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# COMMISSION ON PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES

## **Tenth Session**

**Rome, 16-20 March 2015**

**Possible Criteria for the CPM recommendations**

**Changes to CPM 2015/03 and CPM 2015/INF/16**

**Agenda item 15.1**

**Prepared by the Small CPM Working Group**

1. A small group met and considered CPM\_2015/03 and CPM\_2015/INF16 as well as interventions made during the Plenary. They proposed modifications to both the Process for adopting CPM recommendations (in track changes) and the Criteria.

2. The Process for adopting CPM recommendations is as follows:

- 1) a contracting party or the Secretariat may propose a topic for a CPM recommendation and present it to the CPM
- 2) the need for a new CPM recommendation should be discussed and agreed in a CPM meeting
- 3) a draft CPM recommendation and the rationale or justification for its need should be submitted to the IPPC Secretariat by 15 May and then circulated for comments for a period of three months ~~following the CPM meeting~~
- ~~3)4)~~ comments should be submitted and compiled using the IPPC Online Comment System (OCS) and compiled comments will be published on the IPP
- ~~4)5)~~ the Secretariat will revise draft CPM recommendations based on comments received, then submit the revised draft to the CPM Bureau for consideration of comments, revision if necessary and recommendation to the CPM for adoption
- ~~5)6)~~ the draft CPM recommendation is submitted to the CPM for adoption.

3. CPM recommendation Criteria

When reviewing topics for proposed CPM recommendations, the following criteria should be considered:

- 1) In all cases, the proposed topic should be relevant to the ongoing activities of all contracting parties in the area of plant protection, in accordance with and within the context of the IPPC and its strategic objectives.
- 2) And as much as possible the proposed topic should:
  - a) address urgently areas of common interest for plant protection.
  - b) provide concise needed guidance in areas related to phytosanitary issues for relevant constituencies.
  - c) address areas related to phytosanitary issues that need guidance involving constituencies from outside the NPPO.
  - d) be related to an important and/or urgent topic which needs to be addressed, but the CPM considers that it is not yet ready or appropriate to be addressed by an ISPM, or an ISPM on the topic would be too difficult to implement.

4. The CPM is requested to:

- Adopt modifications to the Process for adopting CPM recommendations (as presented in Annex XX)
  - *Adopt* the Criteria for CPM recommendations (as presented in Annex XX).
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