

# ePhyto's contribution to safe trade facilitation



## IPPC harmonisation of Electronic Phytosanitary Certification

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of the United Nations



International Plant  
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# 1. Introduction



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# Plant health guarantees phytosanitary certificates (PCs)

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Price in: **420Rub.**

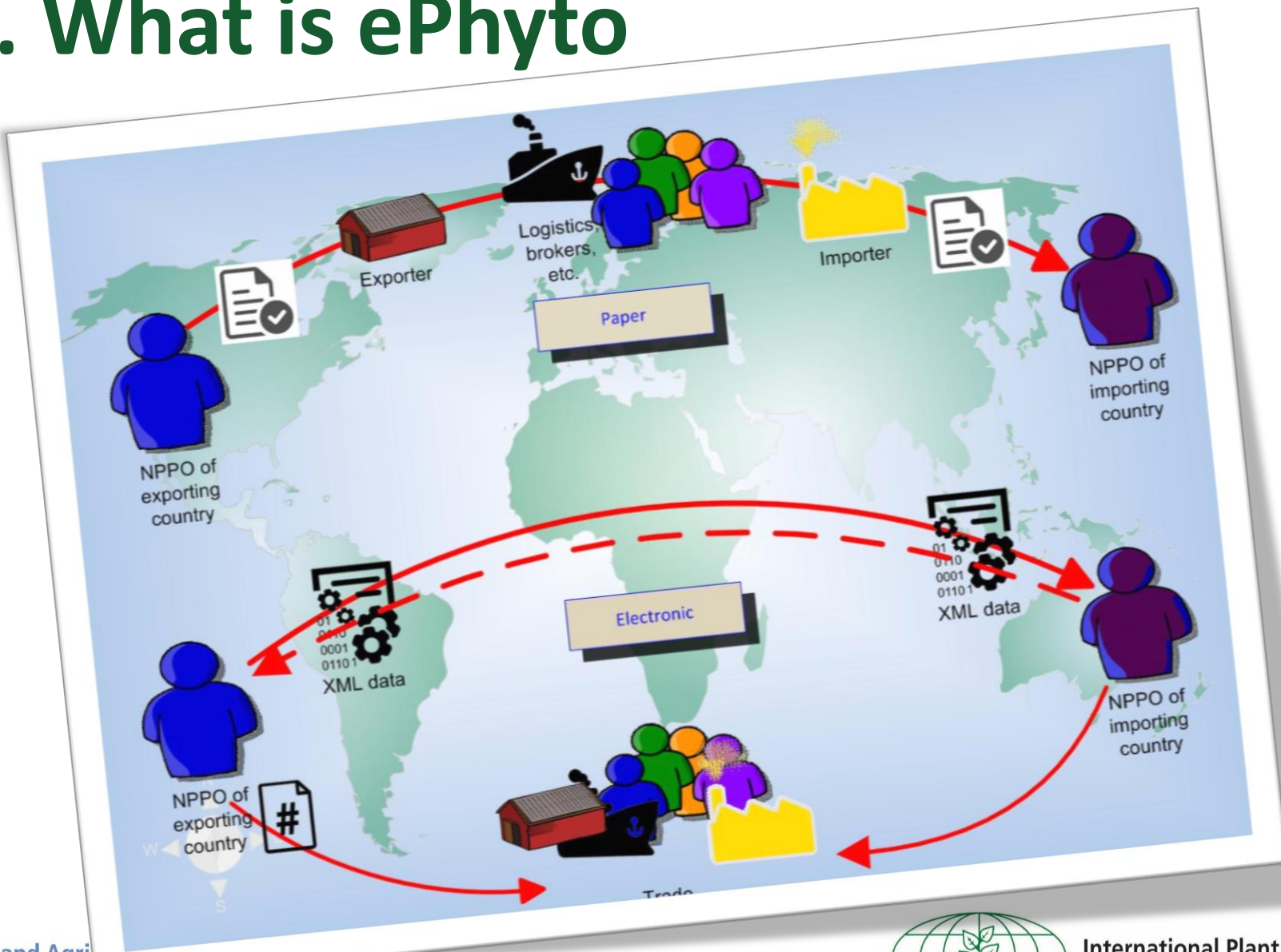
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## New fare payment feature using contactless technology



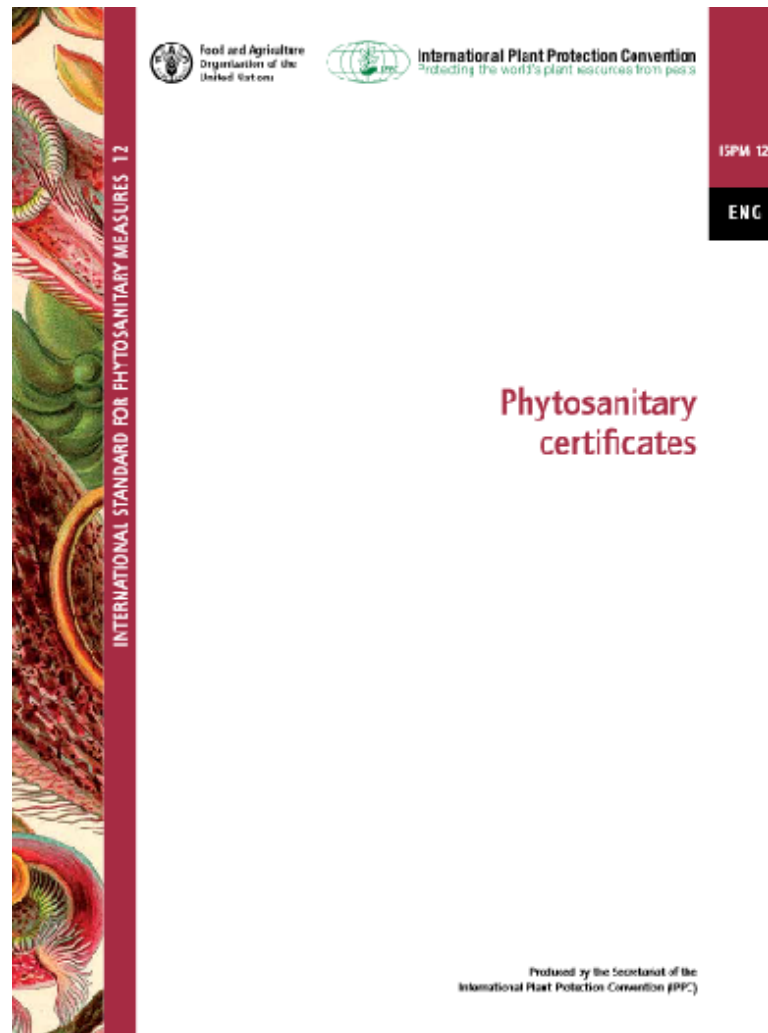
## 2. What is ePhyto





# 3. IPPC Harmonisation

## ISPM 12 and ePhyto



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ISPM 12

Phytosanitary certificates - Appendix 1

This appendix was adopted by the Ninth Session of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures in April 2014.  
This appendix is for reference purposes only and is not a prescriptive part of the standard.

## **APPENDIX 1: Electronic phytosanitary certificates, information on standard XML schemas and exchange mechanisms (2014)**

### **Introduction**

Electronic phytosanitary certificates are the electronic equivalents of phytosanitary certificates in paper form and may be used if they are accepted by the national plant protection organization (NPPO) of the importing country. When electronic phytosanitary certificates are issued by the NPPO of the exporting or re-exporting country, they should be made directly available to the NPPO of the importing country.

➤ **ePhyto is equivalent to a paper phytosanitary certificate**



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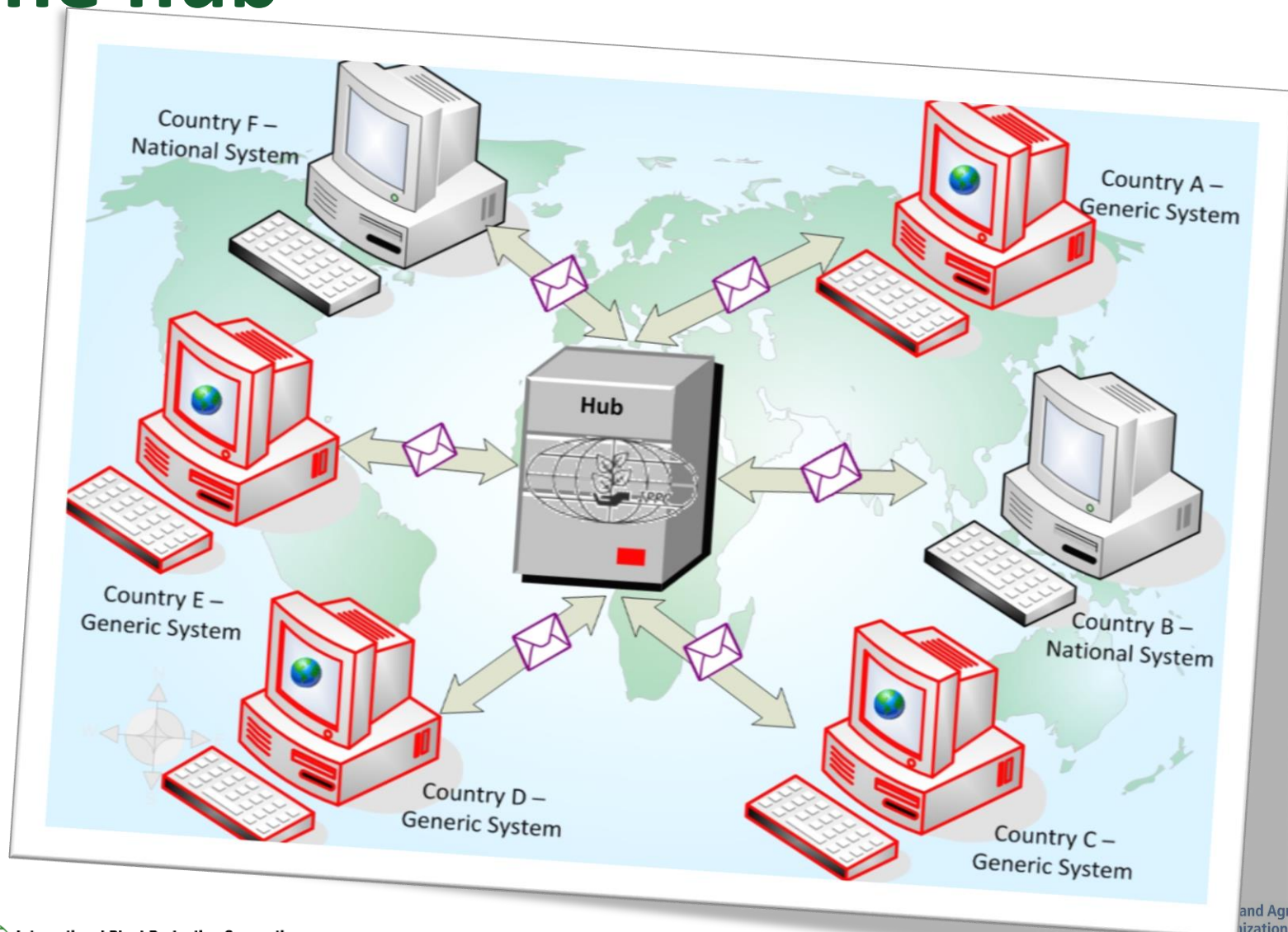


# ISPM 12 Appendix 1

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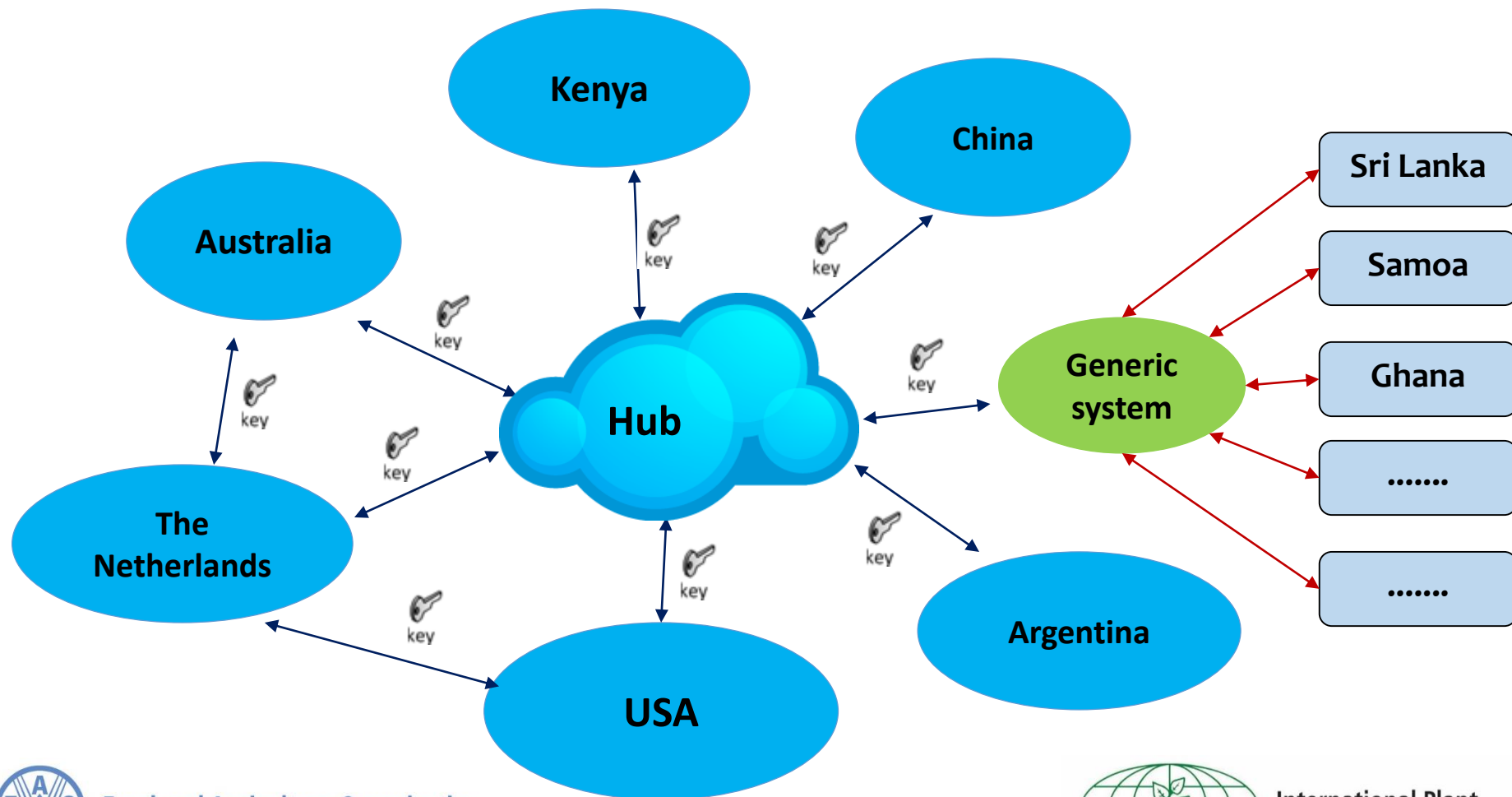
- Adopted in 2014
- Standardisation of:
  - ✓ format of message (UN/CEFACT schema and mapping)
  - ✓ contents of message (terms and codes)
  - ✓ exchange mechanism (authentication and security)

# The hub





# The hub and generic system



# Contents of ePhyto

- **Harmonized terms and codes:**
- **Scientific names of plants and pests (EPPO database and EPPO codes)**
- **ISO country codes**
- **Description of product: e.g. seeds for sowing**
- **Treatment type**
- **Kg, m, date, etc**



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| seeds                   | semences                     | semillas           | البذور               | семена                          | 种子      |
| grain                   | grain                        | grano              | حبوب                 | зерно                           | 谷物      |
| wood                    | bois                         | madera             | أخشاب                | древесина                       | 木材      |
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## 4. Facilitation of trade

- Re-use of data
- ePhytos can be checked electronically
- ePhytos can be replaced quickly
- Procedures faster
- Better risk profiling

**IPPC developments in consultation with industry  
(Industry Advisory Group)**

