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# IPPC Standard Setting Procedure an overview

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# Global importance of the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPMs)

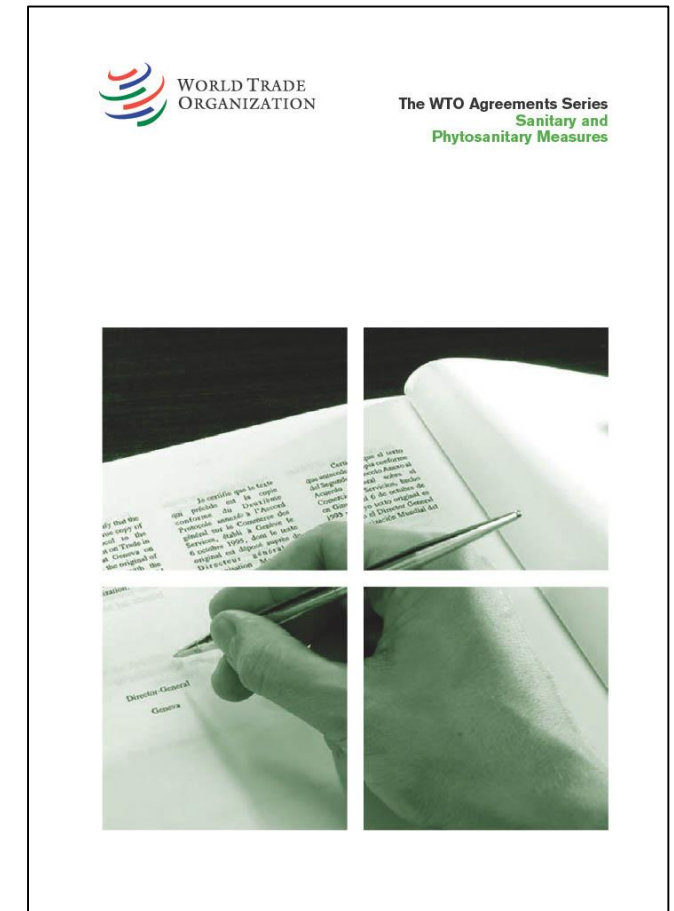
## WTO/SPS Agreement

**Article 3. Harmonization.** 1. “To harmonize sanitary and phytosanitary measures on as wide a basis as possible, Members shall base their sanitary or phytosanitary measures on international standards, guidelines or recommendations, where they exist,...”

## Annex A. Definitions. 3.

### International standards, guidelines and recommendations.

- c) for plant health, the international standards, guidelines and recommendations developed under the auspices of the Secretariat of the International Plant Protection Convention



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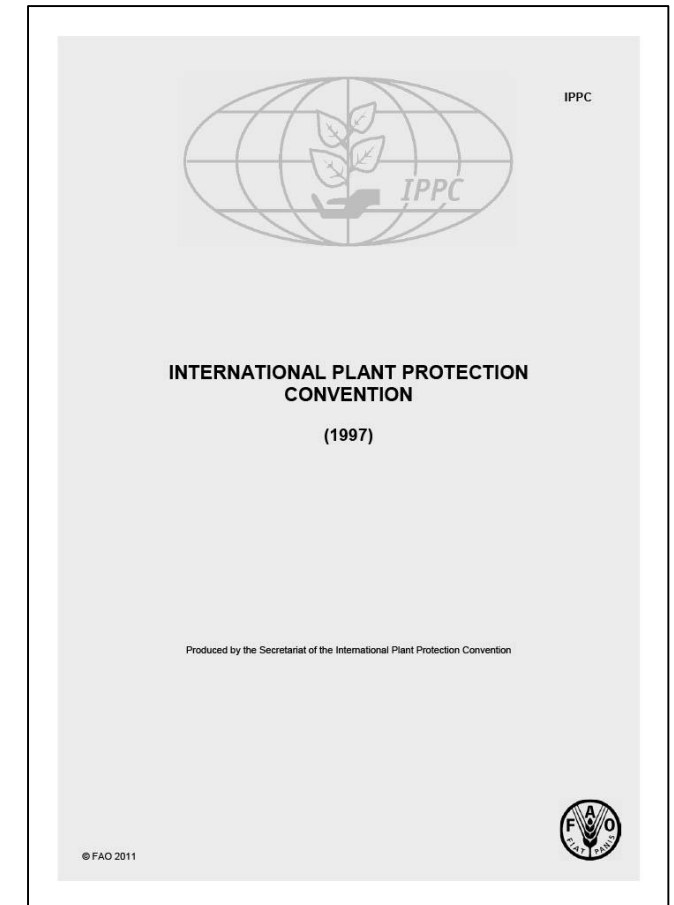
## Global importance of the ISPMs

### IPPC

**International standards.** International standards established in accordance with Article X, paragraphs 1 and 2.

### ARTICLE X. Standards

1. The contracting parties agree to cooperate in the development of international standards in accordance with the procedures adopted by the Commission.
2. International standards shall be adopted by the Commission.



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### Global importance of the ISPMs



**ISPM 4**  
Requirements for the  
establishment of pest free  
areas



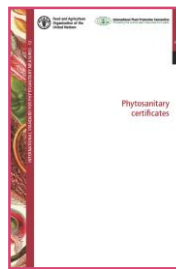
**ISPM 6**  
Surveillance



**ISPM 7**  
Phytosanitary certification  
system



**ISPM 11**  
Pest risk analysis for  
quarantine pests



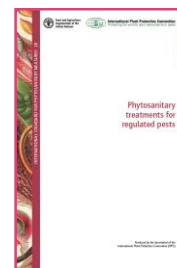
**ISPM 12**  
Phytosanitary certificates



**ISPM 19**  
Guidelines on lists of regulated  
pests



**ISPM 27**  
Diagnostic protocols for  
regulated pests



**ISPM 28**  
Phytosanitary treatments for  
regulated pests

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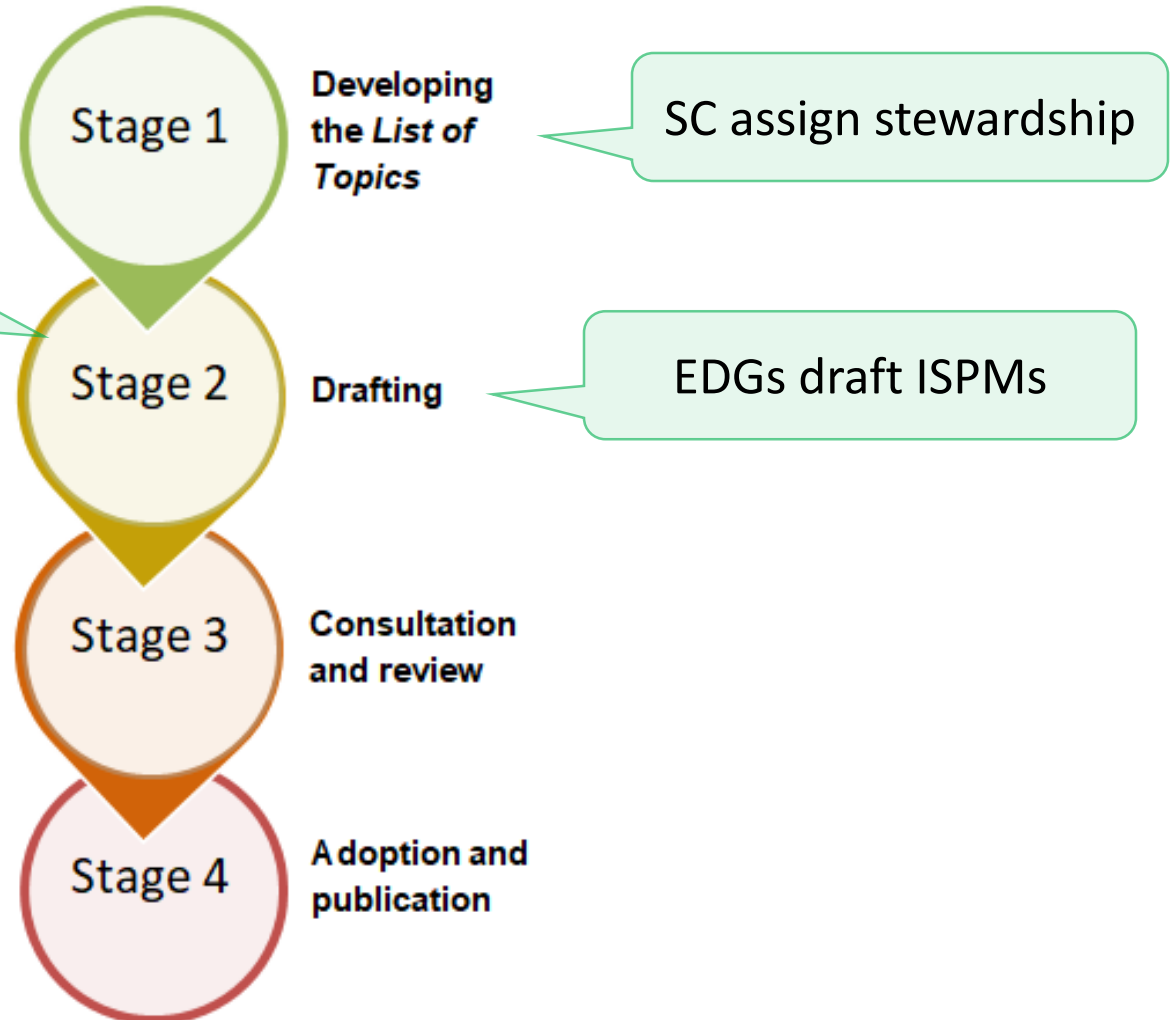
### SC and EDGs as leading actors in the SSP

The SC:

- examine and approve/amend specifications
- SC select members for EDG
- review of draft ISPMs

The SC:

- approve draft standards to be submitted for consultation
- revise draft ISPMs taking into account comments
- approve final drafts ISPMs for submission to the CPM



## Roles of stewards and assistant stewards



Assisting with the development of a particular standard from the time of the revision of the specification to the adoption of the standard by the CPM



Linkage between the expert drafting group and the SC



Responding to comments and revising the draft ISPM



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# Thank you

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