



STANDARD SETTING WORK PLAN FOR 2016 AND 2017

(Prepared by the Secretariat)

Background

- [1] Following recommendations from the Enhancement Evaluation study and the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM) Bureau, the Secretariat has developed an integrated work plan for 2016 (and tentatively for 2017). This paper presents the standard setting part which is based on the clear priorities set by CPM.
- [2] The standard setting work plan is developed based on the two main tools that show the status of standards and the planned work within standard setting, and that should be consulted for explanatory details:
 - (1) [The List of Topics for IPPC standards \(LOT\)](#) which is updated after each Standards Committee (SC) meeting and which presents the status of each item as well as the CPM priority (considering also the additional guidance from CPM to treat topics for which a draft ISPM has been developed as high priority).
 - (2) [The calendar on the IPP](#) which shows all standard setting tentative and confirmed meetings for the next two years. It also shows the various times members are consulted (Member consultation on draft ISPMs and specifications, Substantial concerns commenting period (SCCP), Expert consultations on draft diagnostic protocols (DPs), DP notification periods, etc.)
- [3] Outputs from the standard setting work plan are published on the IPP: adopted [ISPMs](#), [approved Specifications](#) and [approved Explanatory Documents](#).
- [4] A general chart of the processes and products that are under the responsibility of the Standard Setting Unit are presented in Appendix 1.
- [5] In order to deliver this work plan, it is essential that adequate skilled staff as indicated in the [linked chart are available](#).
- [6] Abbreviated titles for topics are used for simplicity; full names are available on the LOT. Where possible, numbers and titles of draft ISPMs going through the different steps of the standard setting process are predicted, but these will depend on decisions made by CPM and the SC. In some cases, only approximate numbers are given.

2016**Draft ISPMs, specifications and expert input**

- **CPM**
 - 5 draft ISPMs will be presented for adoption (Glossary, Host Status FF and Wood) including 2 phytosanitary treatments (PTs)
 - 5 DPs adopted by the SC will be noted
 - 32 Language Review Groups (LRGs) ISPMs (Arabic, Chinese, French and Spanish) will be noted
- **4 Member consultations:**
 - 2 draft DPs in February (only diagnostic protocols)
 - 8 draft ISPMs in July: 3 DPs as well as 5 other draft ISPMs (Glossary, Wood handicrafts, Cut flowers, Temperature treatment requirements, ISPM 6 Revision)
 - 2 draft Specifications in June
 - 2 draft Specifications in December
- **Substantial concerns commenting period:**
 - 4 draft ISPMs (Seeds, Used Equipment, annexes 1 and 2 of ISPM 15, verification of compliance of consignments by importing country in exporting country)
 - Reorganization of FF suite of standards (ISPM 26, ISPM 30, ISPM 35 and FF Host Status)
- **DP notification periods:**
 - 3 draft DPs in July
 - 3 draft DPs in December
- **3 Expert Consultations on draft DPs:**
 - 3 draft DPs in February
 - 3 draft DPs in March
 - 2 draft DPs in September
- **2 calls for experts will be made**
- **Manage** memberships of SC & SC-7 x 25 members, 5 Technical Panels (TPs) x ~40 members, 10 EWGs x ~70 members, ~100 DP authors and 5 LRGs

Meetings (organization, liaison, document preparation and meeting reports):

- **3 SC meetings (as well as 20 SC e-decisions):**
 - SC May (interpreted into 3 FAO languages)
 - SC-7 May
 - SC November (interpreted into 3 FAO languages)
 - **4 face-to-face TP meetings**
 - TPFQ June (Tree seeds, Criteria for ISPM 15 treatments, HT and SF changes)
 - TPDP July (7 DPs)
 - TPPT August (Treatment Requirements: Chemical, Fumigation, Irradiation, Modified Atmosphere and 15 PTs, pending FAO/IAEA study)
 - TPG December (various terms and review of member comments)
 - **8 virtual TP meetings**
 - **2 EWGs** (July: Sea Containers (#1) and September: Grain (#1))
- Standard setting documents will also be prepared for CPM (including Framework for standards and implementation and the revision of the standard setting procedure), 2 Bureau meetings and SPG
- **CPM** special topics on Sea Containers. Side session on Standards and surveillance and input to the use of diagnostic protocols for surveillance.

Liaison

- Contribution to Secretariat level activities and internal collaboration: IPPC Regional Workshops; implementation; resource mobilization, advocacy, communication, planning, budgeting & monitoring, International Year of Plant Health, etc.
- Liaison and partnership with various organizations to optimize opportunities (Ozone Secretariat, CBD (GTI), IAEA, Codex and OIE, IMO, ILO, UNECE, WCO, international industry associations, ISF, ISO, IFQRG, PRMG, RPPOs)

Products:

- ISPMs in all FAO languages published (Arabic, Chinese, English, French , Russian; ISPMs in Co-published languages and Explanatory Documents in English)
- IPPC Procedure Manual for Standard setting published annually (September)
- IPPC Style Guide for standard setting documents updated as necessary
- List of topics for IPPC standards (LOT) in all FAO languages published biannually
- Revised IPPC Standard Setting Procedure
- 7 Co-publishing agreements monitored and managed (for German, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Thai, Turkish and Vietnamese)
- IPP web pages (~60 public pages reviewed and ~20 restricted area pages created)
- Searchable PDF database updated tri-annually with ISPMs, specifications and meeting reports
- New Online Commenting System (OCS) available for users
- Communication materials (TPs, DP authors, advocacy, 30 news items related to standard setting and contributions to IPPC newsletter)
- Training materials (Updated manuals for: New SC members and OCS)

2017**Draft ISPMs, specifications and expert input**

- **CPM**
 - 19 draft ISPMs will be presented for adoption (Seeds, Used Equipment, annexes 1 and 2 of ISPM 15, verification of compliance of consignments by importing country in exporting country) including 15 PTs
 - Reorganization of FF suite of standards (ISPM 26, ISPM 30, ISPM 35 and FF Host Status) will be presented for adoption or noting
 - 6 DPs adopted by the SC will be noted
 - 32 LRG ISPMs (Arabic, Chinese, French and Spanish) will be noted
- **4 Member Consultations:**
 - 3 draft DPs in February (only diagnostic protocols)
 - 8 draft ISPMs in July: 3 draft DPs as well as 6 other draft ISPMs (Treatment Requirements for: Chemical, Fumigation, Irradiation, Modified Atmosphere , sea containers, grain))
 - 2 draft Specifications in June
 - 2 draft Specifications in December
- **Substantial concerns commenting period:** 6 draft ISPMs (ISPM 6 revision, Treatment Requirements: temperature treatments, Cut flowers, Glossary, Growing Media, Wood handicrafts,)
- **DP notification periods:**
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- **2 Expert consultations on draft DPs:**
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- **Call for topics for IPPC standards**
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 - TPPT
 - TPDP
 - TPG December (various terms and review of member comments)
- **8 virtual TP meetings**
- **2 EWGs** (revision of ISPM 8 (#1) and revision of ISPM 4 (#4) Note these are the only remaining Specifications approved for EWG work)
- **Standard setting documents** will also be prepared for CPM, 2 Bureau meetings and SPG

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