

**Project Management Training for Romanian National Sanitary, Veterinary, and Food Safety  
Authority, (ANSVSA)  
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At the Romanian government's request, Delaware Tech trained 75 National Sanitary, Veterinary, and Food Safety Authority (ANSVSA) veterinarians, supervisors and officials from 45 counties and local veterinary facilities as well as ANSVSA's executive management. This six months training program helped project managers learn through the use of real world examples of planning and response to avian influenza based on the Delaware Model. The training, led by Dr. Charles Poplos, of Delaware Tech's Stanton Campus, has fundamentally changed how Romania will plan for and implement projects for disease prevention and response. It has enabled ANSVSA veterinarians and administrators to establish a single set of standards of response and has improved communication among veterinarians and other personnel across the country. Romania is better prepared to prevent and respond to any type of animal disease, food safety, or environmental issues, not just another Avian Influenza outbreak. ANSVSA has instituted the project management process introduced by Delaware Tech across the Agency including a monitoring and evaluation program to reinforce the training. Members of ANSVSA who are responsible for implementing World Bank financing for avian influenza planning and response were trained, and have developed implantation plans incorporating this method of project planning, risk analysis, and communications planning for use in the World Bank financing and project management.

All participants who completed the Delaware Tech project management course received an official Certificate of Attendance from Delaware Tech. Those participants (26) who completed additional requirements earned an additional Certificate of Associate in Project Management (CAPM) and received an official Delaware Tech transcript. Requirements for the CAPM included the preparation of a completed project plan for a project at ANSVSA that they currently manage, including the work breakdown schedule, risk plan, and communications plan. Project plans were reviewed and then submitted to the President of ANSVSA for final approval. The graduation ceremony, held in Romania on July 11, 2007 was attended by officials from Delaware Tech, ANSVSA, USAID, USDA and the World Bank.