital to study the practice of the countries having the AIR system in place to gain the proper knowledge and learn about the possible drawbacks and challenges.

Highly valuing the Austrian experience in implementing the Animal Identification and Registration system, a study tour to Austria was organized for the government officials involved in the Project.





The delegation members had a chance to visit the state Agrarmarkt Austria organization responsible for the identification, registration, and information databases, the State Agency for Food and Health, to familiarize themselves with the Austrian management model and database management, the basics of slaughterhouse and farm management and the sequence of processes, the laws and regulations in force in the country. Similar visits are crucial for the efficient and well-aimed implementation of the system in the RA.



“ADA and CARD are our 24/7 partners, and every day is full of reasons to be thankful to them. We can’t imagine the implementation of the Program without their support”.

Garnik Hovhannisyan
Director
Agricultural Service Center SNCO

“The study visit involved targeted meetings and topical discussions, enabling us to gain an insight into the entire value chain of livestock management, breed improvement, disease control, and food safety organization in the given country. I sincerely hope that the information obtained will foster the smooth and effective implementation of the Animal Identification and Registration Program in the country. We are so grateful to ADA and CARD for the provided opportunity”.

Levon Ter Isahakyan
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