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- Plant health risks are increasingly cross-border, fast-moving, and politically visible.
- The IPPC community needs faster regional intelligence, stronger alignment, and clearer leadership signals.
- TC-RPPO is the only space where the 10 RPPOs can act together with the Secretariat to convert regional realities into global direction.
- If TC-RPPO is strong, the whole IPPC system is stronger.





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Technical Consultation among Regional Plant Protection Organizations (TC-RPPOs): The regional coordination engine of the IPPC

Legal Framework and Role

Article IX of the IPPC legally establishes RPPOs as regional coordinators supporting phytosanitary objectives and standard development.

Practical Coordination Mechanism

TC-RPPO serves as a forum for RPPO representatives to share experiences, address challenges, and support regional programs.

Promoting Harmonization and Standards

TC-RPPO promotes development and use of harmonized international phytosanitary standards across regions.

Strategic Use and Impact

The forum transforms regional intelligence into CPM priorities, supporting standard setting, risk discussions, and communication.



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10 RPPOs, one IPPC system

Each RPPO serves its member countries — but at TC-RPPO, each head also serves the coherence, credibility, and future effectiveness of the IPPC system.

- Asia & Pacific Plant Protection Commission (APPPC)
- Caribbean Agricultural Health and Food Safety Agency (CAHFSA)
- Comité de Sanidad Vegetal del Cono Sur (COSAVE)
- Comunidad Andina (CAN)
- European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization (EPPO)
- Inter-African Phytosanitary Council (IAPSC)
- Near East and North Africa Plant Protection Organization (NEPPO)
- North American Plant Protection Organization (NAPPO)
- International Regional Organization for Plant and Animal Health (OIRSA)
- Pacific Plant Protection Organization (PPPO)



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Role of TC-RPPO under the IPPC: from coordination to CPM impact

Bridging Regional and Global Governance

TC-RPPO connects regional plant health realities with global IPPC governance and coordinates RPPO collaboration.

Focused Technical Discussions

Shift from updates to focused discussions addressing cross-regional needs and implementation challenges.

Leadership responsibility of RPPO heads

TC-RPPO elevates regional priorities, driving shared recommendations and coordinated actions at CPM level.

Emerging Technologies and Priorities

Focus on AI, pest alert systems, ePhyto, diagnostics, and humanitarian aid supports IPPC strategic goals.



What is expected from the TC-RPPO?

Expectation: move beyond updates — agree on common regional priorities, practical follow-up and clear messages for IPPC governance.

1. Coordinate across RPPOs

Consult as the group of recognized RPPOs.

Encourage inter-regional cooperation on harmonized phytosanitary measures.

Share regional intelligence on pests, risks and implementation realities.

2. Support standards & implementation

Promote the development and use of relevant ISPMs.

Identify implementation barriers and regional capacity needs.

Connect regional workshop outcomes to global standard-setting and implementation work.

3. Feed CPM & strategic priorities

Contribute to the CPM work programme with clear, consolidated messages.

Agree practical follow-up actions, not only presentations.

Communicate RPPO contributions to IPPC priorities and regional ownership.

Success measure: TC-RPPO produces fewer generic updates and more agreed priorities, decisions and follow-up that strengthen the IPPC system.



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What is expected from IPPC Regional Workshops

Shaping Standards

Workshops focus on analyzing draft standards and facilitating substantial regional comments using the Online Commenting System.

Strengthening Capacity

Workshops enhance understanding of IPPC governance, strategic frameworks, and practical tools beyond just standards review.

Regional Ownership

Workshops are organized collaboratively by regional bodies to address specific regional needs and mobilize participation.

Meaningful Outcomes

Workshops aim to produce strong comments, clearer priorities, practical ideas, and stronger regional networks for future use.



TC-RPPOs 2026: From coordination to stewardship

- **05-08 October 2026:** 38th TC-RPPO Meeting – Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
 - How TC-RPPO members better communicate accomplishments and contributions to the IPPC
 - Artificial intelligence and implications for future plant health programme
 - POARS
 - Laboratory Diagnostic Networking – microscoping each region
 - IC & SC updates
 - These are not routine update topics, but regional leadership identity
 - They require leadership judgment, strategic alignment, and visible follow-up
 - They touch the future credibility and relevance of the IPPC system





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What is asked of each RPPO head in this meeting?

- Bring one strategic regional priority
- Help identify one cross-regional opportunity
- Commit to one joint follow-up with the IPPC Secretariat or fellow RPPOs



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