



Protecting the world's plant resources from pests

# The International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)

*Meeting of the ad-hoc technical expert group on  
addressing the risks associated with the  
introduction of alien species as pets, aquarium,  
and terrarium species, as live bait and live food*

**16-18 February 2011**

**Geneva, Switzerland**



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## Mission of the IPPC

*To secure cooperation among nations in protecting global plant resources from the spread and introduction of pests of plants, in order to*

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## Vision of the IPPC

*Protecting the global plant resources from pests*

## Mission of the IPPC

*To secure cooperation among nations in protecting global plant resources from the spread and introduction of pests of plants, in order to preserve food security, biodiversity and to facilitate trade*



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# IPPC Core Activities

- **Standard Setting and Implementation**
- **Information Exchange**
- **Capacity Development**
- **Dispute Settlement**



# IPPC

**1 of 3 WTO (SPS) plant health standard  
setting organizations:**

**OIE   IPPC   Codex**



# The International Plant Protection Convention

## 177 signatories



# The IPPC

## Our partners:

- Countries (National Plant Protection Organizations- NPPOs)
- Regional Plant Protection Organizations (RPPOs)
- International organizations



# The International Plant Protection Convention

- **International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) provide governments with guidance**
- **34 ISPMs (2010) including annexes for 1 diagnostic protocol and 14 phytosanitary treatments**





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## Inter-agency Liaison Group on Invasive Alien Species (LG-IAS)

### Membership:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>CBD, Convention on Biological Diversity</b></li><li>• <b>CITES, Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species</b></li><li>• <b>FAO, Food and Agriculture Organization (Fisheries, Forestry and Livestock)</b></li><li>• <b>GISP, Global Invasive Species Programme</b></li><li>• <b>ICAO, International Civil Aviation Organization</b></li><li>• <b>IMO, International Maritime Organization</b></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>IPPC, International Plant Protection Convention</b></li><li>• <b>IUCN, International Union for Conservation of Nature</b></li><li>• <b>OIE, World Organization for Animal Health</b></li><li>• <b>STDF, Standards Trade and Development Facility</b></li><li>• <b>WTO, World Trade Organization (SPS Committee)</b></li></ul> |
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# LG-IAS

14-15 February 2011, Geneva

- Comments for AHTEG
  - Request OIE to consider expanding their mandate to provide guidance on conducting risk analysis on species that have a negative affect on animal health.
  - Encourage the use of the IPPC risk analysis framework in the meantime, as the concepts may be broadly applied for until more specific guidance can be provided by OIE



## Comments for AHTEG (Cont)

- provide guidance using a collection of tools including public awareness through to the use of “bans”, with the later, caution is advised as bans are often difficult to enforce and often drive trade underground.
- The use of lists of invasive species could be useful but should be associated with a specific area or region as invasiveness is associated with an ecosystem.



# Comments for AHTEG (Cont)

- Guidance on risk analysis is useful and providing links to information on previous risk assessments would be helpful.

