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# Discussing Priority Committees for SWP Countries

*Most developing countries and countries with small economies,* ***can’t afford to participate in the work of all the Codex activities****.*

*Therefore, each country should* ***prioritize and focus*** *its resources to ensure that it is involved in discussing and developing standards of greatest national significance.*

*Discuss this at your respective Table and Develop a Rationale for 4 Important Key Committees for your country, excluding the Commission, CCEXEC and CCNASWP.*

1. What are the country’s significant food safety/health issues?

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1. What are the issues most relevant to the consumer?

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1. What are the primary agrifood export industries contributing to the country’s economy?

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1. What are the major agrifood imports?

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1. What are the agrifood priorities of most relevance to the domestic producers?

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1. Which Codex committees elaborate standards, guidelines or related texts pertaining to the areas identified above?

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1. What resources (e.g. time, money, etc.) are available to commit to the Codex Program?

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1. Which Codex Committees Help Address Food Regulatory Needs of your country?

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1. Which Committees are Most Relevant to your country’s food / agri-food exports/imports?

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1. What is the input/feed-back received from Industry / other stakeholders?

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1. What resources (e.g. time, money, etc.) are available to commit to the Codex Committee Participation?

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