



## **REPORT**

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## **1. Opening of the Meeting**

- [1] Mr Lucien KONAN KOUAME, CPM Chairperson, welcomed all participant and opened the meeting, inviting Mr Osama EL-LISSY, IPPC Secretary, to take the floor for any update. Mr EL-LISSY reported that the IPPC Secretariat has been working tirelessly to deliver a successful CPM-16, noting a high standard of professionalism in the staff. He also informed the CPM Bureau that the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted unanimously the resolution proclaiming 12 May as the International Day of Plant Health, for which the IPPC Secretariat prepared in advance and is actively working to deliver a high-level webinar with several ministers of state as well as technical panel for discussion.

## **2. Meeting Arrangements**

### **2.1. Document list**

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

### **2.2. Participant list**

- [3] The List of Participants is attached to this report as [Annex 2](#).

## **3. Adoption of the Agenda**

- [4] The CPM Chairperson informed the CPM Bureau of a request to discuss the timing and feasibility of scheduling face-to-face meetings and also noted the suggestion to discuss the new Multifactor Authentication System that FAO implemented, time permitting. Both items were included in the Agenda, under Any Other Business.
- [5] The modified Provisional Agenda was adopted and is attached to this report as [Annex 3](#).

## **4. Finalization of CPM-16 Preparations**

- [6] The IPPC Secretariat informed the CPM Bureau that preparations for CPM-16 were completed and that the quorum was reached.

### **4.1. Review of annotated agenda**

- [7] The IPPC Secretariat introduced the annotated agenda, considering some minor modifications to the order in which some items should be discussed to improve the flow of debate.
- [8] The CPM Bureau discussed the potential session of Friend of the Chair that may take place and agreed, without setting a precedence, that CPM-16 observers may not participate to such sessions. The CPM Bureau invited the IPPC Secretariat to draft and propose a long-term policy on this matter for future CPM sessions.
- [9] The CPM Bureau also discussed some concerns related to the adoption of ISPMs in plenary and agreed that there are no impediments to the adoption of any of the currently tabled standards. The CPM Bureau noted that any concerns raised by IPPC contracting parties should be anyway taken into consideration by CPM-16, which should be included in the final report accurately.

[10] The CPM Bureau:

- (1) *Noted* the annotated agenda.
- (2) *Agreed*, without setting a precedence, that CPM-16 observers may not participate to Friends of the Chair sessions, unless explicitly authorised by the CPM Chairperson.
- (3) *Asked* the IPPC Secretariat to draft a long-term policy on participation by CPM observers to Friend of the Chair sessions.

#### **4.2. Selection of CPM rapporteurs**

[11] The IPPC Secretariat informed the CPM Bureau that one IPPC contracting party volunteered to be the CPM-16 rapporteur. The CPM Bureau discussed the opportunity to seek a second volunteer but concluded that one rapporteur is sufficient.

[12] The CPM Bureau:

- (4) *Noted* the availability of one IPPC contracting party to function as Rapporteur for CPM-16

#### **4.3. Review of CPM credentials**

[13] The IPPC Secretariat introduced the credentials for CPM Bureau review. The CPM Bureau endorsed all credentials received were complete and valid.

[14] FAO Legal Services clarified that the CPM Bureau should consider reviewing credentials coming from IPPC contracting parties that may not be enjoying full membership within the United Nations system, in particular regarding the status of the person signing the credentials. FAO Legal Services recommended to accept credentials from Burkina Faso. The CPM Bureau discussed the matter and agreed to accept the credentials from Burkina Faso.

[15] The CPM Bureau:

- (5) *Endorsed* all the received credentials by IPPC contracting parties.
- (6) *Agreed* to also endorse the credentials received from Burkina Faso, in agreement with the assessment by FAO Legal Services.

### **5. Review and selection of members for the CPM Focus Group on Climate Change and Phytosanitary Issues**

[16] The IPPC Secretariat informed the CPM Bureau about the submission of two candidates to replace one inactive member of the CPM Focus Group on Climate Change and Phytosanitary Issues (CPM FG on CCPI). The CPM Bureau appointed Mr Bastian HESS as new CPM FG on CCPI member, and asked the IPPC Secretariat to inform him about his appointment as well as inviting him to the next CPM FG on CCPI meeting.

[17] The IPPC Secretariat updated the CPM Bureau on the efforts to liaise with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change to nominate two additional experts for the Focus Group and also to engage the

current nominated expert, Mr Joseph SETELE. The CPM Bureau suggested to seek additional expertise also within FAO and among other relevant international organizations, if appropriate. The IPPC Secretariat clarified that the Terms of Reference of the CPM FG on CCPI would require an update to consider additional experts.

[18] The CPM Bureau:

(7) *Endorsed* the nomination of Mr Bastian HESS as new CPM FG on CCPI member replacing Mr Godfrey Pasurai CHIKWENHERE.

(8) *Asked* the IPPC Secretariat to inform him about his appointment as well as inviting him to the next CPM FG on CCPI meeting

## 6. Any Other Business

- *Moving to face-to-face meetings – criteria and timing*

[19] The CPM Bureau and IPPC Secretariat discussed the possible return to face-to-face meeting, clarifying that this course of action should continue consider the current provisions that FAO has been putting in place. The IPPC Secretariat informed the CPM Bureau that FAO is raising the number of days per week in which employees can enter the building while still exerting caution on organising larger meetings. The IPPC Secretariat reported that FAO has been realising and updating internal policies and guidelines to hold face-to-face meetings but the greatest uncertainty remains the authorisation to travel.

[20] The CPM Bureau noted the update and agreed that planning for face-to-face meeting may still be too early but asked the IPPC Secretariat to seek guidance and share any information on when it will be possible again.

[21] The CPM Bureau:

(9) *Asked* the IPPC Secretariat to seek guidance and share any information on when it will be possible to hold face-to-face meetings again.

- *Dates for SPG & Bureau in October*

[22] Some CPM Bureau asked for some updates regarding the dates for the next session of the Strategic Planning Group and whether it can take place back-to-back with the International Plant Health Conference. The IPPC Secretariat clarified that it is too early to predict whether such arrangements are possible at this stage.

## 7. Next Meeting

[23] The next meetings of the CPM Bureau are scheduled on 7 (tentative) and 28 April, 12:00 – 14:00 (CET).

## 8. Closing of the Meeting

The CPM Chairperson thanked all participants and closed 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_2022_Mar_Tel	3	Agenda	2022-03-28
02_Bureau_2022_Mar_Tel	2.1	Documents List	2022-03-21
03_Bureau_2022_Mar_Tel	2.2	Participants List	2022-03-21
04_Bureau_2022_Mar_Tel	5	Review and selection of members for the CPM Focus Group: Climate Change and Phyosanitary issues	2022-03-21

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**Annex 3 – Provisional Agenda**

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>		<b>DOCUMENT NO.</b>	<b>PRESENTER</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Opening of the Meeting</b>	--	Lucien K. KUAMÉ <i>CPM Chairperson</i> Osama EL LISSY <i>IPPC Secretary</i>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Meeting Arrangements</b>		Arop DENG <i>IPPC Secretariat</i>
2.1.	Document list	02_Bureau_2022_Mar_Tel	
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<b>3.</b>	<b>Adoption of the Agenda</b>	01_Bureau_2022_Mar_Tel	Lucien K. KOUAMÉ
<b>4.</b>	<b>Finalization of CPM-16 Preparations</b>		
4.1.	Review of annotated agenda	<a href="#">Link to CPM-16 agenda</a> <a href="#">Link to CPM-16 annotated agenda</a>	Arop DENG Aoife CASSIN
4.2.	Selection of CPM rapporteurs	-	Arop DENG Aoife CASSIN
4.3.	Review of CPM credentials	<a href="#">Link to CPM credentials</a>	Arop DENG Aoife CASSIN
<b>5.</b>	Review and selection of members for the CPM Focus Group on Climate Change and Phytosanitary Issues	04_Bureau_2022_Mar_Tel	Erika MANGILI
<b>6.</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moving to face-to-face meetings – criteria and timing</li> <li>• Dates for SPG &amp; Bureau in October</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Link to the IPP Calendar</a>	Lucien K. KOUAMÉ
<b>7.</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	-	Lucien K. KOUAMÉ
<b>8.</b>	<b>Closing of the Meeting</b>	--	Lucien K. KOUAMÉ

**Annex 4 – Action List**

N.	Action	Lead	Lead within Secretariat/CPM Bureau/ Persons involved	Deadline
1.	Draft a long-term policy on participation by CPM observers to Friend of the Chair sessions	IPPC Secretariat	Arop DENG Aoife CASSINS	CPM-17
2.	Inform Mr Bastian HESS about his appointment as well as inviting him to the next CPM FG on CCPI meeting	IPPC Secretariat	Erika MANGILI Riccardo MAZZUCHELLI	29/04/2022
3.	Seek guidance and share any information on when it will be possible to hold face-to-face meetings again	IPPC Secretariat	Osama EL-LISSY	On going
4.	Perform a legal analysis on the differences between ISPMs and CPM Recommendations	IPPC Secretariat	Osama EL-LISSY	01/07/2022