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THE INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK

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4. During the eighth edition, France provided full scholarships to 2 participants from Cameroon, the United States of America covered the travel costs of 1 participant from Zambia, and the enterprise Euromed provided a full scholarship to 1 participant from Tanzania.
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6. The CITES Secretariat participated in the Master's programme, in the three editions, with three staff members who gave lectures and whose payment and travel, accommodation and living expenses were covered by the programme.
7. The Directorate-General ENV.E2 of the European Commission participated in the sixth and seventh editions through lectures given by two of its officials, whose travel, accommodation and daily subsistence expenses were covered by the programme.
8. The three editions or some of them of the Master's programme included lecturers from the following institutions: the CITES Scientific or Management Authorities of Argentina, China, Germany, Ireland; Italy, Mexico, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America; the CITES Secretariat, The Directorate-General ENV.E2 of the European Commission; the Universities of: Cordoba, Greifswald, Palermo, Perugia, Reading, the National Autonomous University of Mexico, Madrid Polytechnic University, Rey Juan Carlos University and Vienna; Frankfurt Zoo; Italian Wildlife Institute; Spanish and United Kingdom Customs; National Germplasm Bank of Spain; Biodiversity Convention Office, Environment Canada; Alexander Von Humboldt Institute of Colombia; Spanish Institute of Oceanography; National Museum of Natural Sciences, Spanish Council for Scientific Research (CSIC); Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew; Spanish Office for Patents and Trademarks; Spanish Environmental Police; UNEP-WCMC; ATECMA; ALMACIGA; WWF; IWMC; Pharmamar; AAP-

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9. In short, the Master's Degree Course has already been given **eight times** by the International University of Andalusia. In its last four editions, the course was linked to a Doctorate programme in collaboration with the University of Cordoba. In these eight editions, including the Master's Degree and Doctorate courses, quality specialised training was given to **209 individuals** from **64 countries** (Albania, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Burundi, Cameroon, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Italy, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Mexico, Montenegro, Mozambique, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Surinam, Tanzania, Thailand, Ukraine, Uganda, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Vietnam, Yemen, Zambia, and Zimbabwe).
10. The on-campus stage of the 9th edition of the Master's Degree Course on "Management, Access and Conservation of Species in Trade: the International Framework" will take place from 5th April to 25th June 2010 in the International University of Andalusia, Antonio Machado Site, in Baeza, Jaén, Spain.
11. Spain is fully convinced that the Programme is highly valuable to strengthen and consolidate the capacities of people in charge of the implementation of CITES.
12. Spain wishes to thank all the lecturers and participants in this Programme for their contributions, as well as the various Parties and institutions that provided scholarships or funded the participation of lecturers implementing Decision 14.10.