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1. In response to the adoption of ISPM 38 on the international movement of seed, the International Seed Federation (ISF) is undertaking efforts to promote and raise awareness for the new standard. A workshop was held in May 2017 on the occasion of ISF's Annual World Seed Congress in Budapest to raise awareness and provide training to seed industry representatives on the provisions of ISPM 38. In coordination with national and regional seed associations, additional workshops have been held and even more are being planned. ISF looks forward to further opportunities to contribute toward countries' implementation of ISPM 38.

2. ISF continues its efforts to develop and publish new Regulated Pest Lists for seed species that are traded internationally (see <http://www.worldseed.org/our-work/phytosanitary-matters/pest-lists/>), as they serve as a resource for seed companies and to promote science-based phytosanitary requirements for seeds.

3. ISHI-Veg's seed health tests for seed-as-a-pathway pests are routinely used by the seed industry to prevent the introduction and spread of pests known to be associated with seed. They are being increasingly recognized internationally. They are a part of the quality management practices companies use to protect their seed from exposure to pests and diseases at all stages of seed development, production and commercialization significantly reducing overall pest risk.

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4. The IPPC initiatives on ePhyto are appreciated. The seed industry is of the view that ePhyto will support the harmonization of export and import procedures of plants and plant materials, thereby facilitating trade and reducing transactional costs. As a member of the Industry Advisory Group, ISF looks forward to continuing its collaboration with the IPPC on ePhyto.
5. ISF supports the IPPC initiative for the International Year of Plant Health 2020 and the objective to raise awareness of the importance of plant health. As a member of the IYPH Steering Committee, ISF is contributing toward the proclamation of 2020 as the IYPH as well as raising awareness of the importance of the IYPH with its membership.
6. ISF maintains a web page on the IPP (<https://www.ippc.int/en/external-cooperation/organizations-page-in-ipp/internationalseedfederation/>), where additional information about our cooperation with the IPPC Secretariat can be found.