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COMMISSION ON PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES SEVENTEENTH SESSION UPDATE ON PROJECTS MANAGED BY THE IPPC SECRETARIAT

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Gratitude to donors

[1] During 2022, the Implementation Facilitation Unit (IFU) of the IPPC Secretariat managed ten projects for an overall value of over nine million USD, as shown in Appendix 1. The IPPC Secretariat relies strongly on extrabudgetary funds and is extremely grateful to receive the generous support on various projects from China, the European Union, Japan, the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa Secretariat (COMESA) Secretariat, the World Bank, USAID and GIZ (the German Cooperation, Gesellschaft für International Zusammenarbeit). The Implementation and Facilitation Unit (IFU) includes experienced and dedicated professionals from all over world who implement these projects and deliver the agreed outputs with high quality products while meeting FAO procedure requirements. Furthermore, other activities are conducted through in-kind contributions of personnel and through direct financial contribution of member countries to the IPPC Secretariat, further detailed in the financial and annual report. The IPPC Secretariat expresses gratitude for the provided support and resources to Canada, France and the Republic of Korea.

Projects managed in full compliance with existing frameworks and strategies

- [2] The IPPC Secretariat focuses on implementing projects with regional and global impact other than Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluations, which are implemented almost exclusively at the national level. The implementation of these projects is embedded within and fully compliant with the IPPC Secretariat and Implementation and Capacity Development Committee procedures, namely:
 - The text of the IPPC.
 - The IPPC Strategic Framework 2020-2030, in particular for the implementation of the development agendas and the implementation of Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluations.
 - The Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation Strategy 2020-2030 agreed upon by the IC and noted by CPM-16 (2022), when PCE are being conducted.
 - The List of Topics, for the development of guides and training materials.
 - The FAO South-South and Triangular Cooperation in action, for one of the projects embedded in this framework.
- [3] The IPPC Secretariat manages these projects but seeks endorsement by the IC for any new projects and updates the IC on project progress, seeking technical input when necessary, as requested by the Bureau in 2018,¹ and as defined by the *Strategy and process on how the Implementation and Capacity Development Committee (IC) reviews and analyses Implementation and Capacity Development (ICD) projects* agreed by the IC in May 2019.²
- [4] In addition, the IPPC Secretariat administers and coordinates the delivery of Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluations (PCEs) through providing support to FAO and other donors' projects. The PCE webpage³

 $^{1\} Report\ Bureau\ meeting\ 2018-06:\ http://assets.ippc.int/static/media/files/publication/en/2018/07/Bureau_Report_June_2018-07-23.pdf$

 $^{2\} Report\ IC\ meeting\ 2019-05:\ http://assets.ippc.int/static/media/files/publication/en/2019/06/IC_4th_May_2019_meeting_report_2019-06-21.pdf$

³ Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation webpage: https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/capacity-development/phytosanitary-capacity-evaluation/

provides a list of all the countries where PCEs were already implemented and PCEs that are currently in implementation in compliance with the *Procedure for PCE Facilitators certification*⁴, approved by the IC in November 2021 and noted by CPM-16 (2022). The IC PCE Team is updated on all PCEs being conducted. The outcomes of national PCEs are usually also shared with the IPPC Community through success stories, as is currently the case for Saint Lucia, Nicaragua and Nepal.⁵

A strong project management team built within the IPPC Secretariat

^[5] Project management represents a large activity for IFU, encompassing project planning, monitoring, reporting, staffing, the issuance of purchase orders, staff management and the development of resources in coordination with the IC, IC sub-groups and IC Teams. An *ad hoc* team of highly qualified staff and consultants was established to deliver the agreed outputs. The list of IFU staff is frequently updated and is available on the IPP.⁶ The IFU annual work plan is also available on the IPP⁷ and reflects the important synergies between projects and the List of Topics under the IC guidance.

Projects implemented in transparency

- [6] Transparency with the wider IPPC Community has also been enhanced as webpages⁸ dedicated to individual ICD projects managed by the IFU were created. These webpages provide the identification code, title, start and end date of the project, budget as well as a description of the project and clear deliverables. A separate webpage was set for all projects over USD 500,000.
- [7] In addition, a call is issued on the IPP every year by the IPPC Secretariat to collect worldwide phytosanitary projects from Contracting Parties, RPPOs, FAO offices, donors and implementing organizations and the IC is requested to analyse and discuss the relevance of the projects. An IPP webpage provides a description of the projects, and in 2022 this section of the IC meeting held in May was opened widely through a webinar.⁹
- [8] CPM-17 is invited to:
 - Note the deliverables of projects managed by the IPPC secretariat as well as their compliance with IPPC Secretariat and IC procedures and the increased transparency as presented in Appendix 1.

⁴ Procedure for PCE facilitator certification: https://www.ippc.int/fr/publications/90593/

⁵ Success stories: https://www.ippc.int/en/stories/

⁶ IFU Organigramme: https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/91133/

⁷ IFU annual work plan: http://www.ippc.int/en/publications/85803/

⁸ ICD Projects: http://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/capacity-development/projects-on-implementation-and-capacity-development/

⁹ IC Meeting Open Session on Implementation and Capacity Development Projects (May 2022) https://www.ippc.int/en/news/workshops-events/webinars/ic-meeting-opensession-on-icd-projects/

Appendix 1: Project name, with start and end date, budget, compliance with existing frameworks and strategies and main concrete deliverables for projects managed by the IPPC Secretariat through the Implementation and Facilitation Unit in 2022.

Project name	Start and end dates	Budget	Project compliant with	Main concrete deliverables
Support for Implementation and Capacity Development Activities of the IPPC Secretariat (GCPT/GLO/102/JPN)	Start: October 2020 End: September 2025	USD 1,006,180	IPPC Strategic Framework 2020-2030	Operational support of the IPPC Secretariat in relation to implementation and capacity development activities.
Support to the IPPC Strategic Framework: Commodity and pathways standards, Pest Outbreak Alert and Response Systems and e- Phyto (GCP/GLO/040/EC)	Start: June 2020 End: June 2023	USD 1,029,989	IPPC Strategic Framework 2020-2030	Activities of the POARS Focus Group concluding in recommendations.
Supporting the implementation of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) (GCP/GLO/025/EC)	Start: January 2020 End: December 2023	USD 1,055,556	Text of the International Plant Protection Convention	Participation to IPPC Governing bodies by developing countries. Publications of guides.
EC Implementation Review and Support System 3rd cycle	Start: January 2018 End: May 2022 (Completed)	USD 734,716		Various studies and surveys.
Strengthening the capacity of developing contracting parties to implement the International Plant Protection Convention and its standards under FAO-China South- South Cooperation (SSC) programme (GCP/INT/291/CPR)	Start: September 2017 End: December 2023	USD 2,007,541	FAO South South and Triangular cooperation in action FAO South-South and Triangular Cooperation Guidelines for action (2022- 2025) Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation Strategy 2020- 2030	Organization of virtual courses on Phytosanitary issues PCE completed in Sri Lanka Courses on fruit flies' technologies in Sri Lanka PCE in progress in Cambodia Course on Fusarium wilt (R1 and TR4) in Cambodia
FAO support to COMESA trade facilitation programme (GCP/INT/387/COM)	Start: 2018-12- 01 End: 2022-05-31	USD 2,803,069 (total), USD 800,000 (phytosanitary matters)	List of topics	Four e-Learning courses One guide on contingency planning and one guideline on prevention, preparedness and

				response to Fusarium wilt (TR4) Five capacity development webinars Translations of six guides
Strengthening Plant Health Emergency Management Capacities project (OSRO/GLO/208/USA)	Start: June 2022 End: June 2023	USD 600.000 (total) (100.000 for the Phytosanitary component)	IPPC Strategic Framework 2020-2030, 5 th Development Agenda on Pest Outbreak Alert and Response Systems	Call for contributed resources on pest outbreak alert and response systems tools and guidelines.
Strengthening Food Control and Phytosanitary Capacities and Governance (GCP/GLO/949/EC)	Start: January 2022 End: December 2023	USD 5,000,000 (total), USD 2,000,000 approximately (phytosanitary matters)	Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation Strategy 2020- 2030	PCE Facilitators training course organized.
IPPC ePhyto and Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation (GCP /GLO/1034/GER-F)	Start: January 2022 End: December 2022 (to be extended until May 2023)	USD 224,000	IPPC Development agenda 2020-2030: Harmonization of Electronic Data Exchange Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation Strategy 2020- 2030	The Generic ePhyto National System (GeNS) has new capabilities: eSignature, ePayments/eBilling, interchanges of ePhytos with other platforms and translation in Arabic PCE initiated in Senegal.
Implementation of a Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation (PCE) in Nepal (GCP /GLO/478/WBK-F)	Start: January 2021 End: June 2022	USD 65,000	Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation Strategy 2020- 2030	PCE conducted in Nepal.