## UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES OF THE TECHNICAL PANEL ON FOREST QUARANTINE (TPFQ) FROM MAY 2015 TO APRIL 2016

(Prepared by the IPPC Secretariat)

- [1] The IPPC Secretariat support for the Technical Panel on Quarantine (TPFQ) are:
  - Mr Michael D. ORMSBY (lead)
  - Mr Brent LARSON (back up).

### Membership update

The TPFQ membership detailed list and the members contact information can be found on <u>IPP</u>. In table 1 there is the simplified list of the TPFQ membership.

Table 1. TPFQ membership (as of March 2016)

Participant role	Name (country/organisation)	Term expires*
Steward	Mr Piotr WLODARCZYK (POLAND)	
Assistant steward	Ms Marie-Claude FOREST (CANADA)	
Retiring Member	Mr Edson Tadeu IEDE (BRAZIL)	November 2016
Retiring Member	Mr Marcos Beéche CISTERNAS (CHILE)	November 2016
Retiring Member	Mr Sven Christer MAGNUSSON (NORWAY)	November 2016
New Member	Mr Zong SHIXIANG (CHINA)	November 2020
New Member	Mr Lucio MONTECCHIO (ITALY)	November 2020
New Member	Mr Krzysztof SUPRUNIUK (POLAND)	November 2020
New Member	Mr John Tyrone JONES (USA)	November 2020
Continuing Member	Mr Thomas SCHRÖDER (GERMANY)	November 2020
Continuing Member	Mr Victor AGYEMAN (GHANA)	November 2020
Continuing Member	Mr Mamoru MATSUI (JAPAN)	November 2020
Continuing Member	Mr Eric ALLEN (IFQRG Chair)	November 2020

<sup>\*</sup> Terms expected to expire once panel work completed

- At the November 2015 meeting of the Standards Committee (SC) it was agreed that the terms of Mr Edson Tadeu IEDE (BRAZIL), Mr Marcos Beéche CISTERNAS (CHILE), and Mr Sven Christer MAGNUSSON (NORWAY) would not be renewed, with remaining member terms renewed for another 5 years.
- [4] Mr Shane SELA (CANADA) resigned from the panel in January 2016.
- [5] The SC agreed by e-decision (2016\_eSC\_May\_08) to replace these members with Mr John Tyrone JONES (USA), Mr Lucio MONTECCHIO (ITALY), Mr Krzysztof SUPRUNIUK (POLAND), and Mr Zong SHIXIANG (CHINA).
- [6] The SC also agreed by e-decision (2016\_eSC\_May\_08) to invite Mr Moctar SACANDE (BURKINA FASO) to attend the June face-to-face meeting of the TPFQ as an invited expert.

#### Volume of work for the TPFQ from May 2015 to April 2016

- Since May 2015 the TPFQ has met online (virtually) three times<sup>1</sup>:
  - June 2015 virtual meeting,
  - October 2015 virtual meeting,
  - February 2016 virtual meeting.
- [8] The panel also undertook one online forum<sup>2</sup> to review a draft document, using the facility provided on the IPP.
- Over this period, the TPFQ continued to liaise with the International Forest Quarantine Research Group (IFQRG) on matters relevant to the work of the panel.

# **Highlights on the work**

- [10] The TPFQ drafted or aided in drafting a number of documents for SC consideration including:
- The SC May 2015 agreed that the Steward in collaboration with the TPFQ would revise the draft ISPM on *International movement of wood* (2006-029), taking into consideration the outcomes from the working group discussing the concept of a commodity standard, and present the revised draft to the SC November 2015.
- The SC May 2015 requested the Steward work with the TPFQ to revise the draft ISPM on International movement of wood products and handicrafts made from wood (2008-008), taking into account SC May 2015 comments for improvement, and submit the revised draft to the SC meeting in November 2015.
- The SC May 2015 requested the TPFQ set as a high priority the development of the draft annex Forest tree seed (2009-003) to draft ISPM on International movement of seeds (2009-003) in order to submit it to the SC November 2015 meeting. This work will need to be completed in collaboration with the Steward of the draft ISPM on International movement of seeds (2009-003).
- The TPFQ has also continued to work on drafting the revision of ISPM 15 (Regulation of wood packaging material in international trade): Criteria for treatments for wood packaging material in international trade (2006-010).
- [15] Revised draft ISPM on *International movement of wood* (2006-029) and draft ISPM on *International movement of wood products and handicrafts made from wood* (2008-008) were submitted to the SC November 2015 meeting.
- The SC November 2015 asked the Steward, in collaboration with the TPFQ, to redraft the ISPM on *International movement of wood* (2006-029) taking into consideration the conclusions outlined in section 5 of this report and resubmit it to the SC.
- The SC November 2015 invited the TPFQ to review the draft ISPM on *International movement of wood products and handicrafts made from wood* (2008-008), taking into account the observations made by the SC November 2015 and provide input to the Steward. The Steward's revision should be resubmitted to the SC.
- [18] The draft ISPM on *International movement of wood* (2006-029) as revised by the Steward with input from TPFQ members has been resubmitted to the SC May 2016 meeting.

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 $<sup>^{1}\</sup> TPFQ\ meeting\ reports\ available\ at:\ \underline{https://www.ippc.int/core-activities/standards-setting/expert-drafting-groups/technical-panels/technical-panel-forest-quarantine}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> TPFQ Fora are available at: <a href="https://www.ippc.int/en/forum/">https://www.ippc.int/en/forum/</a>

#### Tentative work plan for the period May 2016-April 2017

- As agreed by the SC and in order to provide some overlap, the Secretariat has invited both current and new members to attend a June 2016 face-to-face meeting of the TPFQ in Victoria, Canada from 6-10 June 2016. The Secretariat also anticipates that the TPFQ will continue to meet virtually to complete their work programme. Outstanding work includes:
- Revision of ISPM 15 (Regulation of wood packaging material in international trade): Criteria for treatments for wood packaging material in international trade (2006-010) (Priority 2).
- Draft annex Forest tree seed to draft ISPM on International movement of seed (2009-003) (Priority 1).
- The TPFQ may be asked to assist the Steward in responding to member comments from the Substantial Concerns Commenting Period (SCCP) on the revision of the dielectric heating section (Annex 1 (Approved treatments associated with wood packaging material) to ISPM 15. (Regulation of wood packaging material in international trade) (2006-010A and B).
- The TPFQ may be asked to assist the Steward in responding to member comments (SCCP) on the inclusion of the phytosanitary treatment (PT): *Sulfuryl fluoride fumigation of wood packaging material* (2007-101) in ISPM 15 (2009).