

35th Technical Consultation among RPPOs
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**2022 – 2023 Plant Health actions
Northern, Central, Caribbean, Andean, and
Southern Regions**

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Specialized agency of the Inter-American System that supports the efforts of its Member States to achieve agricultural development and rural well-being.



**Inter-American Institute
for Cooperation on
Agriculture (IICA)**

It provides technical cooperation, using a results-oriented approach in its work, as well as close and continuous engagement with its 34 Member States, based on the needs of their agrifood systems.

It has vast experience in producing public goods and innovative solutions with respect to climate action and agricultural sustainability; digital agriculture; agricultural technology and innovation; agricultural health; food quality and safety; the bioeconomy; international trade and rural development, as well as gender, youth and family farming.

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To encourage, promote and support our Member States in their efforts to achieve agricultural development and rural well-being, through international technical cooperation of excellence.



technical cooperation model through 7 hemispheric action programs: Innovation and Bioeconomy, Territorial Development and Family Agriculture, International Trade and Regional Integration, Climate Action and Agricultural Sustainability, Agri-Food Digitalization; and Gender and Youth Equity, and **Agricultural Health, Safety and Agrifood Quality Program – AHFS.**

AHFS Program objective is to promote a productive, competitive, and sustainable agricultural sector that provides safe food through local, regional, and global markets, through the generation, improvement, and application of agriculture health policies, food safety and quality

AHFS Program action lines:

1. Strengthening and modernizing capacities in food health, safety, and quality.
2. Promoting the effective implementation of international standards.
3. Adopting good agricultural practices and improve response to emergency situations.

AHFS Program action lines implementation, organized into 4 pillars:

- Animal Health, Plant Health, Food Safety and Quality, and Safe Trade and Agro-Food Safety through the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures.
- Transversally to these pillars, the operationalization of One Health approach reemerges, and is organized as a comprehensive and unifying strategy that seeks the harmonization Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS), as well as networking.





Agricultural Health, Safety and Agrifood Quality Program AHFS.

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AHFS Program Main actions 2022 – 2023 related with plant health

1. In relation to strengthening and modernizing capacities in animal and plant health, food safety and quality

Supporting and promoting the implementation of the **One Health concept**

PROCINORTE. Cooperative Program in Agricultural Research and Technology (Mexico, Canada and USA)

Cooperation Agreement between IICA and **COSAVE** to strengthen COSAVE's actions.

Supporting Plant Health Systems Enhancement through the **Caribbean Plant Health Directors Forum**.

Strengthening **national phytosanitary** systems

- Strengthening the Agricultural Health and Food Safety Policies and Rules.
- Increase technical NPPOs capacity on specific pests (diagnostics, surveillance and management).
- Support to NPPOs strengthening and modernizing strategies and actions. Performance, Vision and Strategy – PVS – IICA methodology.

Support to the Inter-American Coordinating Group in Plant Protection – **GICSV**.



AHFS Program Main actions 2022 – 2023 related with plant health

2. Promote the effective implementation of international standards.

IPPC Regional Workshops for Caribbean and Latin America Regions.
Support to organization and host.

- 2022
 - Caribe: 53 Plant Health Professionals from 17 countries and 7 regional/international institutions
 - LATAM: 78 Plant Health Officials from 18 countries and 8 regional/international institutions.
- 2023
 - Caribe: 20 Plant Health Professionals from 14 countries
 - LATAM: 95 Plant Health Professionals from 17 countries and 6 regional / international organizations.

International Plant Health Day - **IPHD**

Promote capacity building and effective participation in the standard setting process and on standards implementation

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3. Adopting good practices and improving response to emergency situations.

To strengthen NPPO to prevent/manage the entry of key priority plant pests

To strengthening of public and private sector competences in GAP identifying, implementing and auditing

Support a CAB International initiative to undertake a study to generate information on managing IAS threats posed by the horticulture trade pathway particularly those that pose the greatest risk of becoming invasive. The information will be the base for appropriate policy, legal and institutional frameworks for IAS management (Caribbean region)

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Fusarium oxysporum Tropical Race 4

- To support the project “ALER4TA Project to strengthening capacities and biosafety in Ecuador, Colombia and Peru, against FOC TR4 in Musaceae”
- “Strategy to strengthen production and agro-export in Venezuela.” IICA gave technical and managing cooperation, with Global Alliance against TR4 financing, to identify pathogens presence causing symptoms like FOC R4T and its distribution in the country.
- Strengthening the emergency response capacity on FOC TR4 in Nicaragua and Mexico, drills and surveillance training courses.
- Support to the Global Alliance against FOC TR4, as Secretariat.
- Support to the GICSV FOC TR4 Working Group
- IICA Network on Musaceae on FOC RT4

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Huanglongbing – HLB. IICA supported an initiative to undertake a study on “Strategies for the Comprehensive Regional Management (MIR) of HLB in the High Valleys of Yaracuy and Carabobo in Venezuela”. HLB status was known for these areas, as well as identifying the needs to strengthen the national capacity to control this pest.

Good Agricultural Practices – GAP. IICA supported Costa Rica for GAP and GMP implementation in cacao chain, to ensure high-value markets.

¿What is GICSV?

Coordinador
2023 - 2025



COMUNIDAD
ANDINA
SECRETARIA GENERAL



IICA
Technical
Secretariat



COSAVE

It is a coordination and cooperation group on plant protection, formalized by a MoU signed by Regional Plant Protection Organizations - RPPO of Americas on March 23, 1998.

Objective

Promote effective and common actions to prevent pest introduction and spread in plants and their products and promote appropriate measures for their control.

Governance

Coordinating Committee (CG): RPPOs Directors, coordinated by one of its members on a biennial periods. 1 to 4 annual meetings.

2021 - 2023



2023 - 2025



Working Programs: Bimonthly, two lenguajes Spanish and English.

Resources In Kind

7 Working Groups (WG)



Phytosanitary emergencies



ePhyto



FOC RT4



Locust



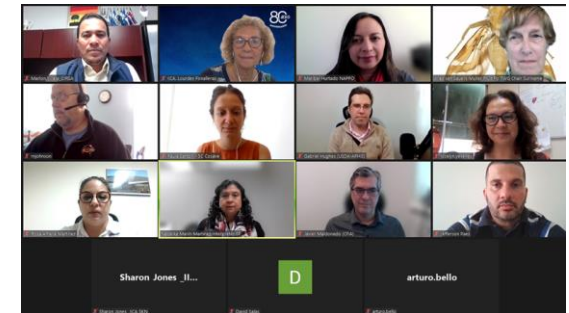
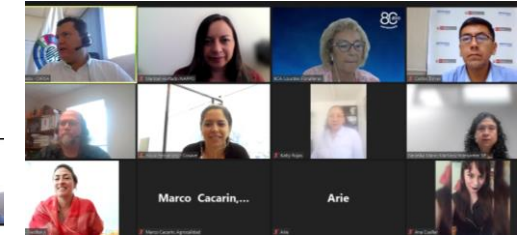
Huanglongbing - HLB



Fruit Flies



Tuta absoluta



Most outstanding GICSV products 2022 - 2023



- Coordinating Committee (CC) and Working Groups (WG) Work Program was updated, CC and WGs held periodic meetings to monitor their work plans.
- Horizontal cooperation was promoted between GICSV RPPOs, as well as between the NPPOs.
- RPPOs analyze and shared comments and visions on CPM 17 agenda issues, especially on high priority topics for the region, common positions were identified.
- “Reference guide for the surveillance and control of *Tuta absoluta* in American region” soon to be published in Spanish and English.
- “ePhyto contingency plan for RPPOs in the region” and “Roadmap for ePhyto based on the GeNS system” published.
- Improvements to the international ePhyto system were identified and will be shared with ePhyto international group from IPPC.
- GICSV Statement due to the lack of authorized pesticides for locust control.

Most the most notable GICSV products 2022 - 2023



- HLB and FOC TR4 prevention and management campaign.
- Identified the characteristics and technical capacity of fruit fly surveillance and management programs for economic and quarantine importance species in the countries of the GICSV region.

**Sea Container and Cargo Cleanliness Activities
– Updates for GICSV**

Speakers:

- Wendy Asbil, Canadian Food Inspection Agency.
- Wendy Beltz, United States Department of Agriculture.

February 23, 2023.

- 🕒 13:00 hrs (Costa Rica Time)
- 🕒 14:00 hrs (Raleigh Time, USA, EDT)

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**Conversation: Single window
and its phytosanitary context**

Wednesday, March 1st, 2023

- 🕒 8:30 hrs (Costa Rica Time)
- 🕒 9:30 hrs (Raleigh Time, USA, EDT)

Speakers:

- **Robert L. Griffin**, Former National Coordinator for Agriculture Quarantine Inspection, USDA.
- **Shane Sela**, Senior Trade Facilitation Specialist in the World Bank's Global Trade and Regional Integration Unit.
- **Mahesh Chandra Acharya**, Principal Plant Protection Officer, Plant Quarantine and Pesticide Management Center, Nepal.

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Compartimos con ustedes esta comunicación para marcar la fecha del

Seminario virtual
Muestreo Fundamentado en el riesgo – MFR: Herramientas disponibles y su utilización.

Objetivo: Dar a conocer las herramientas disponibles desarrolladas y compiladas por NAPPO sobre MFR y orientar en su utilización práctica.

We share with you this communication to save the date of

Webinar
Risk-Based Sampling – RBS: Available tools and their use

Objective: To make known the available tools developed and compiled by NAPPO on RBS and guide their practical use.

2 de febrero 2022

February 2, 2022



The new world of phytosanitary treatments

Thursday, March 9, 2023
8:30 hrs (Central America time) / 9:30 hrs (Raleigh time, USA EST)

Speakers:

- Robert L. Griffin, Former National Coordinator for Agriculture Quarantine Inspection, USDA. (Retired)
- Emilia Bustos Griffin, Senior Research Scholar, North Carolina State University, Center for Integrated Pest Management, Raleigh. (Retired)

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"CITRUS WEBINARS. GICSV"

FEBRUARY 2ND SESSION
09:30 AM TO 11:30 AM COSTA RICA TIME

WEBINAR 1. "PHYTOSANITARY INTELLIGENCE AS AN IMMINENT REGIONAL STRATEGY TO PREVENT, SUPPRESS AND CONTROL PESTS AND DISEASES IN A DYNAMIC INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT: CASE STUDY OF HLB AND DIAPHORINA CITRI"

SPEAKER: DR. ROBERTO TAPIA, SAG DE CHILE.

FEBRUARY 9TH SESSION
09:30 AM TO 11:30 AM COSTA RICA TIME

WEBINAR 2. "INTRODUCTION TO CITRUS DISEASES OF REGIONAL IMPACT"

SPEAKER: DRA. BEATRIZ XOCOMOSTLE - CAZARES, PROFESSOR, BIOTECHNOLOGY AND BIENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, CINVESTAV-IPN, MEXICO.

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Many thanks!

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