



INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF  
**PLANT HEALTH**

2020

PROTECTING PLANTS,  
PROTECTING LIFE

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# PROMOTING SAFE TRADE IN THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PLANT HEALTH

**IPPC INFORMATION SESSION**

**23 MARCH 2021**

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## **01. INTRODUCTION**

The Caribbean owned the IYPH

## INTRODUCTION CONT'D

A. Dominica's  
intervention at CPM 9  
(2014) proposing an  
International Day of Plant  
Health



**INTRODUCTION CONT.**

**B. TOURISM DEPENDENT  
TERRITORIES**



## INTRODUCTION CONT'D

- C. CARICOM-Integration movement where agricultural trade is considered a driver for economic growth and prosperity
- Net Food Importers with ineffective import regulatory systems





**02.**  
**WHAT HAS BEEN DONE**  
**TO PROMOTE PLANT**  
**HEALTH IN IYPH**

CARIBBEAN REGION

## PRE-2020: PREPARATORY

Annual presentations to the Ministers of Agriculture at the COTED

2016-2019

2019

Regional IYPH committee convened to coordinate activities



# 2020 INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PLANT HEALTH

- Use of the IYPH Visual Identity



## 2020 INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PLANT HEALTH

- OFFICIAL CEREMONIES
  - Launches
  - Opening ceremonies
  - Special sessions at meetings and other gatherings

Launch of IYPH in Jamaica January 2020



# 2020 INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PLANT HEALTH

- WEBINARS
- TECHNICAL SESSIONS

**17th - 18th August 2020**  
**10 AM - 11:30 AM**  
**via Zoom**

**Click to Join:**  
<https://fao.zoom.us/j/91870812749>  
**Meeting ID: 918 7081 2749**  
**Passcode: 173807**

**DAY 1:**

- Welcome & Introductions*  
**Yasmin Johnson,**  
The Bahamas Agricultural Health & Food Safety Authority (BAHFSA)
- Crop Nutrition: An Important Component of Plant Health*  
**Dr Gaius Eudoxie, UWI**
- Integrated Pest Management: Healthy Plants*  
**Dr Vyjayanthi Lopez, FAO**

**DAY 2:**

- Highly Hazardous Pesticides (HHPs)*  
**Guy Mathurin, FAO**
- Safer Alternatives to HHPs*  
**Dr Stephanie Williamson, PAN-UK**
- Alternatives to HHPs in Vegetable Disease Management*  
**Dr Duraisamy Saravanakumar, UWI**

**PROGRAMME**



## **2020 INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PLANT HEALTH**

- **PROMOTIONAL/INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL**
  - Calendars
  - Banners, other visual aids



# TREE PLANTING CEREMONIES



**BAHAMAS 100K TREE PLANTING INITIATIVE**  
 an initiative organised by the  
**CARIBBEAN PHILANTHROPIC ALLIANCE BAHAMAS DIVISION**  
 Antigua Barbados Dominica Guyana Haiti Jamaica Saint Lucia Trinidad & Tobago USVI

**UN Sustainable Development Goals**

- No Poverty
- Zero Hunger
- Responsible Consumption & Production
- Clean Water & Sanitation
- Energy Innovation & Infrastructure
- Reducing Inequality
- Sustainable Cities & Communities
- Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions
- Good Health and Well-being
- Quality Education
- Gender Equality
- Climate Action

**Our A...**  
 To use the 2030 UN Sustainability goal develop sustainable lifestyles in order to reduce our individual carbon footprints thus ensuring a higher quality of life for future generations.

**Our Pl...**  
 Plant 100,000 trees of varying species & function across two zones, terrestrial and coastal. These trees include but are not limited to: National Tree, Fruit trees, Native Medicinal trees, Beach stabilizers and Mangrove.

Tree allotment will be divided into three components: the Hurricane Dorian Initiative, Bahamas Tree Planting and Mangrove Development.

**Further Goals**

- Increase educational awareness through video, social media, events & school outreach programs.
- Implement planting programs in schools & underscore importance of sustainability.
- Through community outreach programs, promote sustainable industry in the country, thus spurring economic growth & reducing carbon footprint.

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**Hurricane Dorian Initiative**  
 85,000 trees on Abaco and Grand Bahama to aid in the island's recovery and growth of restoration.

**Bahamas Tree Planting**  
 48,750 trees planned on 12 islands across the archipelago to address global forest land area and address temperature rise.

**Mangrove Development**  
 16,250 trees to increase mangrove numbers which will aid in defense against storms & coastal erosion.

**Chaz Garraway** Regional Leader  
**Melissa Ingraham** National Leader  
**Tiana Amann** Asst. National Leader

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# ESSAY COMPETITION



In celebration of The International Year of Plant Health, The Bahamas Agricultural Health & Food Safety Authority (BAHFSA) in conjunction with The Ministry of Education, Science & Technology invites Senior High students to compete in an essay competition

**Under the Theme:**  
**"Protecting Plants, Protecting Life!"**

Essays should be 500 - 600 words and submitted using the PDF Format and emailed to: [yasmin@bahfsa.gov.bs](mailto:yasmin@bahfsa.gov.bs)

Winners will be announced on October 16th, 2020.

Deadline for submissions is

FREE VIDEO CREATED ON  
POSTERMYWALL.COM



For further inquiries you may contact  
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## 2020 INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PLANT HEALTH

### ■ COMPETITIONS

- Essay Competition
- Quizzes/Games

## 2020 INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PLANT HEALTH

- Radio and Television Interviews



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### **03. PLANS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR**

Focus mainly on plans for the International Day of Plant Health Celebrations

Launch of the Caribbean Pest Diagnostic Network (CPDN)

Additional public awareness programmes

Events postponed due to COVID 19



## IYPH LEGACY (FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE)

- INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PLANT HEALTH
- STUDY REPORT ON THE IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON PLANT HEALTH
- STANDING COTED AGENDA ITEM: *MATTERS RELATED TO PLANT HEALTH*



**THANK YOU**

