

National Reporting Obligations (NROs)

Regional IPPC Workshop

Date

Venue



What we do

International framework for protection of plants from pests

3 pillars

- Standard setting organization
- **National Reporting Obligations (NROs)**
- Capacity development



Reporting History

Original IPPC adopted in 1951

Revised in 1979

- **FAO responsible for reporting**
- **Did not work**

Revised again in 1997 to be consistent with principles of the SPS agreement

- **formalizes Secretariat and standard-setting**
- **primary reporting responsibility = countries / NPPOs**



IPPC

Protecting the world plant resources against pests

National Reporting Obligations

Benefits

Facilitation of safe trade

Increased ability to undertake risk assessment and management

Minimize delays and improve accuracy of data

Transparency

Trust between trading partners

Communications / awareness



CPM

Systematic analysis of reporting obligations

- **ICPM-3**
- **IPP as preferred method**
- **>10 years of NROs = mixed results**
- **much room for improvement**
- **2013 is start of the review of existing NRO programme**



WTO: World Trade Organization

- **IPPC is one of the “three sisters” of international standard setting recognized by the SPS agreement: Codex, OIE, IPPC**
- **Reporting to WTO**
 - **Does not meet IPPC reporting obligations**
 - **A lot of information reported to the WTO is not reported to the IPPC, although it could be and should be.**



Basis of NRO

A single IPPC official contact point

- ✓ **Central to the functioning of the IPPC**
- **Official phytosanitary communication on behalf of the country**
- **Meet obligations / update / correspondence**
 - **timeliness and accuracy (verification)**
- **Usually NPPO**
- **Editors to assist OCP**
- **Succession planning and training**



Secretariat

Facilitates meeting NROs

- **IPP**

Meets Secretariat reporting obligations

Outreach

- **Workshops**
- **Training**

Supports countries and RPPOs

Extensive communication with / through **IPPC contact points**

IPP: International Phytosanitary Portal

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Monday, 1 July, 2013

2013 Member consultation on draft ISPMs opened!

The following draft ISPMs were submitted for the member consultation period on draft ISPMs by the SC in May 2013:
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17 Jun 2013 June Bureau meeting demonstrates progress from CPM-8

06 Jun 2013 Afghanistan: the 179th contracting party to the IPPC

Crucifer flea beetle - *Phyllotreta cruciferae* - Dr. Lech Borowiec, DBET, Uniwersytet Wrocławski

About Us

The International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) is an [international agreement](#) on plant health to which [179 signatories](#) currently adhere. It aims to protect cultivated and wild plants by preventing the introduction and spread of pests. The [Secretariat](#) of the IPPC is provided by the [Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations](#). [MEDIA KIT](#)

Core Activities

- Governance
- Commission (CPM)
- Standard setting
- Adopted Standards
- Information exchange
- Capacity development
- Dispute settlement
- [MORE](#)

Country Info

[Complete List of Countries](#)
[List of Contact Points](#)
[Pest Reports](#)
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- Select a country -

IRSS Helpdesk

- Where can I find the latest IRSS Survey: Review of the implementation of Guidelines on lists of regulated pests (ISPM19:2003) and Pest reporting (ISPM17:2002)?
- Do you have a simple floor plan for a post entry quarantine facility? If you can share it, please email us at ippc@fao.org with subject line: PEQ facility plan.
- What happens if my country is not a member of the Madrid System for the international registration of marks?
- For those Contracting Parties who have submitted an IRSS questionnaire; how would you define the process of retrieving information and what was your NPPOs experience in conducting this activity?

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National Implications

Information is available

- may need extensive capacity development and strategic planning

National collection, verification and communication system is place

Ability to maintain the system

Involvement of all stage holders

Appropriate authority

Delegation of tasks

Timeliness



National Reporting Obligations (NROs)

Contracting parties provide:

- A single official contact point for each country

Phytosanitary restrictions, requirements and prohibitions

- Legislation and regulations

Official Pest Reports (**event driven**)

- Single report per pest
- Interim reporting



Reporting Obligations

Description of the National Plant Protection Organization

- structure

Points of entry

- restrictions for plants and plant products

List of regulated pests

Emergency actions



Event Driven Reporting

Non-compliance (ISPM 13)

Organizational arrangements of plant protection

- operations

Pest status

- surveillance

Rational for phytosanitary requirements

- PRA / scientific justification



Role of RPPO

Disseminate

Facilitate countries meeting obligations

Reporting on behalf of countries

- **Written authority**
- **Automated mechanism built = e-mail (XML)**



Challenges

Big improvement, but inconsistent provision of information

Contact Points not maintained well

Completeness

Timeliness

Updates

What can be done to improve participation?

- **Secretariat**
- **NPPO**
- **RPPO**



NRO Review

All aspects of the NRO programme

NRO Advisory Group

Feedback from members

- Surveys, including ISPM 17 & 19 surveys

Collection of data (how)

- format
- national capacity
- frequency and accuracy

Presentation/retrieval of data

Legal basis

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