



## COMMISSION ON PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES

### SIDE MEETING ON 2024 IPPC REGIONAL WORKSHOPS:

*Meet the IPPC Secretariat Regional Workshop Teams: provide information to members of regional workshop organizing committees to facilitate the planning process*

**18 APRIL 2024 13:00-14:15 (Rome time)**

**Red Room (A121), FAO Headquarters, Rome, Italy**  
**Concept Note**

#### Background

- [1] The IPPC Regional Workshops (RWs) are events held annually to facilitate discussion on international and regional phytosanitary matters held in seven regions globally- Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Europe and Central Asia, Latin America, Near East and North Africa, the Pacific. Through the Online Commenting System (OCS), the IPPC RWs give IPPC contracting parties the opportunity to comment on draft International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPMs), recommendations by the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM), ISPM specifications, and implementation and capacity development products.
- [2] Therefore, as an outcome of the RWs briefing held in September 2023, the IPPC Secretariat management team proposed a side meeting during the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM-18). This meeting's objective is to provide information to members of regional organizing committees to facilitate the planning process. The meeting will be held in the Red Room on Thursday, 18 April 2024.
- [3] The IPPC Secretariat Regional Workshop Teams will provide updates on the status and progress of organization of 2024 IPPC RWs and on the revision of Guidelines for IPPC Regional Workshops requested by the Implementation Committee (IC) in May 2023.

#### Requirements

- [4] A calendar invitation to be extended to the CPM Bureau, SC, and IC members, host countries NPPOs, FAO regional and subregional plant health officers, RPPOs and any relevant RW organizing committee stakeholder involved in the planning of the RWs.
- [5] The IPPC Secretary is invited to open the meeting and highlight the importance of the IPPC secretariat and regional workshop organizing committee collaborations for this annual event.
- [6] The CPM RW meeting requires an IPPC secretariat panel consisting of RW leads to participate in a question-and-answer session for the seven 2024 IPPC regional workshop organizing committees.
- [7] The IPPC Secretariat does not require funding for this activity from the regional workshop budget.
- [8] IST will facilitate the meeting with panel members from each of the secretariat's RW team leads participating in the question-and-answer open conversation about the global RW agenda, roles and responsibilities of ROCs, and the revised IC Regional Workshop Guidelines.

#### Expected Outcomes

The side meeting is expecting to achieve the following outcomes:

- Awareness of the IPPC regional workshops objectives and share progress of the 2024 IPPC RWs preparations.

- Inform about the Guidelines on Regional Workshops new revision and finalization.

### Programme

<b>Venue: Red Room, FAO HQ</b>		
Facilitator: John Gilmore		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Speakers</b>
13:00-13:05	Welcoming remarks	Osama El Lissy, IPPC Secretary
13:05-13:10	Update on organization of the 2024 IPPC Regional Workshops including review of global agenda	John Gilmore, IST
13:10-13:20	Overview of 2024 IPPC Regional Workshop Budget Estimates	Marko Benovic, Planning Team
13:20-13:25	Inform on IC revised Guidelines on Regional Workshops	Rokhila Madaminova/ Sarah Brunel, IFU
13:25-14:10	General discussion Q&A with IPPC Secretariat Regional Workshop Leads	All participants, Arop Deng, Adriana Moreira, Avetik Nersisyan, Artur Shamilov, Descartes Koumba, Juan Rull, Fitzroy White