



**Ministry of Food, Agriculture
and Fisheries of Denmark**
Danish Agricultural and
Fisheries Agency

Working Together: Clean Containers and Safe Trade

Symposium on Plant and Biodiversity Protection: Mitigating Risks of Pest Contamination in the International Containerized Supply Chain

**Danish Shipping, Amaliegade 33, 1256
Copenhagen K., Denmark**

October 7-8, 2025

Registration	
Time	Description
12:30-13:00	Registration of participants

Opening and Welcome		
Time	Description	Speakers
13:00-13:15	Housekeeping and Industry welcome	Morten Glamsø (Danish Shipping)
	CPM Focus Group on Sea Containers Co-Chairs	Thorwald Geuze (NVWA)
	Director General of the Danish Agricultural and Fisheries Agency	Kenneth Joensen

Day 1 13:15-15:15 Session 1: Understanding the risks to plant health and biodiversity, and to the sea container pathway Moderator: Rama Karri (DAFF)		
Time	Topic	Speaker/Activity
13:15-13:30	Sea Container Pathway: Overview of the risks posed by pest contamination and the economic consequences	Guanghao Gu – Animal and Plant Quarantine Division / General Administration of Customs of China (GACC)
13:30-13:45	Presentation/information from Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES)	Helen Roy - Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) – virtual
13:45-13:55	Q&A/Open discussion	All
13:55-14:05	Beneficial Cargo Owner (BCO) perspective	James Hookham – Global Shippers Forum (GSF)
14:05-14:35	Overview of CPM Recommendation 6	Thorwald Geuze - NPPO Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority (NVWA)
14:35-15:15	Q&A/Open discussion	All
15:15-15:30	Break	

15:30-16:50 Session 2: Understanding the role of the container in the sea container pathway Moderator: Thorwald Geuze (NVWA)		
Time	Topic	Speaker/Activity
15:30-15:45	Sea Container Structures: Common locations of pest contamination and CPM recommendations on container structures to minimize pest contamination	Rama Karri - Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Australia (DAFF)
15:45-16:05	Outcomes of the Rotterdam Symposium & Takeaways from the Working Group following Rotterdam	Mike Downes - Bureau International des Containers (BIC) and CCIAG Chair
16:05-16:50	Q&A/Open discussion/Activity	All
16:50–17:00 Closing Remarks CPM Focus Group Co-Chair		

Day 2 09:00-12:00 Session 3: Identifying possible solutions Moderator: Rama Karri (DAFF)		
Time	Topic	Speaker/Activity
08:30-08:55	Arrival coffee/tea	
09:00-09:30	Regulatory and Non-Regulatory Measures	Wendy Asbil – Plant Protection Division / Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
09:30-10:00	Introduction of what is an ISPM and other CPM Instruments	Thorwald Geuze - NVWA
10:00-10:30	Custodial Responsibilities	Lars Kjaer - World Shipping Council (WSC) James Hookham – Global Shippers Forum (GSF)
10:30-11:00	Coffee break	
11:00-12:00	Q&A/Open discussion	All
12:00–13:00	Lunch	
13:00-14:30 Session 4: Outreach/Available Resources Moderator: Thorwald Geuze (NVWA)		
Time	Topic	Speaker/Activity
13:00-13:20	Informative material	James Hookham – GSF
13:20-13:35	Capacity building videos	Rama Karri - DAFF
13:35-13:55	Demonstration of the Container Packing App	WiseTech Global
13:55-14:20	Q&A/Open discussion	All
14:20-14:30	Overview of Maersk visit	Mike Downes – BIC & CCIAG Morten Glamsø - Danish Shipping
14:30 - 15:00 Wrap up and Closing Remarks Thorwald Geuze – Focus Group Co-Chair & NPPO		
Visit to Maersk HQ – Container viewing 15:15 – 16:55		
Evening Reception 17:00 – 20:00 Welcome - Jacob K. Clasen Deputy Director General and Deputy CEO		