



Provisional agenda

## 2026 JUNE MEETING OF THE CPM FOCUS GROUP ON DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY NETWORKING

**01-05 JUNE 2026**

**Paris, France**

(European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization (EPPO)  
Headquarters)

**Opening:** Monday 01 June at 10:00

**Daily Schedule:** 09:00-12:00 and 13:00-17:00

### PROVISIONAL AGENDA

*(updated: 2026-05-14)*

Agenda item	Agenda	Document number	Presenter
<b>1.</b>	<b>Opening of the Meeting</b>		<b>IPPC Secretariat</b>
1.1	Welcome by the EPPO Secretariat	--	HORN
1.2	Welcome by the IPPC Secretariat	--	IPPC Secretary (Enrico Perotti - video) / MOREIRA
<b>2.</b>	<b>Meeting Arrangements</b>		
2.1	Overall presentation of IPPC roles and responsibilities	(PPT)	MARTINO
2.2	Election of Chairperson of the Focus Group	--	MOREIRA
2.3	Selection of the Rapporteur for the meeting	--	Chairperson
2.4	Adoption of the Agenda	01_FGDLN_2026_Jun	Chairperson
<b>3.</b>	<b>Administrative Matters</b>		
3.1	Documents List	02_FGDLN_2026_Jun	MARTINO
3.2	Participants / Membership	03_FGDLN_2026_Jun <a href="#">FGDLN membership list</a>	
3.3	Local Information	<a href="#">EPPO Visitor Handbook</a>	TRONTIN
3.4	Quick introduction to the IPPC	<a href="#">Link to IPPC video – Plants are life!</a>	MOREIRA/ MARTINO
<b>4.</b>	<b>Focus Group work programme</b>		

4.1	Plant pest diagnostics: the interconnectivity of IPPC initiatives of IPPC Technical Panel on Diagnostic Protocols (TPDP), Pest Report and Alert System (POARS) and CPM Focus Groups on Phytosanitary Research Coordination	<a href="#">Technical Panel on Diagnostic Protocols (TPDP)</a> <a href="#">Pest Outbreak Alert and Response System (POARS)</a> <a href="#">CPM Focus Group on Global Phytosanitary Research Coordination</a>	IPPC Secretariat / (MUNGUTI / YIM / DAMAS)
4.2	The state of the art on Plant Health Diagnostic Laboratories Networks in the world	XX_FGDLN_2026_Jun	AFRICANDER
4.3	Review of the terms of reference (ToR) of the Focus Group - Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM-20) update	<a href="#">Link to the Focus Group ToR</a>	IPPC Secretariat / Chair / DAMAS
<b>5.</b>	<b>Review of information material and case studies</b>		
5.1	2026 EPPO Conference on Diagnostic of Plant Pests: main take home messages and shared experiences from existing PHDNs in the EPPO region	--	TRONTIN
5.2	Review of Information material – IPPC Call for Discussion papers: - Information material submitted by XX - Information material submitted by XX - XX	XX_FGDLN_2026_Jun XX_FGDLN_2026_Jun	Chairperson/ ALL
5.3	Round table of additional examples and case studies (papers provided by members)	XX_FGDLN_2026_Jun XX_FGDLN_2026_Jun XX_FGDLN_2026_Jun	- - -
5.4	Joint FAO/IAEA Centre, Insect Pest Control Section: the role of Seibersdorf Laboratories - TBC	<a href="#">IAEA Insect Pest Control Section</a> <a href="#">Seibersdorf Laboratories</a>	BHATNAGAR-MATHUR (TBC)
5.5	Regional Forest Invasive Species Networks – FAO's experience (virtual) - TBC	<a href="#">Regional Forest Invasive Species Networks</a>	SHANTYAPALA (TBC)
5.5	FAO work on Office of Innovation (virtual) - TBC	-	Charles SPILLANE, FAO Chief Scientist (TBC)
5.6	CABI and plant health doctors (virtual) - TBC	--	TBC

<b>6.</b>	<b>Brainstorm session</b>		
6.1	<p>Main brainstorming session (tasks from ToR)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Discuss and agree on the components necessary for an efficient and effective IPPC laboratory diagnostic network, considering the regional differences.</li> <li>2. Discuss and agree on approaches to maintain an IPPC laboratory diagnostic network including aspects on timely diagnosis of samples and communication of results.</li> <li>3. Examine the practicalities needed for such a system including legal frameworks, confidentiality, and liability issues for the FAO , the laboratory conducting the testing and the NPPO submitting the samples..</li> <li>4. Establish broad criteria for a laboratory to be considered for inclusion in the framework of the programme “IPPC laboratory diagnostic networking”.</li> <li>5. Consider the creation, scope and utility of database(s) for several aspects that involve laboratory pest diagnostic network information.</li> <li>6. Evaluate the needs and potential role of the RPPOs in an IPPC laboratory diagnostic network and make recommendations accordingly.</li> <li>7. Estimate, to the best extent possible, the resources required to establish and operate an IPPC laboratory diagnostic network, including sustainable funding mechanisms for the long term.</li> </ol>	--	Chairperson/ ALL
6.2	<p>Breakout groups discussions (tentative):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group 1: Scope and core design</li> <li>• Group 2: Operations, Participation &amp; Practicalities</li> <li>• Group 3: Systems, Resources &amp; Implementation</li> </ul>	--	Chairperson/ ALL
<b>7.</b>	<b>Action Plan</b>		
7.1	Scoping, with clear rules of procedures, Development of an action plan for the establishment and maintenance of an IPPC laboratory diagnostic network	--	Chairperson/ ALL
<b>8.</b>	<b>Next steps</b>		

8.1	Discussions on next steps: - CPM Bureau June - IPPC Strategic Planning Group (SPG) October 2026 - CPM-21 (2027)	-	Chairperson / IPPC Secretariat / ALL
8.2	Next meeting(s): - Tentative virtual meeting(s) - TBC: • September 2026 • xx • xx		IPPC Secretariat / ALL
<b>9.</b>	<b>Any other business</b>		CHAIRPERSON
<b>10.</b>	<b>Closing of the meeting</b>		IPPC SECRETARIAT / CHAIRPERSON