



30 January 2013

**Re: The International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) – Membership of the Standards Committee and the Subsidiary Body on Dispute Settlement**

Excellency,

I have the honour to draw your attention to two items that require consideration and responses from you as the Chair of the Near East FAO Regional Group.

1. Nominations and submissions confirming existing members and potential replacements for the Standards Committee (SC) (Annex 1)
2. Nominations and submissions confirming existing members and potential replacements for the Subsidiary Body on Dispute Settlement (SBDS) (Annex 2)

In addition, the CPM Paper can be accessed on the IPPC International Phytosanitary Portal (IPP).

- A. CPM Meeting Document 10, Membership and potential replacements for the Standards Committee and Subsidiary Body on Dispute Settlement [[www.ippc.int](http://www.ippc.int)]

**Procedure for submission of nominations**

Nominations or, where appropriate, confirmation of the existing members and potential replacements should be submitted by 8 March 2013. Please see the enclosed documents for further information on nomination and confirmation requirements.

Nominations where required and submissions confirming existing members and potential replacements for the Standards Committee and the Subsidiary Body on Dispute Settlement should be sent to the IPPC Secretariat, preferably **by e-mail ([ippc@fao.org](mailto:ippc@fao.org))**.

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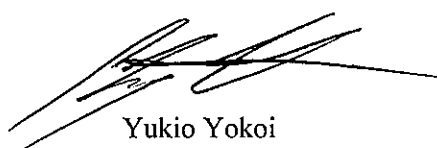
All nominations should include the following information:

- Nominee's name, full mailing address, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address
  - Nominee's curriculum vitae (CV)
  - Statement of commitment (Annex 6)
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If you have any questions, please contact Brent Larson (+39 06 5705 4915, [brent.larson@fao.org](mailto:brent.larson@fao.org)) for matters related to the Standards Committee, or David Nowell (+39 06 5705 2034, [dave.nowell@fao.org](mailto:dave.nowell@fao.org)) for matters related to the Subsidiary Body on Dispute Settlement.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration

Yours sincerely,



Yukio Yokoi  
Secretary  
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Attachments:

- (Annex 1) Nominations and submissions confirming existing members and potential replacements for the Standards Committee
- (Annex 2) Nominations and submissions confirming existing members and potential replacements for the Subsidiary Body on Dispute Settlement
- (Annex 3) Terms of reference and rules of procedure of the Standards Committee
- (Annex 4) Guidelines on the duties of members of the Standards Committee
- (Annex 5) Terms of reference and rules of procedure of the Subsidiary Body on Dispute Settlement
- (Annex 6) Statement of commitment
- (Annex 7) Current Membership of the Standards Committee, the Subsidiary Body on Dispute Settlement and the Bureau