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### Development of fruit and vegetable processing sectors in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan (DFVP)

**Dushanbe, 16 March 2015** – The 4<sup>th</sup> capacity building session on food safety/HACCP (Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points) and marketing in the framework of the "Development of Fruit and Vegetable (F&V) Processing Sector in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan" project takes place in conference room of the Microfinance Educational and Development Centre of the Republic of Tajikistan (14 Firuz str.) from 24 to 26 March 2015 in Dushanbe.

In the framework of this capacity building session the field visit to the pilot SME Aqua Juice by all training participants will be organized.

The event is organized by the National Association of Small and Medium Business of the Republic of Tajikistan (NASMB, the Project Partner) together with non-governmental organization "British Expertise" (UK, the Applicant) and the Association of Food Industry Enterprises of Kyrgyzstan (The Project Partner) with the financial support of the European Union within the Central Asia Invest (CAI) III Programme.

The project is aimed at the development of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) involved in F&V processing sector in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan, and on strengthening the capacity of the Business Intermediate Organisations (BIOs) providing consulting services to these enterprises, in order to strengthen their positions in the national, regional and international markets.

Representatives of SMEs, consulting companies, academic and governmental institutions involved in F&V processing sector generally and in food safety control in particular take part in this capacity building programme.

Trainings on food safety/HACCP and marketing are carried out within this year (quarterly).

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