



IMPLEMENTATION AND FACILITATION UNIT (IFU) 2026 WORKPLAN¹

(Approved by the IC in May 2026)

Strategies: the 2026 IFU work plan is fully consistent with the IPPC Strategic Framework 2020-2030.

The Implementation and Capacity Development (ICD) objectives will be achieved by:

- a) Focusing on global impact in order of priority: international, regional and national.
- b) Continuing building strong, quality-oriented team that supports and implements innovative ideas.
- c) Strengthening cooperation with relevant stakeholders to maximize resources to deliver ICD activities.
- d) Plan work according to allocated resources and mobilize resources as needed.

Main activities and outputs² (activities in italic blue are not funded):

- a) **Governance:** CPM-20 (2026), Bureau, SPG, POARS SG, EWG on *Rhizoctonia theobromae*, ePhyto SG, One Health FG (including Anti-Microbial Resistance or AMR) are supported, implementation of five development agendas (ePhyto, *e-commerce*, POARS, climate change and authorization of third-party entities).
- b) **CPM events:** organization of the innovation fair and successes and challenges side session and support to the NPPOs orientation session during CPM-20 (2026).
- c) **IPPC Secretariat initiatives** are supported: *FAO-One Health (including AMR)*, Management Team Meetings.
- d) **IC is supported** including face to face/virtual meetings, *IC subgroup: IPPC Observatory*, IC teams: *NROs*, contributed resources, *e-commerce*, guides and training materials, *PCE*, projects.
- e) **Guides and training materials and the List of ICD topics** are managed, and IC recommendations are submitted to CPM.
- f) **IFU communications** work plan is developed and implemented through IST and the FAO PWS (including publications, webinars, news, calls and announcements), two ICD webinars are organized (on POARS and latest IPPC ICD materials (launch of the campus in Spanish)). The phytosanitary component pages are revised.
- g) **ICD web-based information** is updated once a year. Contribute to the maintenance of the IPP through IST. Contributed resources are managed.
- h) **IPPC Observatory:** AMR and e-commerce studies are published. The third general survey is launched. *The re-thinking ISPMs topic is addressed. The assessment of the IPPC Strategic Framework 2020-2030 is initiated.*
- i) **Guides and training materials:** Risk-based inspection guide and two WPM treatment manuals are published. E-learning courses on ePhyto, sea containers, and risk-based inspection are developed and published. The IPPC Plant Health Campus is promoted and further developed. Guide on audit

¹ Activities in italic and blue are those unfunded or partially funded

² Subject to adequate staffing. Please refer to the IFU organigramme for the current staffing situation.
<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/91133/>

drafted the guide on authorization of third-party entities initiated (call for resources, call for experts). Ten guides or training materials are translated into an official FAO language.

- j) **Projects managed (or phytosanitary input provided):** *Africa Phytosanitary Programme (APP)* *supported*; EU project on three DAI managed. Support overall management for the six PCE legal reviews in PRASAC-CEMAC countries (STDF). EC ePhyto project in Central Africa and EU managed. CIRAD Public Private Partnership workshop organized for POARS. Backstopping for FAO projects and support for projects drafting.
- k) **PCE online system:** The PCE online system improvement proceeds.
- l) **ePhyto:** a new ePhyto governing body is established, ePhyto funding model agreed at CPM-20 is implemented, ePhyto Africa Initiative is implemented, participation in regional or international partners workshops/meetings.
- m) **STDF Working Group:** STDF WG attended, PPGs and PGs reviewed and supported.
- n) **ICD Procedure Manual** is reviewed and updated annually; the 2025 version is published in ~~March~~ 2026.
- o) **Dispute avoidance assistance** is provided to Contracting Parties as requested, and the CPM Bureau is supported accordingly.
- p) **IPPC Regional workshops:** participate in preparatory meetings to develop the agenda and presentations and three RW are co-organized and co-delivered by IFU.
- q) **External Cooperation**³ is maintained or developed with various organizations: EC, CABI, CIHEAM, CIRAD, COLEAD, EFSA, INRAE, IPCC, GATF, GEA, STDF, UNFCC, UPU, WCO, and World Bank.

³ The list of IPPC partners and contact points is available at: <https://www.ippc.int/fr/ippc-community/partners/>