



### **CASE STUDY (CSFI03):**

#### **A customs officer seeks information about importing Living Modified Organisms (LMOs).**

#### **Objective:**

- Use the Biosafety Clearing House (BCH) to access information needed during border control.
- Practice searching for national contacts, decisions and organisms.

#### **Scenario:**

A new customs officer in Hungary receives documentation about a maize shipment from a Latin American port. The customs officer is unsure if this shipment triggers any specific concerns as regards the importation of LMOs. The maize was sourced from Argentina and Brazil and is destined for food processing in Hungary.

Use the BCH and the Protocol to answer the following questions:

- Q1.** Who should the customs officer contact to seek clarification about Hungary's import requirements for LMOs?
- Q2.** Will this shipment be subject to the provisions of the Cartagena Protocol?
- Q3.** What information should be available about the LMO?
- Q4.** What information should the customs officer expect to see on the documentation accompanying the maize shipment?

