



COMMISSION ON PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES

NINETEENTH SESSION

UPDATE FROM THE CPM FOCUS GROUP ON GLOBAL PHYTOSANITARY RESEARCH COORDINATION

AGENDA ITEM 12.7

(Prepared by the IPPC Secretariat)

- [1] Global Phytosanitary Research Coordination is one of the development agenda items in the Strategic Framework. The seventeenth session of the CPM (CPM-17) in March 2023 agreed to establish a Focus Group on Global Phytosanitary Research Coordination and at CPM-18 in April 2024, the terms of reference were approved.
- [2] The primary role of the focus group is to conduct a scoping study to explore the current international and regional phytosanitary research structures and policies to identify gaps to be filled and map the options for enhancing regional and global coordination.
- [3] The IPPC Secretariat launched a call for experts at the end of May 2024 until 31 August 2024. The secretariat received eight nominations in response to the call and the CPM bureau accepted all nominations to form the new focus group. So far, no nomination has been received from Latin America and Caribbean region.
- [4] The focus group held their first meeting in December 2024 where they designed a brief questionnaire to send out to the research networks in their respective regions and they will compile their lists of networks for discussion at their next meeting in early February 2025 where they will also discuss and plan for the initiation of the scoping study.

Recommendations

- [5] The CPM is invited to:
 - (1) *Note* this update from the CPM focus group on global phytosanitary research coordination