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IPPC Secretariat Enhancement Evaluation - update

Agenda item 7.1

Prepared by the IPPC Secretariat

1. At CPM9 (2014), Contracting Parties agreed, after discussing a proposed Terms of Reference, to launch an enhancement evaluation of the IPPC Secretariat. The evaluation had the aim of identifying how to strengthen the performance of the Secretariat in view of emerging challenges including the enhanced focus on the implementation of the Convention itself. The CPM asked the support of the FAO Office of Evaluation (OED) to carry out the evaluation.
2. In consultation with the CPM Bureau, among others, the OED identified an evaluation team that consisted of three international consultants who met the skills and competencies identified in the CPM approved Terms of Reference. The evaluation was carried out from September – December 2014 and the final report will be published early in 2015. The final report will be posted on the IPP<sup>1</sup>.
3. The Terms of Reference for the evaluation states that “FAO Senior Management will be responsible for preparing the Management Response to the evaluation, should there be recommendations addressed to it. The Bureau, on behalf of the CPM, will decide whether it will prepare its own Management Response to the evaluation or develop an internal tool for discussion, endorsement and follow-up on, or rejection of, the recommendations, as appropriate.”
4. The CPM is invited to:
  - *note* the evaluation.

<sup>1</sup> Evaluations of the IPPC: <https://www.ippc.int/core-activities/governance/ippc-secretariat-evaluations>