

The International Plant Protection Convention

The IPPC Online Comment System (OCS)

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2017 Short Guide



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International Plant Protection Convention
Protecting the world's plant resources from pests

Why do we need an OCS? Mission and benefits

OCS mission: To provide a simple, efficient, user-friendly online system to share, collect and compile comments on documents.



OCS benefits:

- Easy to use and access
- Confidential and safe
- Implements a standard commenting format
- Faster and more accurate compilation process



Online Comment System (OCS)

URL: <https://ocs-new.ippc.int/>

Compatible with main browsers and devices



User types and roles:

Review Owner: IPPC Secretariat (OCS role: Admin-Author)

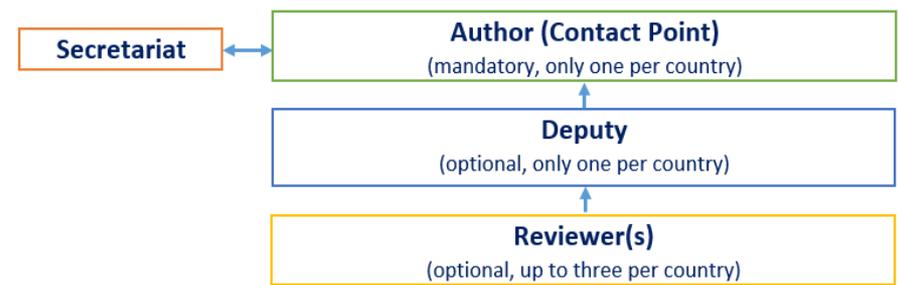
Author: IPPC Contact Point (OCS role for members: Admin-Author; OCS role for observers: Author)

Deputy: user delegated by Author to perform all actions but not user creation and final publishing (OCS role: Author)

Reviewer: all other users, able to insert comments in the system within a workgroup if invited

Participants (to a review): Author, Deputy, Reviewer

User: everyone holding an OCS account



OCS homepage

IPPC - OCS English Español Français

Welcome to the IPPC Online Comment System (OCS)!

The IPPC OCS resource page is available [here](#).
The PleaseReview Help page is available [here](#).

Draft ISPMs currently under consultation are available for your download [here](#).

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IPPC Workgroup

Visual indicator of your current reviews

Checkboxes to filter your reviews

Workgroup indicator

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- manage lists

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Review status is Not started In progress Closed Completed

Include: All work

Due Date	Review Title	Status	Details	Review
30 Sep 2017 11:45 PM	2017 First consultation Robert	Not Started	Select	
7 Sep 2017 11:45 PM	New test review	In Progress	Select	Enter
7 Sep 2017 11:45 PM	Test 200000000	In Progress	Select	Enter
1 Sep 2017 11:45 PM	Test review for DPs	In Progress	Select	Enter
1 Sep 2017 11:45 PM	Test review for DPs 2	In Progress	Select	Enter
5 Aug 2017 11:45 PM	Test review for Contact Points	In Progress	Select	Enter
27 Jun 2017 11:45 PM	Test review for Pierpaolo	In Progress	Select	Enter
23 Jun 2017 11:45 PM	IPPC Yerevan workshop test	In Progress	Select	Enter
2 May 2017 12:00 AM	Test review for IPPC Secretariat	Overdue	Select	Enter

Link to review control panel

Link to enter review

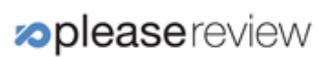


Country Workgroups

Workgroup indicator

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Review status is Not started In progress Closed Completed Include: All workgroups

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Managing users in Country Workgroups

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user administration

Find user Find

May users who are not enabled

If user is already known to the system, locate them by entering part of either their username, email address or full name and press 'go'. This will bring back users starting with the value you entered.

If you want to search for users containing certain characters, use * as a wildcard. For instance, entering *jones will return users ending in jones; entering *jones* will bring back all users containing jones.

If the user is new to the system, click 'add new user'.

Add new user

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add user

specify user details

User email address

Username

Is user enabled?

User full name

Home Workgroup Lithuania

Default workgroup Lithuania

Workgroup Role Please Select Monitor

Language Set at next login

User Type Default

Maximum Role N/A

Notes

New Password

Confirm Password

Don't send a welcome email

Password policy: minimum of 8 characters including at least 1 number and 1 letter. Política de contraseñas: mínimo de 8 caracteres, incluyendo al menos 1 número y 1 letra. Politique relative au mot de passe: minimum 8 caractères dont au moins 1 chiffre et 1 lettre.

OK Apply Back

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Creating a sub-review (1)

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my reviews

Reviews I'm in (2) | Reviews I own | Search for reviews | Recycle bin

My status is Not started In progress Completed Closed reviews All workgroups

Due Date	Title	Owner	Review Status	My Status	Details	Review
23 Jun 2017 23:45	IPPC Yerevan workshop test	IPPC Secretariat	In Progress	In Progress	Select	Enter
9 Jun 2017 0:00	Test review for IPPC Secretariat	IPPC Secretariat	In Progress	Not Started	Select	Enter

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Creating a sub-review (2)

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review
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review control panel - Test review for IPPC Secretariat

Test review for IPPC Secretariat (id 247)

Review Status In Progress (Due: 9 Jun 2017 0:00; Started: 19 Aug 2016 11:25)

participants

Name	Status	Role	Summary	Comments
Test-CP1	Not Started	Reviewer		0

your comments

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OCS Training Scripts.docx	0	0	0	0	0

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View Report

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Creating a sub-review (3)

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review

- [new review](#)
- [my reviews](#)

distribution lists

- [manage lists](#)

new review step 1: specify review details

You are now in another workgroup with Author role

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Creating a sub-review (4)

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please review

- review
 - new review
 - my reviews
- distribution lists
 - manage lists

new review step 2: upload documents

documents already attached to this review:

Title	Type	Status	
OCS Training Scripts.docx	Review	Successful	

Drag your document(s) onto this box to upload or click here for the upload dialog

Advanced Options

Previous Next

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Creating a sub-review (5)

IPPC - OCS Admin **Review** Settings Help Logout

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please review

- review
 - new review
 - my reviews
- distribution lists
 - manage lists

new review step 3: specify participants [Show members](#)

add new participants

Reviewer:

Add roles: [Other roles](#) v

[Add](#)

participants already included on this review:

Name	Email	Role	Details	Participant
Test-CP1	testtest111@test.it	Owner	Edit	Remove

[Change workgroup](#) [Manage distribution lists](#) [Add users](#)

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Creating a sub-review (6)

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please review

- review
 - new review
 - my reviews
- distribution lists
 - manage lists

new review step 4 : review options

Review Options | Email Options | ReviewZone Options | Subteams

offline settings

- Allow reviewers to download a copy of the document
- Allow reviewers to review documents offline

independent review

- Reviewers do not see each others comments. Authors see all comments

allow proposed changes

- Allow proposed changes in review

allow sub-review

- Allow review participants to create a sub-review from this review

delegation

- Allow review participants to delegate?

mandatory categorization

- Force review participants to select a comment category

auto-update accepted changes

- automatically update with accepted changes from the master review

Save

Previous Next

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Creating a sub-review (7)

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review

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[manage lists](#)

new review step 5: verify details and start review or put it on hold

review details [Edit](#)

Title	Test review for IPPC Secretariat [Sub-review]
Description	
Status	Not Started
End Date	8 Jun 2017 0:00

participants [Edit](#)

Name	Email	Role
Test-CP1	testtest111@test.it	Owner
Test-CP1Rev1	t.e.s.t2@rev.it	Reviewer

documents [Edit](#)

File name	Title	Preparation	
OCS Training Scripts.docx	OCS Training Scripts.docx	Successful	Preview

[Delete Review](#) [Review Options](#)

Put Review on Hold
Start Review

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Entering the review

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manage lists

my reviews

Reviews I'm in Reviews I own Search for reviews Recycle bin

Review status is Not started In progress Closed Completed Include: All workgroups

Due Date	Review Title	Status	Details	Review
29 Jun 2017 23:45	IPPC Yerevan workshop test [Sub-review] 1	In Progress	Select	Enter
22 Jun 2017 23:45	IPPC Yerevan workshop test [Sub-review]	In Progress	Select	Enter
8 Jun 2017 0:00	Test review for IPPC Secretariat [Sub-review]	Not Started	Select	

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Commenting page

The screenshot shows a web application interface for commenting on a document. The interface is divided into three main sections:

- Navigation pane (left):** A sidebar containing a table of contents for the document 'Draft ISPM: International movement of seeds (2009-003)'. The sections include: Contents, 1. ADOPTION, 2. INTRODUCTION (with sub-sections 2.1 Scope, 2.2 References, 2.3 Definitions, 2.4 Outline of Requirements), 3. BACKGROUND, 4. IMPACT ON BIODIVERSITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT, and 5. REQUIREMENTS (with sub-sections 5.1 Pest Risk Analysis, 5.2 Phytosanitary Measures, 5.3 Pest free areas, pest free places of production and pest free production sites, 5.4 Treatments, 5.5 Packaging, 5.6 Measures for seed production).
- Main content area (center):** Displays the document title 'Draft ISPM: International movement of seeds (2009-003)' and a 'Contents' table of contents. A blue box labeled 'Review pane' is overlaid on the right side of this area.
- Comment pane (right):** A panel titled 'comments on Test 1 En' with a 'Paragraph Id 24 refresh' link. It contains a text input field for 'enter a comment:', a rich text editor for 'and edit the text of the paragraph below:', and buttons for 'Apply', 'Apply+Accept', and 'Cancel'. Below the editor, there is a 'Navigate by:' section and a 'Track Changes' checkbox.

At the bottom left of the screenshot, there is a logo for 'please review' and 'PleaseTech Ltd. 2004-2015'.

Navigation pane

Review pane

Comment pane

Adding general comments

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://ocs-new.ippc.int/Main/Default.aspx>. The page displays a document titled "Draft Annex to ISPM 27: *Fusarium circinatum* (2006-021)". A table with document details is visible, including the date (2016-12-15), category (Draft annex to ISPM 27), and major stages. On the right side, a sidebar titled "comments on 2006-021_DraftISPM27_Fusarium_2016-12-15.docx" is open. The "Comments" tab is selected, showing a form to "enter an optional comment:" with a text input field and a "Category" dropdown set to "<Blank>". Below the form are buttons for "Apply", "Apply+Accept", and "Cancel". A "Track Changes" checkbox is also present. Red arrows highlight the "Comments" tab, the comment input field, and the "Apply" button.

NOTE FROM SECRETARIAT: The proper formatting for tables and keys will be applied before publishing the diagnostic protocol.

Draft Annex to ISPM 27: *Fusarium circinatum* (2006-021)

Status box	
<i>This is not an official part of the standard and it will be modified by the IPPC Secretariat after adoption.</i>	
Date of this document	2016-12-15
Document category	Draft annex to ISPM 27 (<i>Diagnostic protocols for regulated pests</i>)
Current document stage	To DP period for adoption
Origin	Work programme topic: Fungi and fungus-like organisms, CPM-1 (2006) Original subject: <i>Gibberella circinata</i> (syn. of <i>Fusarium circinatum</i>)
Major stages	2006-05 SC added original subject: <i>Gibberella circinata</i> (2006-021) 2015-03 Expert Consultation on draft DPs 2015-06 TPDP face-to-face meeting 2015-11 SC noted title change from " <i>Fusarium moniliformis</i> / <i>moniliforme</i> syn. <i>F. circinatum</i> " to " <i>Fusarium circinatum</i> " 2016-01 DP drafting group revised document 2016-03 SC e-decision for approval for first consultation (2016_eSC_May_07) 2016-07 First consultation 2016-11 TPDP recommended to SC for adoption (2016_eTPDP_Nov_02) 2016-11 SC e-decision for approval for adoption (2017_eSC_May_03)
Discipline leads history	Hans DE GRUYTER (NL, Discipline Lead)

comments on 2006-021_DraftISPM27_Fusarium_2016-12-15.docx

Comments

enter an optional comment:
<<click to enter a comment>>

paragraph text
no paragraph text available
Category: <Blank>

Apply **Apply+Accept** **Cancel**

Navigate by: << comments: >> **Accept/Close all**

other general comments:
Reason? Never Track Changes

Adding comments to paragraphs

The screenshot shows a web browser interface with a document on the left and a comment management panel on the right. The document text includes:

This diagnostic protocol was adopted by the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures in 20--.

The annex is a prescriptive part of ISPM 27 (*Diagnostic protocols for regulated pests*).

1. Pest Information

Phytophthora ramorum Werres, de Cock & Man in't Veld (Werres *et al.*, 2001) is an oomycete pathogen of unknown origin (Brasier *et al.*, 2004). It is considered to have been introduced into western North America and western Europe in the late twentieth century by the ornamental plant trade (Prospero *et al.*, 2007; Mascheretti *et al.*, 2008; Goss *et al.*, 2011; Grünwald *et al.*, 2012; Van Poucke *et al.*, 2012). *P. ramorum* attacks a wide range of trees and shrubs in nurseries and in the field, causing leaf blight, stem cankers, bleeding stem lesions and dieback.

In North America the pathogen was found in the early 1990s causing mortality of *Quercus* (oak) trees and *Lithocarpus densiflorus* (tanoaks), mainly in California and Oregon (Rizzo *et al.*, 2002. Named "Sudden Oak Death" (SOD), the disease has reached epidemic proportions in North America at present. The pathogen was originally considered a woodland disease but since 2003 nursery plants in several states of the United States have been affected. The disease has also been found in Canada.

In Europe *P. ramorum* has been observed in Germany since 1993 causing twig blight of rhododendron in nurseries and on mature bushes in gardens. In the Netherlands it was found in 1998 on diseased *Viburnum* sp. (Werres and Marwitz, 1997; Werres *et al.*, 2001). The pathogen has now been recorded in more than 20 European countries, predominantly on ornamental plants in nurseries and in a few managed gardens. In 2009, however, *P. ramorum* was unexpectedly found infecting and killing large numbers of *Larix kaempferi* (Japanese larch) trees in south-west England. Heavy dieback and mortality of plantation *L. kaempferi* trees in western Britain and Northern Ireland have resulted in the felling of 0.6 million trees (Brasier and Webber, 2010; Webber *et al.*, 2010).

This unexpected finding emphasizes that although many of its hosts are known, the main threat of *P. ramorum* is to tree species and other ecologically important plants such as heathland species. The pathogen is, however, most commonly observed on *Camellia*, *Magnolia*, *Pieris*, *Quercus* (in particular *Q. acuta*, *Q. agrifolia*, *Q. cerris*, *Q. chrysolepis*, *Q. ilex* and *Q. rubra* (red oak) species), *Rhododendron* and *Viburnum*. Recent findings and lists of the known hosts for *P. ramorum* can be found in CABI (n.d.), COMTF (n.d.), Fera (2014a, n.d.) and USDA-APHIS (2014a). Disease symptoms and host plants are listed and regularly updated on websites (COMTF, n.d.; Fera, 2014a).

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The comment management panel on the right shows a comment being added to the text. The comment text is: "Proposed change (1) by IPPC Secretariat on 24 May 2017 2:25 PM Reply Accept Close Delete Edit". The comment category is EDITORIAL. The comment text is: "Phytophthora ramorum Werres, de Cock & Man in't Veld (Werres *et al.*, 2001) is an oomycete pathogen of unknown origin (Brasier *et al.*, 2004). It is considered to have been introduced into western North America and western Europe in the late twentieth century by the ornamental plant trade (Prospero *et al.*, 2007; Mascheretti *et al.*, 2008; Goss *et al.*, 2011; Grünwald *et al.*, 2012; Van Poucke *et al.*, 2012). *P. ramorum* attacks a wide range of trees and shrubs in nurseries and in the field, causing leaf blight, stem cankers, bleeding stem lesions and dieback." The comment is dated 24 May 2017 2:25 PM and is from the IPPC Secretariat. The comment is intended to correct the spelling.



Comments received during in-country review

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comments on Test Robert Paragraph Id 49
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Comments | Bookmarks | Zones

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<<click to enter a comment>>

and/or edit the text of the paragraph below: +

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Category: [dropdown]

Apply | Apply+Accept | Cancel

Navigate by: << all comments: >> Accept/Close all

other comments:

Give Reason? [dropdown] Track Changes

Proposed change (1) by IPPC Secretariat on 24 May 2017 2:25 PM Reply Accept Close Delete Edit

Category : EDITORIAL

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IPPC Secretariat (24 May 2017 2:25 PM)
To correct the spelling



Publishing comments (for in-country reviews)

36 10 Days Hours

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Draft Annex to ISPM 27: *Fusarium circinatum* (2006-021)

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Consultation technical level	The first draft of this diagnostic protocol was written by: - Ana Pérez-Sierra (Forest Research, United Kingdom) - Renaud loos (ANSES, France) - Mónica Berbegal Martínez (Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Spain). In addition, the draft has been subject to expert review and the following international experts submitted comments: - Ms Jacqueline Edwards (Victorian Government Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, Australia) - Mr William Muiru (University of Nairobi, Kenya).
Main discussion points during development of the diagnostic protocol	- It is agreed by the authors that the name <i>Fusarium circinatum</i> is used with <i>Gibberella circinata</i> as synonym, following Geiser et al. (2013). Is morphological identification reliable enough to consider the pathogen present or not? Yes, if all the characteristic features are observed, there is no doubt about the identification. In case one or several features are missing or doubtful, then morphological identification may not be reliable. - Footnotes for brand names (based on SC decision and according to TPDP instruction to authors): If in the DP there is more than one mention to a brand name, the second mention (and the subsequent mentions) to a brand name shall be associated with the footnote number with the full text (e.g. If the first mention to a brand name is "footnote 1", the subsequent mentions to brand names should be accompanied by the same footnote number).
Notes	This is a draft document. 2016-01-15 Edited 2016-11-07 Edited

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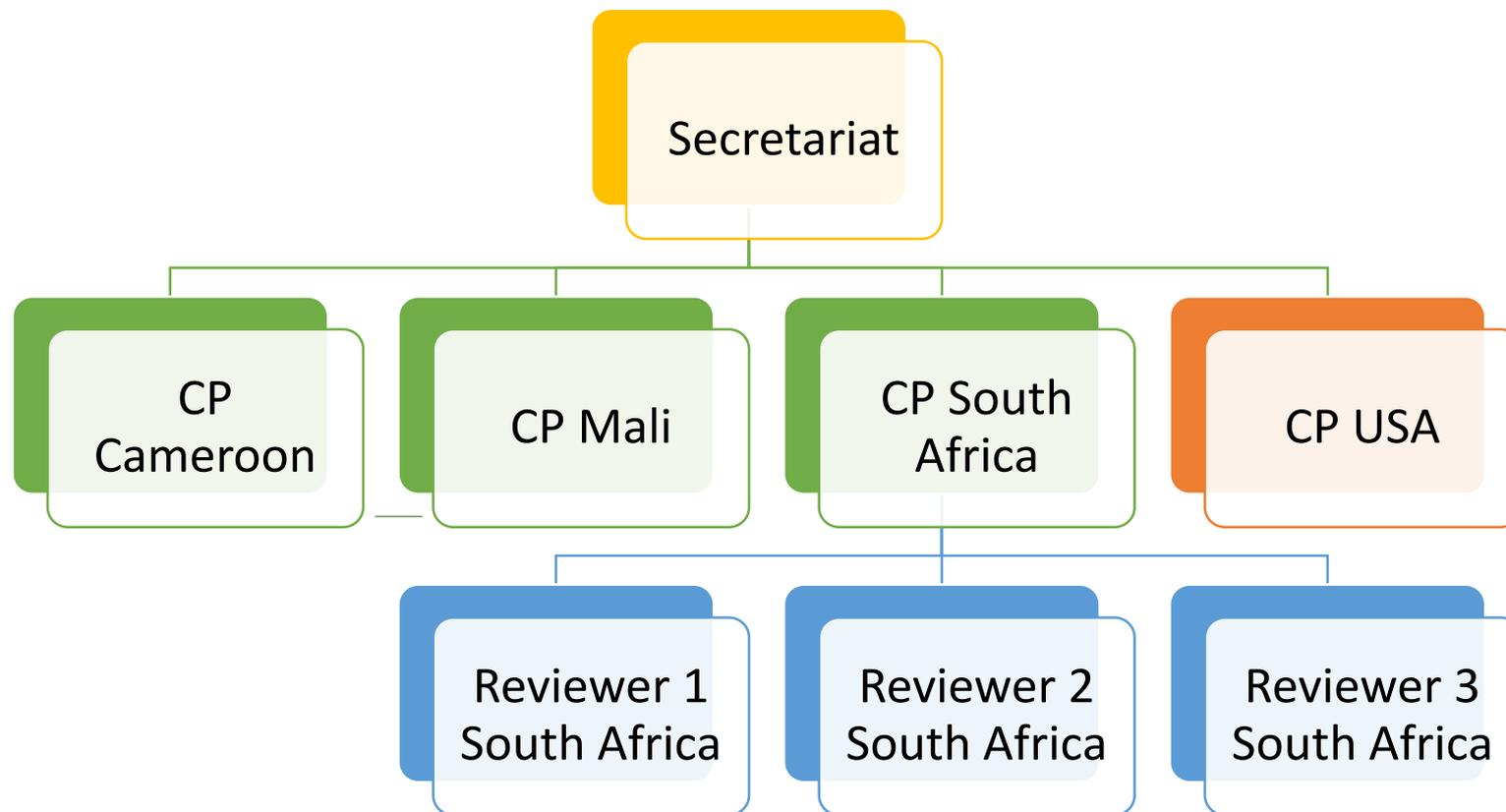
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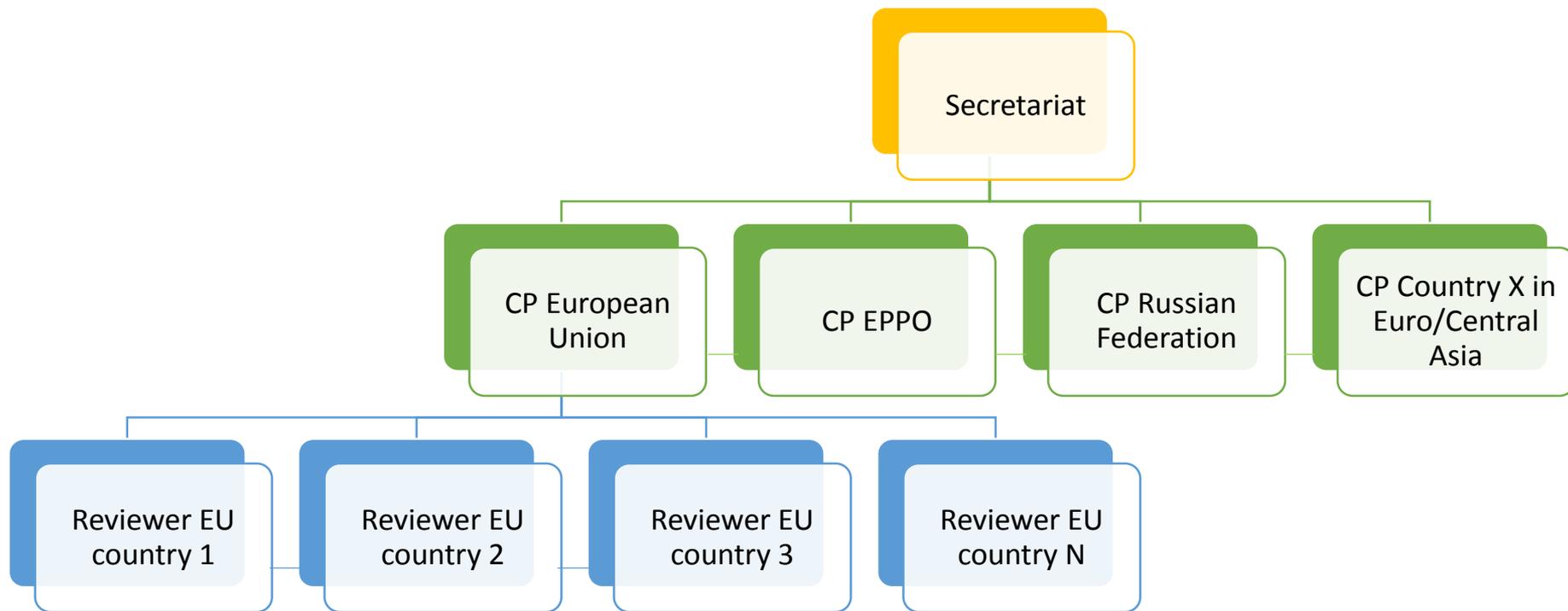
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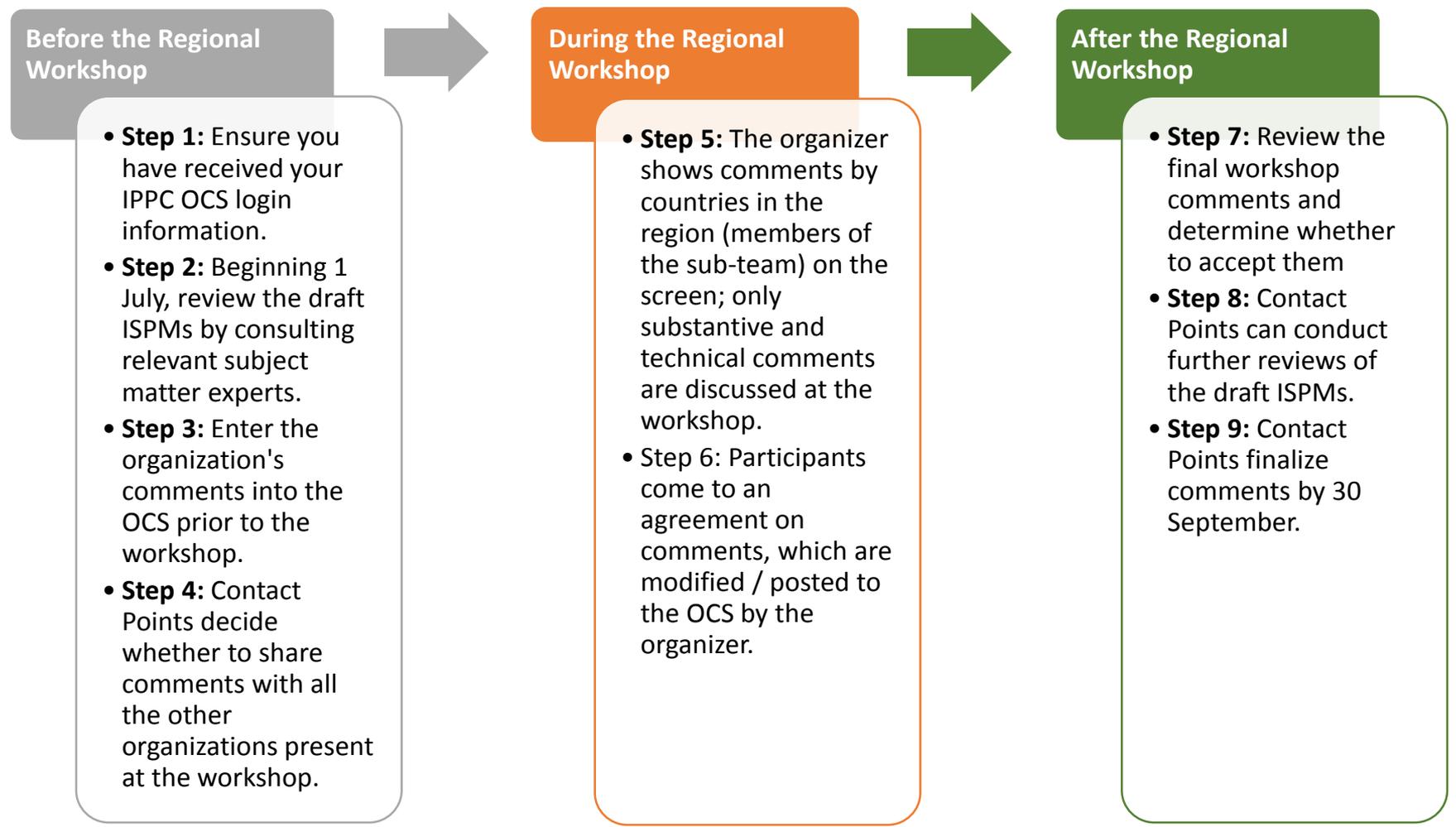
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P	A	Category : EDITORIAL Attachment : U.S. Comments on Draft Codex Std for Thyme at step 6.OCS.SEPT2016.final.docx (35) USA (29 Sep 2016 5:04 PM) Attachment	
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DRAFT STANDARD FOR DRIED THYME

(at Step 6 of the Procedure)

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2 DESCRIPTION

2.1 Product Definition

Dried thyme is the product prepared from leaves/ flowers of *Thymus spp.* processed in an appropriate manner, undergoing operations such as cleaning, drying, rubbing, milling and sifting.

2.2 Styles

Dried thyme leaves/ flowers may be offered in one of the following styles:

- Whole / intact.
- Crushed/rubbed: processed into varying degrees ranging from a coarse to fine crush.
- Ground/powdered: processed into powders.

2.3 Varietal Types

All wild species and varieties or cultivars and hybrids belonging to the genus *Thymus*, which are suitable for processing.

3 ESSENTIAL COMPOSITION AND QUALITY FACTORS

3.1 Composition

Product as defined in Section 2.

3.2 Quality Factors

3.2.1 Odour, flavour and colour

Dried thyme shall have a characteristic odour and flavour according to the chemical components of the volatile oil (such as thymol, carvacrol, and linalool), which can vary depending on geo-climatic factors/conditions. Dried thyme shall be free from any foreign odour or flavour and especially from mustiness. Dried thyme shall have a characteristic colour varying from green ash to brownish grey.

3.2.2 Infestation

Dried thyme shall be free from live insects and practically free from insects, dead insects, insect fragments and rodent contamination visible to the naked eye (corrected, if necessary, for abnormal vision).

3.2.3 Physical Characteristics

Dried thyme shall comply with the physical requirements specified in Table 1, excluding ground/powdered style.

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Correct writing of "spp." (remove italics) - The correct inscription of the species acronym "spp." precludes the use of

Chile
Comment [37], by Chile (30 Sep 2016 5:26 PM)
Regarding the sentence [It does not apply to the product when indicated as being intended for further processing.], the concept of "further processing" is not clear, neither its

IOSTA
Comment [31], by IOSTA (28 Sep 2016 8:23 PM)
There is a difference of opinion with European Spice Association suggesting 0.5% for processed material is too

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Comment [30], by IOSTA (28 Sep 2016 8:20 PM)
Thymus spp. is too broad. Two recommendations:
1. *Thymus vulgaris* (as described in ISO 6754)

Egypt
Comment [2], by Egypt (15 Aug 2016 12:48 PM)
Keep the sentence [It does not apply to the product when indicated as being intended for further processing.]

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This Standard applies to dried leaves/ flowers of thyme (*Thymus spp.*) of the *Lamiaceae* family offered for industrial food production as a condiment-culinary herb and for direct human consumption or for repackaging

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Removal of square brackets - The rationale is Not to overrule trade of Thyme in bulk for further processing with provisions established for ready to eat products, we would like to

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Contacts and resources

- Contact: IPPC-OCS@fao.org
- OCS resource page, with multi-lingual user manual and videos: <https://www.ippc.int/en/online-comment-system/>
- Face-to-face presentations and demonstrations at Regional Workshops
- Webinars (group or one-on-one) as requested

