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The International Plant Protection Convention: An Overview

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INTERNATIONAL PLANT PROTECTION CONVENTION (IPPC)



International treaty to secure cooperation among nations in protecting global plant resources from the spread and introduction of pests of plants, in order to preserve food security, biodiversity and to facilitate safe trade



The sole **standard setting organization** for plant health recognized by **WTO (in SPS Agreement)**



These standards are global instruments for the **harmonization of national phytosanitary measures** for **trade** that protect plants and their **environment**

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1881



1st Plant Health
Convention
between
European
countries against
Phylloxera
vastatrix

1929



Adoption of the 1st
International
Convention for the
Protection of Plants
with a global
approach

1951



Adoption of the
Convention and
deposition before the
Director General of the
United Nations
Organization for
Agriculture and Food
(FAO)

1979



Minor revision
of the
Convention
towards a more
global
harmonization

1997



Revision of the
Convention to
align with the
World Trade
Organization's
Sanitary and
Phytosanitary
(SPS)
Agreement

2005

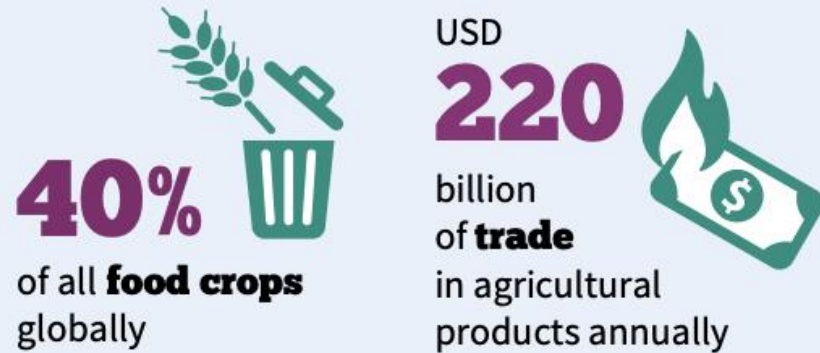


The new revised
text of the IPPC
came into force

THE GLOBAL SITUATION ON PLANT PESTS

The impact of plant pests¹

Plant pests cause the loss of:



Introduced pests cause:



Invasive alien species

are one of the main drivers of **biodiversity loss**



1. Plant health and environment protection: <https://www.fao.org/3/ca3279en/CA3279EN.pdf>

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IPPC Strategic Framework 2020-2030

- **Mission:** Protect global plant resources and facilitate safe trade.
- **Vision:** The spread of plant pests is minimized and their impacts within countries are effectively managed.
- **Goal:** All countries have the capacity to implement harmonized measures to reduce pest spread and minimize the impact of pests on food security, trade, economic growth, and the environment.
- **Strategic Objectives:**
 1. Enhancing global food security and increase sustainable agricultural productivity;
 2. Protecting the environment from the impacts of plant pests;
 3. Facilitating safe trade, development and economic growth.



UN 2030 Sustainable Development Goals



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Protect global plant resources & facilitate safe trade of agricultural products





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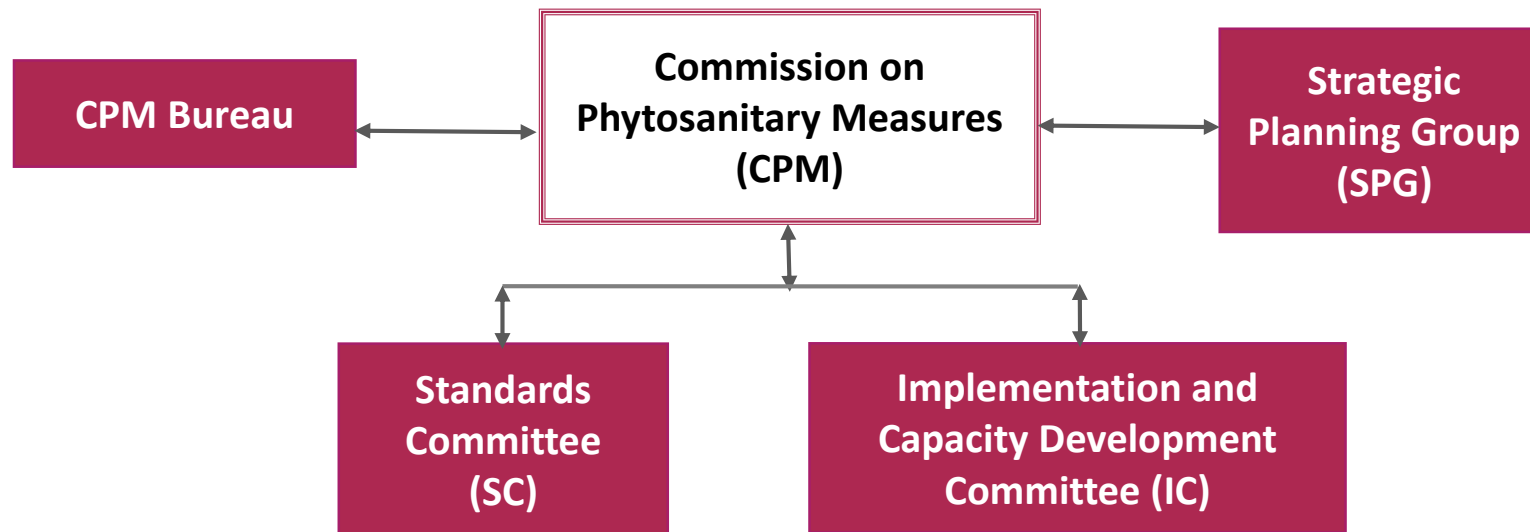
- The IPPC develops **International Standards on Phytosanitary Measures (ISPMs)** and **facilitates their implementation** to ensure food security and reduce the risks to agriculture and biodiversity.





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Governance



- **184** Contracting Parties
- **10** Regional Plant Protection Organizations
- **40+** Partner organizations

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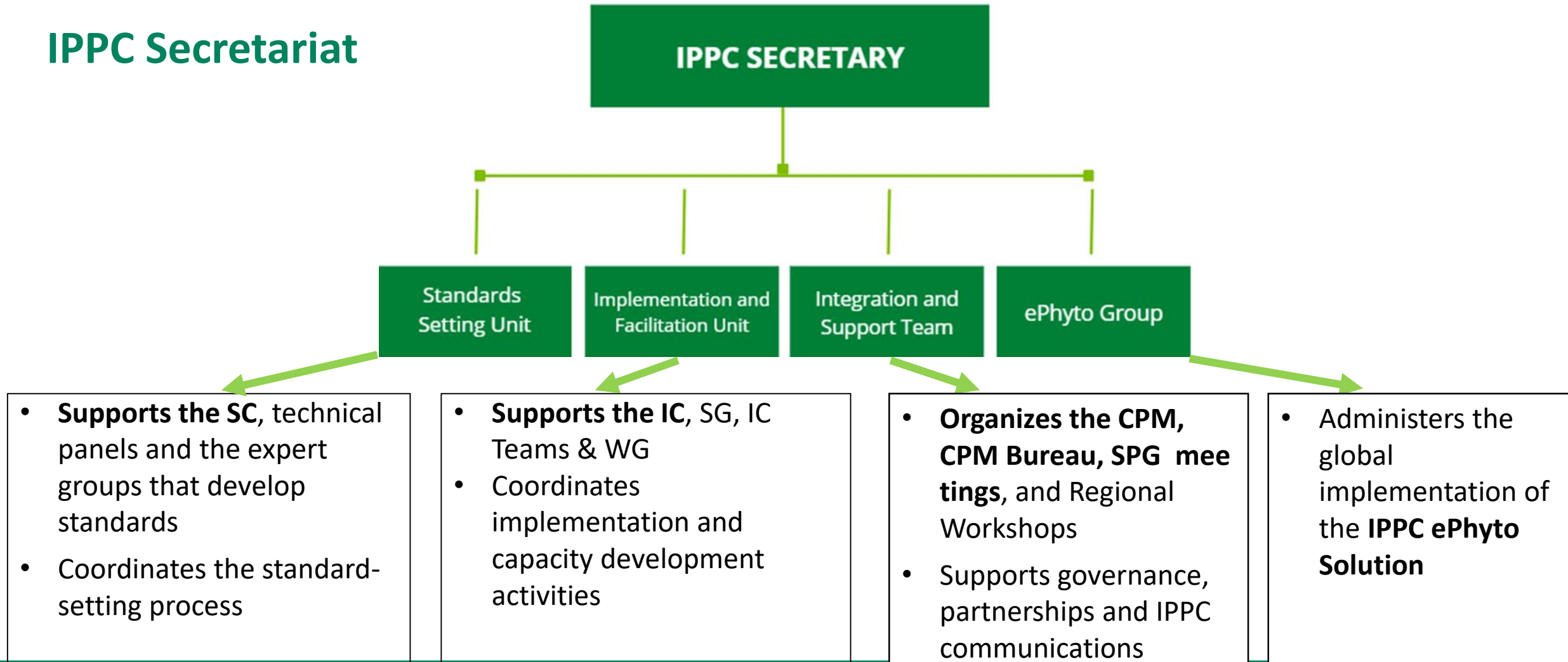
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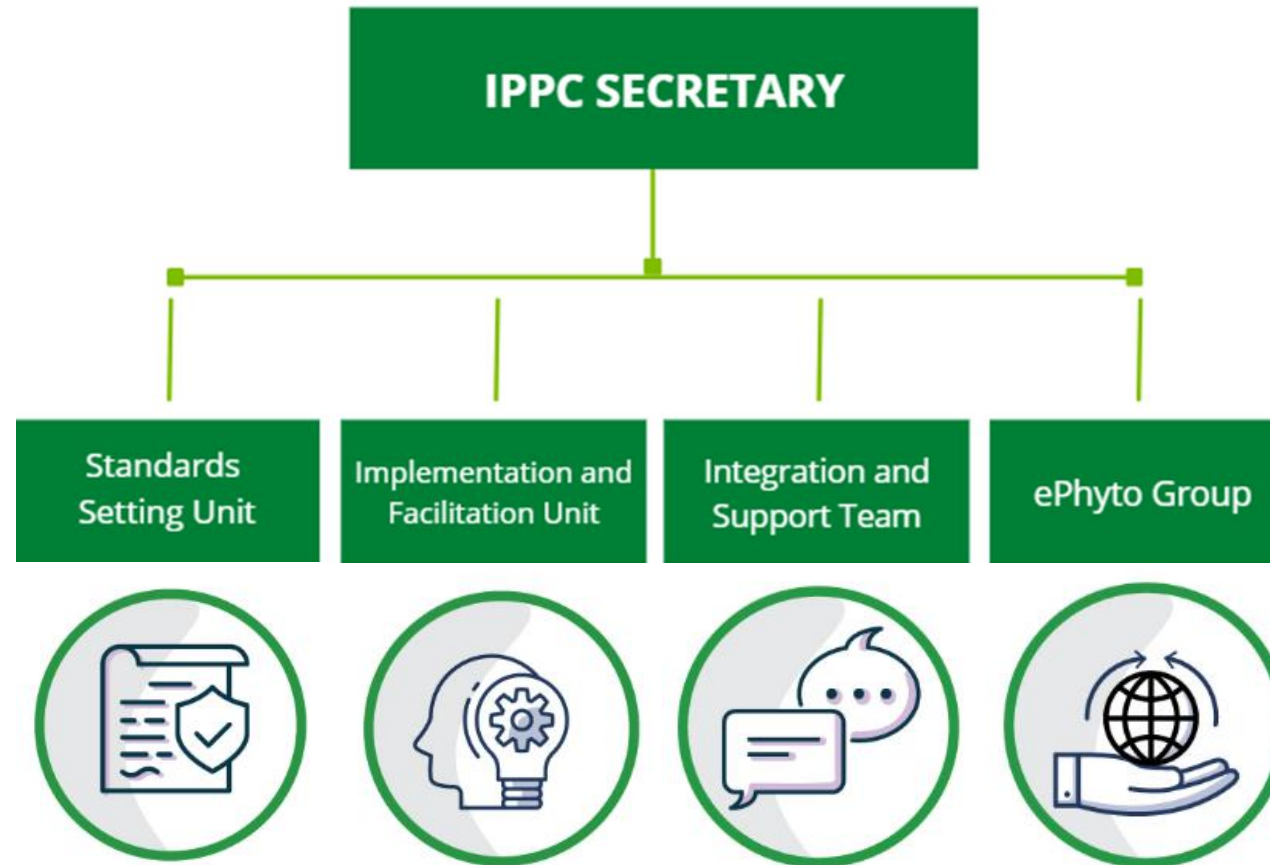
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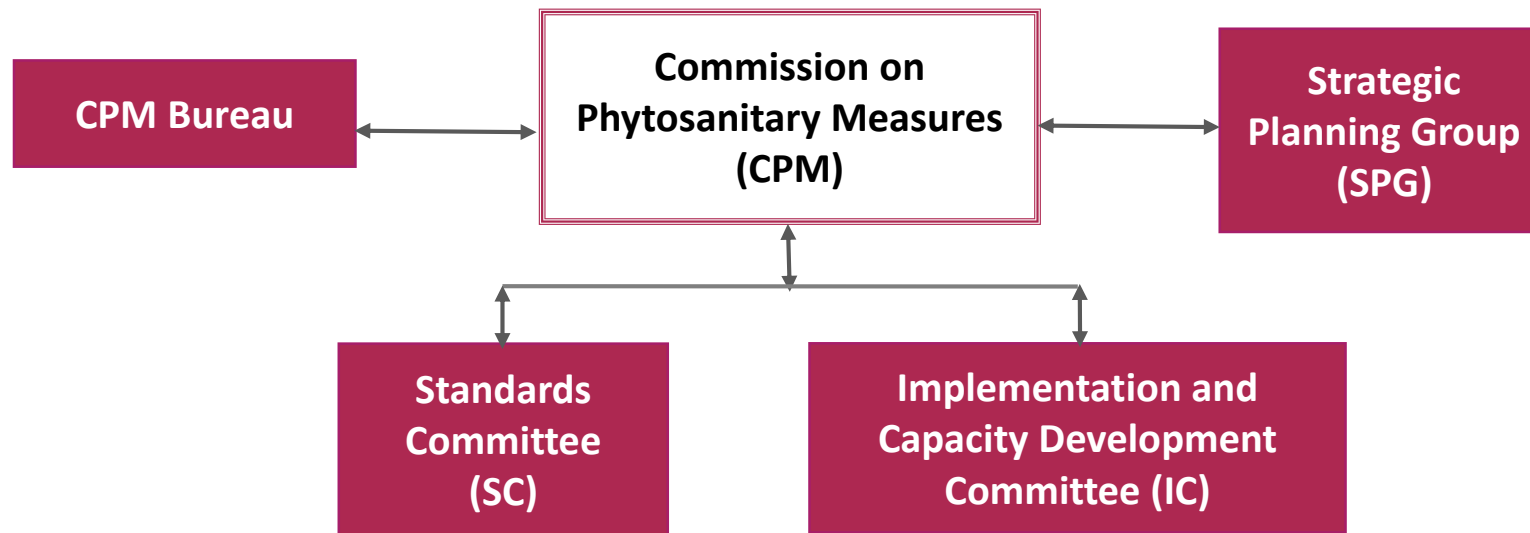
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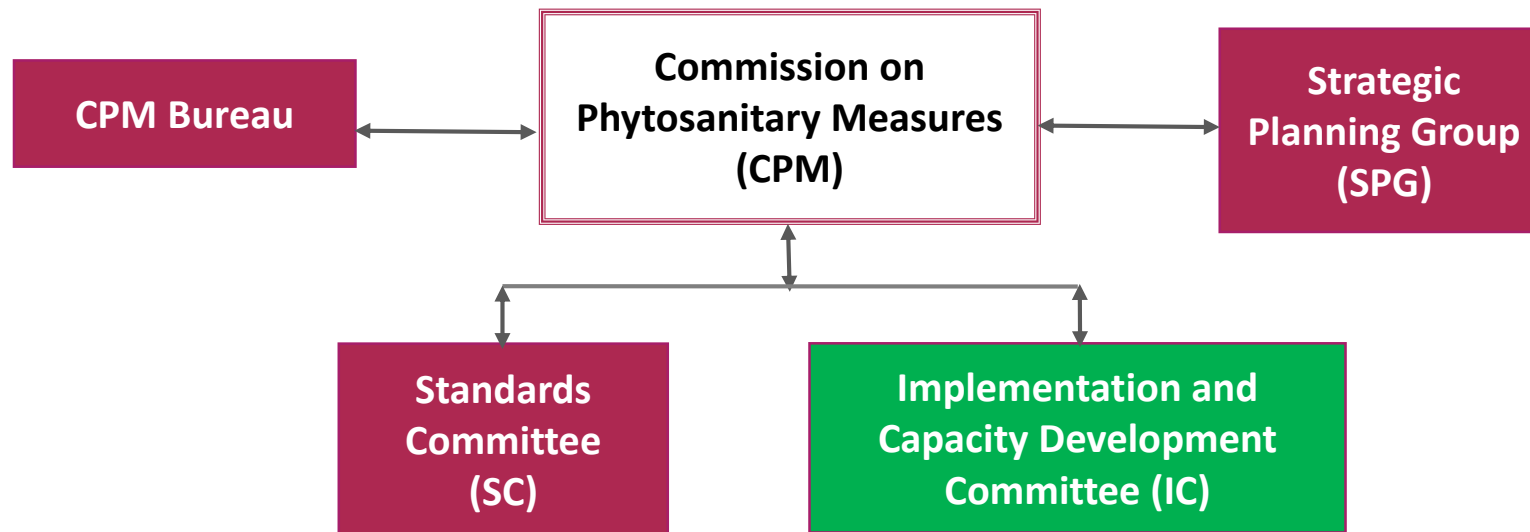
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Implementation and Capacity Development Committee (IC)

- Subsidiary Body of the CPM
- **14 members** (7 regional reps + 5 experts + 1 rep from the SC + 1 rep from the Technical Consultations among RPPOs)
- Develops, monitors and oversees a programme to:
 - support the **implementation of the International Plant Protection Convention, CPM recommendations and ISPMs**
 - strengthen the **phytosanitary capacity** of contracting parties (CPs)
- Does this by:
 - Developing guides and e-learning courses to support the implementation of ISPMs
 - Carrying out surveys and studies to evaluate the implementation of the International Plant Protection Convention, CPM recommendations and ISPMs by contracting parties
 - Working directly with contracting parties to enhance phytosanitary capacity

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IC Sub-groups, IC Teams and Working Groups

The IC establishes three types of groups to work on specific topics and activities

IC Sub-groups	IC Teams	Working Groups
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation, Review and Support System (IRSS) • National Reporting Obligations (NRO) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guides and Training Materials • Contributed Resources • Web resources • Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation (PCE) • ICD projects • E-commerce • <i>Fusarium oxysporum</i> (TR4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRA e-learning course • Export certification system e-learning course • Surveillance and reporting obligations e-learning course • Inspection e-learning course • Contingency planning guide • ISPM 15 guide • e-Commerce guide



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Ways to get involved

- Subscribe to receive the IPPC newsletter, calls, and announcements
- Actively participate in IPPC webinars
- Respond to IPPC surveys about implementation and capacity development events and products
- Submit a case study or share a plant health story
- Support the translation of IPPC guides and training materials with an in-kind contributions or funding
- Participate in a working group or an IC Sub-group
- Review the draft Specifications for IPPC guides and training materials when they go for consultation (July – August)
- Submit a topic proposal for a guide or training materials during the next Call for Topics (in 2023).

Conclusions

- There's a wealth of ICD materials available to the phytosanitary community and multiple ways in which RPPOs/NPPOs can get involved with the work of the Secretariat
- All IPPC Community materials can be found at <https://www.ippc.int/en/> and on our social media channels



- Sign up to receive news-items to stay up-to-date with the latest information



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