



# **REPORT**

## **BUREAU OF THE COMMISSION ON PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES (TELECONFERENCE)**

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## 1. Opening of the Meeting

- [1] Mr Lucien KONAN KOUAMÉ, Chairperson of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM), opened the meeting, welcoming Mr Sam BISHOP as new CPM Bureau member for Europe, after Ms Marica GATT's resignation. Mr KONAN KOUAMÉ expressed his gratitude on behalf of the CPM Bureau for Ms GATT's work, dedication and contributions to the IPPC community, wishing her success in her future endeavours.
- [2] Mr Avetik NERSISYAN, IPPC Secretary Officer-in-Charge for daily matters, greeted the CPM Bureau and joined Mr KONAN KOUAMÉ in welcoming Mr Sam BISHOP as CPM Bureau member for Europe. He informed the CPM Bureau regarding the current plan to celebrate the IPPC seventieth anniversary in October 2022, possibly as a stand-alone event back-to-back with the eleventh session of the Strategic Planning Group (SPG). Mr NERSISYAN updated the CPM Bureau on the likelihood of seeing the International Day of Plant Health (IDPH) proclaimed at the seventy-sixth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations (UNGA), clarifying that this is likely to establish the International Day of Plant Health (IDPH) on 12 May. Mr NERSISYAN updated regarding the return plan for FAO personnel and the COVID-19 situation in Italy.

## 2. Meeting Arrangements

### 3. Documents list

- [3] The List of Documents was circulated and is attached to this report as [Annex 1](#).

### 4. Participant list

- [4] Mr Arop DENG, IST Lead, informed the CPM Bureau regarding the presence of three IPPC Secretariat members for this meeting. The List of Participants is attached to this report as [Annex 2](#).

## 5. Adoption of the Agenda

- [5] The CPM Chairperson noted the following requests:
- Replacement of CPM Bureau member for Europe; and
  - IPPC seventieth anniversary celebrations.

- [6] The modified Agenda was adopted and is attached to this report as [Annex 3](#).

## 6. CPM-16 update

- [7] Mr Arop DENG informed the CPM Bureau that a few contracting parties are still required to participate to the poll on holding CPM-16 virtually but reassuring the CPM Bureau that the IPPC Secretariat is operating under the assumption that the quorum is going to be reached shortly. He also reported that the IPPC Secretariat has been liaising with FAO Conference Services to make all the necessary arrangements to hold CPM-16 virtually.

## 7. Membership of CPM FG on CCPI

- [8] The IPPC Secretariat updated the CPM Bureau on the CPM FG membership, which needed a replacement, and on the action plan that is being developed by the CPM FG. The CPM Bureau reviewed the nomination from Tunisia to replace the missing member and considered the need to open a call for an expert on climate change and/or meteorological matters.
- [9] The CPM Bureau expressed support for the nomination coming from the Near East and North Africa region and welcomed Mr Sam BISHOP availability to volunteered as the CPM Bureau champion in this group.
- [10] The CPM Bureau:
- (1) *Endorsed* the nomination from the NENA region as replacement in the CPM FG on CCPI.
  - (2) *Endorsed* Mr Sam BISHOP as the Bureau representative and Chair in replacement of Ms Marika GATT.
  - (3) *Agreed* to review the action plans drafted by the CPM FG for CPM-16.

## 8. CPM Recommendation: approval by the Bureau to present to CPM for adoption

- [11] The IPPC Secretariat introduced the CPM Recommendation on the Reduction of the incidence of contaminating pests associated with regulated and unregulated articles to protect plant resources and facilitate safe trade (2019-002) to the CPM Bureau and asked for its approval to send it for adoption by CPM-16.
- [12] The CPM Bureau welcomed the CPM Recommendation and some members observed that particular emphasis may be placed on the potential regulatory consequences of pest interception by a National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO). Some CPM Bureau members highlighted that some non-regulatory approaches may exist already while the mutual responsibilities and duties may be further strengthened.
- [13] The CPM Bureau:
- (4) *Agreed* to review the draft CPM recommendation through an e-Decision by 30 December 2021.
  - (5) *Asked* the IPPC Secretariat to open an e-Decision on the International Phytosanitary Portal to allow CPM Bureau members to submit their comments in writing digitally.

## 9. 2022 IPPC Secretariat Work Plan and Budget for 2022

- [14] The IPPC Secretariat informed the CPM Bureau regarding the tentative work plan and budget for 2022 for each specific unit, team and group of the IPPC Secretariat<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> The IPPC Secretariat prepared papers 09, 10, 11 and 12 for each unit, team and group, which were distributed to the CPM Bureau. Items 7.1 to 7.5 were discussed altogether under Agenda Item 7.

[15] Mr John GREIFER, Chairperson of the Finance Committee (FC), thanked the IPPC Secretariat for providing the provisional work plans and budgets for 2022 for each specific unit, team and group and updated the CPM Bureau on a discussion that took place at the latest FC meeting, particularly regarding the savings, asking the IPPC Secretariat to reflect on prioritising amongst all the planned activities.

[16] The CPM Bureau noted that some priority items may be already identified as overarching needs of the IPPC community, like the Online Comment System, and that some savings should be kept as a contingency plan. The CPM Bureau concluded that another valuable investment is more stable staffing for the IPPC Secretariat, who noted that a past CPM Bureau decision already indicated that seventy per cent of savings should be allocated to staff and thirty per cent as a contingency fund.

[17] The CPM Bureau:

(6) *Agreed* to allocate priority to the OCS license renewal in 2022 and to schedule a meeting of the Finance Committee.

(7) *Asked* the IPPC Secretariat to provide additional comments to the CPM Bureau on the potential use of the savings before the next meeting.

## 10. Secretariat inputs

[18] This item was deferred to the next meeting.

## 11. Any other business

### - Replacement of CPM Bureau member for Europe

[19] The CPM Chairperson informed the CPM Bureau about Ms Marica GATT's resignation and replacement by Mr Sam BISHOP (UK).

[20] The CPM Bureau:

(8) *Thanked* Ms Marica GATT for her service.

## 12. Next Meeting

[21] The next meeting of the CPM Bureau is scheduled on 27 January 2021, 12:00 – 14:00 (CEST)

## 13. Closing of the Meeting

[22] The CPM Chairperson thanked all participants and adjourned the meeting.

**Annex 1 –Document List**

<b>DOCUMENT NO.</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>DOCUMENT TITLE (PREPARED BY)</b>	<b>DATE POSTED / DISTRIBUTED</b>
01 Bureau 2021 Nov Tel	03	Agenda	2021-11-16
02 Bureau 2021 Nov Tel	02.1	Documents List	2021-11-16
03 Bureau 2021 Nov Tel	02.2	Participants List	2021-11-16
04 Bureau 2021 Nov Tel	04.2	CPM-16 Agenda	2021-11-16
05 Bureau 2021 Nov Tel	08	Membership of CPM FG on CCPI	2021-11-16
05 Bureau 2021 Nov Tel	08	Nomination from Tunisia	2021-11-16

**Annex 2 –Participant List**

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**Annex 3 – Provisional Agenda**

	<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>DOCUMENT NO.</b>	<b>PRESENTER</b>
1.	<b>Opening of the Meeting</b>	--	Lucien KONAN KUAME <i>CPM Chairperson</i> Avetik NERSISYAN <i>IPPC Secretary O-i-C</i>
2.	<b>Meeting Arrangements</b>		Mr Arop DENG
2.1.	Document list	02_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	
2.2.	Participant list	03_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	
3.	<b>Adoption of the Agenda</b>	01_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	Lucien KONAN KOUAME
4.	<b>CPM-16 update</b>	--	Mr Arop DENG
5.	<b>Membership of CPM FG on CCPI</b>	04_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	Marica GATT Erika MANGILI
	<b>Nomination from Tunisia</b>	05_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	Ahmed EL-ATTAR
6.	<b>CPM Recommendation: approval by the Bureau to present to CPM for adoption</b> Reduction of the incidence of contaminating pests associated with regulated and unregulated articles to protect plant resources and facilitate safe trade (2019-002)	06_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel 07_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel 08_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	Adriana MOREIRA
7.	<b>2022 IPPC Secretariat Work Plan and Budget</b>		
7.1.	Standard Setting Unit	09_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	Adriana MOREIRA
7.2.	Implementation and Facilitation Unit	10_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	Sarah BRUNEL
7.3.	Integration and Support Team	11_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	Arop DENG
7.4.	ePhyto Group	12_Bureau_2021_Dec_Tel	Craig FEDCHOCK
7.5.	Consensus on use of 2021 accumulated savings	-	John GREIFER
8.	<b>Secretariat Inputs</b>	-	IPPC Secretariat's Management Team
9.	<b>Any Other Business</b> - Replacement of CPM Bureau member for Europe		Lucien KONAN KOUAME
10.	<b>Next Meeting</b>	--	Lucien KONAN KOUAME
11.	<b>Closing of the Meeting</b>	--	Lucien KONAN KOUAME

**Annex 4 – Action List**

N.	Action	Lead	Lead within Secretariat/CPM Bureau/ Persons involved	Deadline
1	Open an e-Decision on the International Phytosanitary Portal to allow CPM Bureau members to submit their comments in writing digitally on the CPM Recommendation on the Reduction of the incidence of contaminating pests associated with regulated and unregulated articles to protect plant resources and facilitate safe trade (2019-002)	IPPC Secretariat CPM Bureau	Adriana MOREIRA Arop DENG Lucien KONAN KOUAMÉ	31/12/2021
2	Provide additional comments to the CPM Bureau on the potential use of the savings before the next meeting	IPPC Secretariat	Avetik NERSISYAN	27/01/2022
3	Schedule a meeting of the Finance Committee	IPPC Secretariat CPM Bureau	Avetik NERSISYAN Marko BENOVIC John GREIFER	27/01/2022