



INTERNATIONAL PLANT PROTECTION CONVENTION (IPPC)

STANDARD SETTING UNIT (SSU) STAFF

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CONSULTANTS – Trust funds or regular programme budget		
	Marina Martino Phytosanitary Standard Setting Specialist Based in: Rome (HQ) Room: B765 E-mail: marina.martino@fao.org	<u>Standard setting:</u> Technical support to the IPPC Standard Setting Unit work programme. Support to the Technical Panel on Diagnostic Protocols (TPDP) and Technical Panel on Commodity Standards (TPCS). Assist with the meetings of the IPPC Standards Committee (SC), including preparation of final texts for publication.

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	Colleen STIRLING Standard Setting Unit Specialist Based in: Rome (HQ) E-mail: colleen.stirling@fao.org In-kind contribution from Australia	<u>Standard setting:</u> Supporting the work of the (CPM) Focus Group on Sea Containers, including provision of Secretariat support. Provide guidance and support countries to carry out sea container surveys in accordance with the IPPC Guidelines on Sea Container Surveys for National Plant Protection Organizations (NPPOs). Support countries to engage their national contact points of the International Maritime Organization to implement sea container cleanliness initiatives.
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Standard setting: Assistant coordinator for the IPPC standard setting process, supporting the planning, organization, and scheduling of SSU meetings. Contributor to drafting, reviewing, and formatting IPPC documents, including reports, briefs, and meeting notes. Content manager for the International Phytosanitary Portal (IPP), ensuring SSU-related information is current and accessible. Responsible for uploading and verifying meeting agendas and reports on the IPP. Team member providing feedback, operational support, and ad-hoc assistance as needed.