



## NEWSLETTER

### VETERINARIANS ACTING UNDER A SINGLE UMBRELLA



Within the frames of the ADA funded “Animal Health Management in Armenia and Georgia, Phase II” project, CARD Foundation initiated the first meeting on the “National Veterinary Association” establishment with the support of the “Strategic Development Agency”. More than 30 veterinarians from all the regions were present to share their impressions on the initiative, the issues they face and hope to solve through the association.

“The existence of such a body is of vital importance for the country. It’s necessary to create an institution with a corresponding status, good leader and a council to serve as a platform for the veterinarians to make their problems and recommendations open to the government and public”,- CARD director stated in his speech. Ministry of Agriculture officials welcomed the idea and expressed their readiness to assist in the establishment and further operation of the Association.

The Association will promote the protection of the rights and interests of the veterinarians, as well their professional development. It will stimulate a close cooperation with the governmental bodies, with a direct involvement in the state policy development for the given sector.



## SHARING A HEALTHY FUTURE...

One of the top vegetable breeding companies in the world, Rijk Zwaan initiated a training course, together with CARD Agroservice CJSC, on the greenhouse crops, particularly tomatoes cultivation technology. Considering the development of the greenhouse sector in Armenia, the need for the implementation of new technologies and construction of Hi-tech greenhouses, it's become vital to prepare a cadre of well-trained and professional agronomists. Top-level expert Lyudmila Ivanovna Alandaryova conducted the training.



Greenhouse owners and agronomists from Armenia and Georgia participated at the three-day training session on the arrangement of greenhouses, tomato seedlings growing, correct watering and nutrition. In her presentation, Ms Alandaryova touched upon the harmful effects of the microelements deficiency or excess, as well as the proper arrangement of plant protection and production process. She also introduced the grafting method of vegetable seedling growing in greenhouses.

Participants enjoyed the interactive and instructive course and were glad for the opportunity to raise a lot of practical questions and problems and receive recommendations from the highly qualified professional.

