



## **Roles and Functions of Regional Plant Protection Organizations (RPPOs) in their relationship with the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM)<sup>1</sup>**

**Areas of cooperation between RPPOs and the IPPC Secretariat in accordance with article IX.3 of the IPPC include the following:**

### **1. Standard setting process**

- participation in the development of standards, such as identifying topics for standards and providing comments during the consultation periods;
- identification of regional standards that should be proposed as the basis for future ISPMs;
- action as collaborators and assistance in hosting standard setting meetings, as appropriate;
- preparation of draft explanatory documents on ISPMs according to paragraph 111 of the Report of the Sixth Session of the ICPM under the auspices of the IPPC Secretariat;
- provision of technical and administrative support to Standards Committee members;
- participation of RPPO observers in the Standards Committee meetings.

### **2. Implementation Facilitation and Capacity Development [or their new name/form]**

- [joint] organization of IPPC regional workshops in their respective region
- facilitation of implementation of the IPPC and its ISPMs and identification of implementation challenges
- reporting on IPPC and ISPM implementation successes and challenges to the Technical Consultation among RPPOs
- contribution to avoidance and resolution of disputes
- cooperation with the IPPC Secretariat in the delivery of capacity development activities
- participation of RPPO representative[s] in the CDC [or their new name/form]
- contribution to the global implementation of ePhyto.

### **3. Communications**

- collaboration among RPPOs and with the IPPC Secretariat in the dissemination and exchange of information through, for example: annual reports, workshops, questionnaires, surveys, draft calendars and work plans, publications, websites, and technical resources.

### **4. Coordination and partnership amongst RPPOs and with the IPPC Secretariat**

- attendance and active participation in the TC and CPM;
- may assist in the nominations for CPM, subsidiary and other bodies;
- ensuring RPPO representation in the IPPC Strategic Planning Group (SPG);
- nominating RPPO representatives as required to CPM bodies and groups;

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<sup>1</sup> Adopted by the CPM-12 (2017), Appendix 09 to report:

[https://www.ippc.int/static/media/files/publication/en/2017/05/CPM-12\\_Report-2017-05-30\\_withISPMs.pdf](https://www.ippc.int/static/media/files/publication/en/2017/05/CPM-12_Report-2017-05-30_withISPMs.pdf)

- participation in global initiatives, such as IYPH and ePhyto;
- support to member countries in meeting IPPC obligations in appropriate areas such as pest reporting;
- assistance in the translation of IPPC documents;
- in-kind cooperation with RPPOs or potential RPPOs requesting support;
- provision of information on regional related activities (on standards, regulations, etc.);
- cooperation with other regions in the organization and active participation in IPPC regional workshops and other capacity development activities;
- provision of technical resources to the IPPC resources page, or appropriate links.