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1. The International Advisory Group for Pest Risk Analysis (IAGPRA) is a small independent group of pest risk analysts, mostly working with National Plant Protection Organizations, with expertise in plant pest risk analysis and related matters. Over the years, this group has provided expert advice and support to the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) Secretariat on pest risk analysis (PRA) related issues, in particular with respect to building capacity for PRA.

2. Recent activities: A list serv (PHRA-L@WWW.AGR.GC.CA) has been in operation for over 10 years, enabling plant pest risk analysts to send and receive messages about PRA. IAGPRA has been working to help increase the communication between PRA workers through the use of social media. A closed Facebook group has been established where pest risk assessors, pest risk managers and pest risk analysts can discuss phytosanitary matters informally between professionals. The Facebook group aims to provide mutual help & support to the community involved in plant pest risk assessment and plant pest risk analysis within the framework of the IPPC. A similar group has also been established on LinkedIn, a professional networking site on social media.

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3. Most recently IAGPRA has developed a wikipedia page for PRA¹.
4. IAGPRA has also provided creative and editorial input to a USA led project aimed at promoting the need for pest risk analysis. IAGPRA reviewed the draft leaflets, narrated slide shows and multilingual videos that were produced by USA plant health experts. The materials are available at <http://phytosanitary.info/pr> and videos are on You-tube².
5. You can find out more information on the IAGPRA web page on the IPP³
6. Looking ahead, IAGPRA hopes to further increase communication between PRA workers, sharing information on the approaches taken and the challenges faced so as to learn from each other.
7. Experts who are interested in joining or assisting with the work of the IAGPRA are welcome to submit their names for consideration to the IPPC secretariat and can be added to the membership. Experts can also be invited to participate as co-opted members for specific tasks. The work of the International Advisory Group on PRA is conducted primarily by electronic communication.

¹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pest_Risk_Analysis

² e.g. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mHIGRiaiso8>

³ IAGPRA IPP web page:
<https://www.ippc.int/en/liason/organizations/internationaladvisorygrouppestriskanalysis/>