



## COMMISSION ON PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES

### TWENTIETH SESSION

#### MEMBERSHIP AND POTENTIAL REPLACEMENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (IC)

#### AGENDA ITEM 23.3

*(Prepared by the IPPC Secretariat)*

##### 1. Introduction

- [1] CPM-12 (2017) established the Implementation and Capacity Development Committee (IC) to assist the CPM in addressing implementation and capacity development issues, to provide overall strategies and to oversee some of the work in this area.
- [2] The IC composition and the process of replacement of members are described in the IC Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure (TOR and ROP).<sup>1</sup>

##### 2. Update on IC Membership

- [3] According to the IC TOR and ROP, the IPPC Secretariat launched the Call for IC members<sup>2</sup> from 20 May to 18 August 2025. The call was issued to solicit nominations of IC regional representatives and experts (and replacement members) from National Plant Protection Organizations (NPPOs) and Regional Plant Protection Organizations (RPPOs).
- [4] The complete nominations for IC regional representatives have been compiled by the IPPC Secretariat and sent to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) regions through their respective Bureau members. Each region has followed its own procedures for selecting its regional representatives for both members and replacement. The final regional selection was communicated to the IPPC Secretariat through the CPM Bureau member of each region.
- [5] For IC experts, the IPPC Secretariat has compiled the nomination received and opened an e-decision inviting the CPM Bureau members to select the five experts based on technical expertise relevant for the IC.
- [6] In addition to the qualifications for members outlined in the IC TOR and ROP, the Bureau also considered the skills and experience of the selected seven regional representatives selecting the five experts to complement them as well as three potential replacement experts.
- [7] The updated IC membership is presented in Appendix 1.

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<sup>1</sup> IC TOR and ROP: <https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/85672/>

<sup>2</sup> 2025 Call for IC members : <https://www.ippc.int/en/calls/2025-call-for-implementation-and-capacity-development-committee-ic-members/>

**Recommendations**

[8] The CPM is invited to:

- 1) *confirm* the Implementation and Capacity Development Committee members, as well as the replacement members as presented in Appendix 1; and
- 2) *acknowledge* the contribution of the following former members of the Implementation and Capacity Development Committee:
  - a) Ngatoko TA NGATOKO (Cook Islands);
  - b) Elizabeth McCRUDDEN (Australia).

## Appendix 1- Membership and replacement members of the implementation and capacity development committee (IC)

Table 1: IC Members

Region / Role	Country	Name	Terms / Duration
<b>Africa</b> Regional representative	ZAMBIA	<b>Martin KABEMBA SIAZEMO</b>	1st term / 3 years <b>2026 -2029</b>
<b>Asia</b> Regional representative	CHINA	<b>Xiaoliang WANG</b>	2nd term / 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Europe</b> Regional representative	LATVIA	<b>Ringolds ARNITIS</b>	2nd term / 3 years <b>2024-2027</b>
<b>Latin America and Caribbean</b> Regional representative	ARGENTINA	<b>Ezequiel FERRO</b>	2nd term / 3 years <b>2026 -2029</b>
<b>Near East</b> Regional representative	EGYPT	<b>Islam Farahat ABDEL-AZIZ ABOELELA</b>	1st term/ 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>North America</b> Regional representative	USA	<b>David HIRSCH</b>	1st term/ 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Southwest Pacific</b> Regional representative	FIJI	<b>Nitesh DATT</b>	2nd term / 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Expert</b>	AUSTRALIA	<b>Emily LAMBERTON</b>	1st term / 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Expert</b>	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	<b>Kyu-Ock YIM</b>	3rd term / 3 years <b>2026- 2029</b>
<b>Expert</b>	COTE D'IVOIRE	<b>Lucien KOUAME KONAN</b>	2nd term / 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Expert</b>	THE NETHERLANDS	<b>Thorwald GEUZE</b>	3rd term / 3 years <b>2026- 2029</b>
<b>Expert</b>	IRELAND	<b>John EIVERS</b>	1st term/ 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Representative from the SC<sup>3</sup></b>	GHANA	<b>Prudence Tonator ATTIPOE</b>	1st term <b>2024-2027</b>
<b>Representative from the TC-RPPOs<sup>4</sup></b>	COSAVE	<b>Melisa Graciela NEDILSKYJ</b>	1st term <b>2023 -2026</b>

<sup>3</sup> Named Representative may change from time to time as determined by the SC

<sup>4</sup> Named Representative may change from time to time as determined by the TC-RPPO

**Table 2:** IC replacement members

Region/ Role	Country	Name	Current term / Duration
<b>Africa</b>	NIGERIA (1)	<b>Rosemary CHIOMA UCHE</b>	1st term / 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Asia</b>	NEPAL (1)	<b>Mahesh Chandra ACHARYA</b>	1st term / 3 years <b>2024-2027</b>
<b>Europe</b>	UNITED KINGDOM (1)	<b>Matthew EVERATT</b>	2nd term / 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
	Greece (2)	<b>Stavroula IOANNIDOU</b>	2nd term / 3 years <b>2024-2027</b>
<b>Latin America and Caribbean</b>	-	<b>VACANT</b>	-
<b>Near East</b>	TUNISIA (1)	<b>Mouna MHAFDHI</b>	1st term/ 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>North America</b>	USA	<b>Jason NEIL</b>	1st term/ 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Southwest Pacific</b>	-	<b>VACANT</b>	-
<b>Expert (1)</b>	AUSTRALIA	<b>Claire HOLLIS</b>	1st term/ 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Expert (2)</b>	KENYA	<b>George MOMANY</b>	1st term/ 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>
<b>Expert (3)</b>	LAOS	<b>Ravinder KHETARPAL</b>	2nd term/ 3 years <b>2026-2029</b>

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