

IPPC Contact Points & Meeting National Reporting Obligations (NROs)

IPPC Secretariat

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Review of NRO Programme

NRO Advisory Group 1-3 July 2014

Agreed on changes

Established immediate, short-, medium- and long-term goals

Proposal to go to:

- **Strategic Planning Group (SPG) in Oct. 2014**
- **CPM-10 in March 2015**

2014/2015 = year of IPPC contact points

Do not forget NROs

Objectives

Improve communication with countries

Improve sharing of information

Add value e.g. pest reporting

Increase NPPO participation

Increased role of RPPOs (?)

Timeliness and accuracy



Objectives cont.

Role of IPPC Official Contact Points (OCPs)

Benefits of reporting

Consequences of non-reporting

Completely revise IPP (IPPC website – www.ippc.int)

- **User friendly**
- **Data entry**
- **Finding information**



Nomination

Article VIII: International Cooperation

*Each contracting parties shall designate **a** contact point for the exchange of information connected with the implementation of this Convention*

Role of OCPs

Exchange of official information

Improve coordination

- internal
- trading partners etc.

Ensure appropriate response

Transmission of official information

- verification of data

Initial contact for bilateral discussions

OCP Functions

NPPO spokesperson / enquiry point

- Relevant authority
- Official information

Distribution point / “post box”

- Incoming
- Outgoing

Meet NROs under IPPC

- **Central to the functioning of the IPPC**



Benefits

Single contact person on all IPPC issues

Official status

Improved reliability

Improved transparency

Builds trust

Improved response time



Secretariat

Copies with formal correspondence

Direct communication

- only point of contact with government
- nominations, member comments, suggestions for topics for the work programme, etc must come from the contact point

Notifications

Response to queries

A Number of Challenges

Nomination

Updating

- lack of follow-up to changes e.g. tel. & fax.
- frequent changes in people & office

Functioning

- lack of response
- not aware of role and obligations
- lack of authority
- not integrated into national IPPC process

... IPP Editors

IPPC contact points

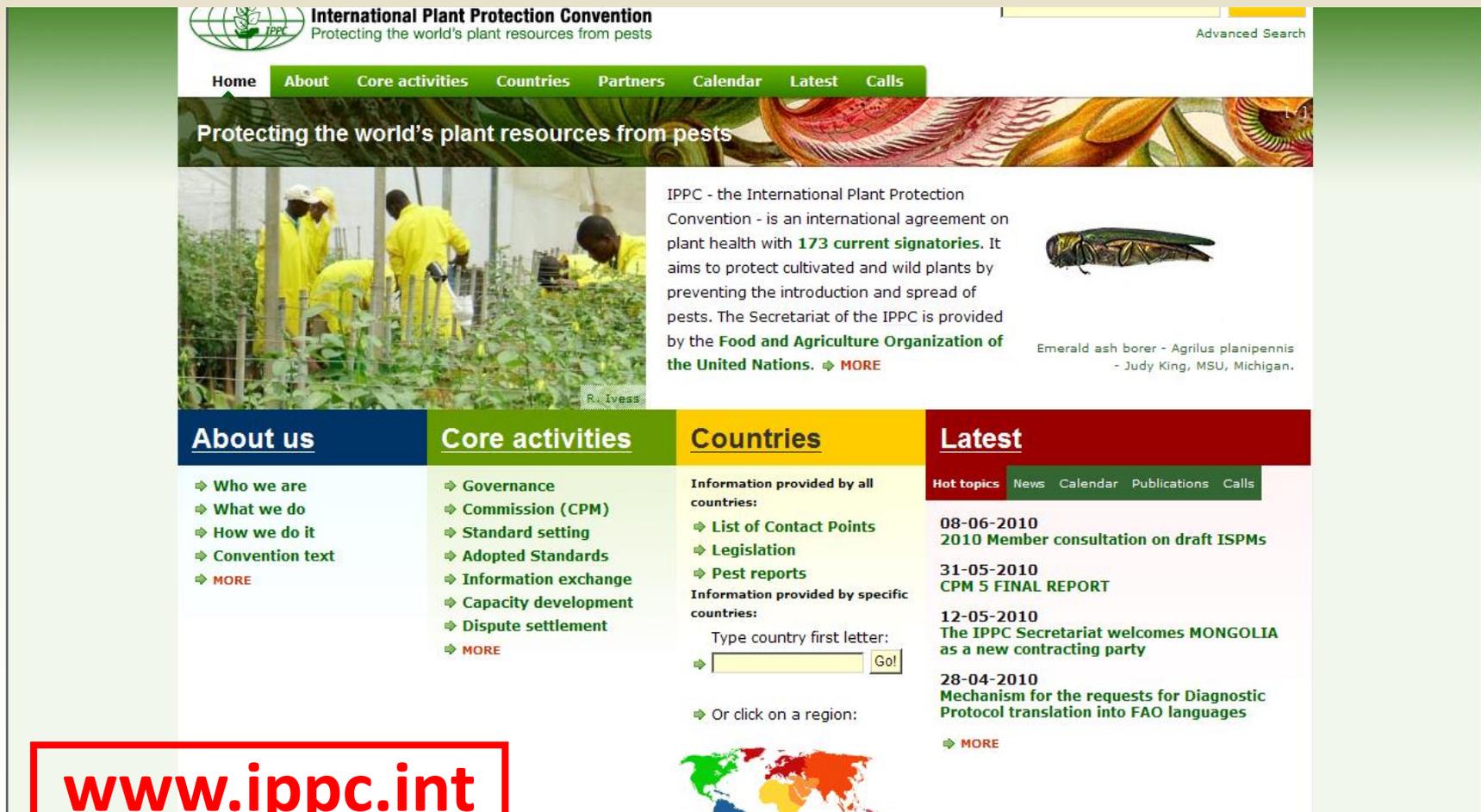
- busy
- cannot do everything
- who is going to do data entry in IPP?



Nomination of IPP “editors”

- formal nomination by IPPC Official Contact Point
- responsible for data entry on behalf of the Contact Point

IPP: International Phytosanitary Portal



The screenshot shows the homepage of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC). At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for Home, About, Core activities, Countries, Partners, Calendar, Latest, and Calls. Below the menu is a banner image of people in yellow protective suits working in a greenhouse, with the text 'Protecting the world's plant resources from pests'. To the right of the banner is a text block about the IPPC, stating it is an international agreement on plant health with 173 current signatories, and that its Secretariat is provided by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. Below this is a small image of an Emerald ash borer insect. Further down, there are four main content columns: 'About us' (listing Who we are, What we do, How we do it, Convention text, and MORE), 'Core activities' (listing Governance, Commission (CPM), Standard setting, Adopted Standards, Information exchange, Capacity development, Dispute settlement, and MORE), 'Countries' (providing information by all countries and by specific countries, with a search box for country first letters and a 'Go!' button, and an option to click on a region with a world map), and 'Latest' (listing recent news items: 08-06-2010 Member consultation on draft ISPMs, 31-05-2010 CPM 5 FINAL REPORT, 12-05-2010 The IPPC Secretariat welcomes MONGOLIA as a new contracting party, and 28-04-2010 Mechanism for the requests for Diagnostic Protocol translation into FAO languages, with a 'MORE' link). At the bottom left, the website address 'www.ippc.int' is displayed in a red-bordered box. The IPPC logo and name are visible in the top left and bottom left corners, and the FAO logo is in the bottom right corner.

www.ippc.int

Making Life Easier

Forms

- Available at <https://www.ippc.int/countries>
- Official Contact Point (OCP) <https://www.ippc.int/publications/ippc-official-contact-point-notification-form>
- Editor <https://www.ippc.int/publications/ipp-editor-nomination-request-nppos>

OCP Information

- Role of OCPs <https://www.ippc.int/publications/role-ippc-official-contact-points>
- IPP Users Manual <https://www.ippc.int/publications/user-and-editor-guide-international-phytosanitary-portal>

Meeting NROs

IPPC Official Contact Point

Description of the National Plant Protection Organization

Points of entry with restrictions

Phytosanitary restrictions, requirements and prohibitions

Official Pest Reports

List of regulated pests

Emergency actions

Meeting NROs cont.

Non-compliance

Organizational arrangements of plant protection

Pest status

Rational for phytosanitary requirements



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