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**Template for proposals going to CPM that have resource implications to
the budget of the IPPC Secretariat - Supplementary document to CPM
2019/16**

Agenda item 8.7

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Main Doc Title: IPPC e-Commerce proposed project work plan and budget (CPM 2019/16)

Draft decision proposed for CPM: agree to the draft project work plan and budget and commit to provide extra-budgetary resources to implement the draft project work plan.

A. Linkage to IPPC Strategic Framework or other core IPPC mandate aspects

Please outline linkages the draft decision has relating to:

1. IPPC Strategic objectives contained in the IPPC Strategic Framework:

Enhanced capacity of CPs to conduct activities on e-Commerce will contribute to all IPPC Strategic objectives contained in the currently adopted IPPC Strategic Framework:

A: Food Security

B: Environmental Protection

C: Trade Facilitation

D: Capacity Development

2. Core activities:

3. IPPC Development Agenda 2020-2030:

The draft IPPC Strategic Framework 2020-2030 includes the management of e-Commerce and courier mail pathways in the IPPC Development Agenda and outlines a number of activities to be carried out during 2020-2030. There include:

- An international communications effort targeting companies selling through e-Commerce channels and consumers to ensure they understand the need and how to comply with importing country phytosanitary requirements
- Establishment of an inter-agency network (CITES/WCO/IPPC) to create synergy in developing a joint policy and recommendations with regard to e-Commerce and courier/postal pathways
- Establishment of a joint inter-agency toolkit for the regulation and screening of e-Commerce and courier/postal pathways.

4. Any additional IPPC Secretariat deliverables during the implementation time frame:

n/a

B. Identification of urgency and factors to facilitate prioritisation and proposed time frame for its implementation

1. Please identify, and describe the rationale and the level of urgency for the implementation of the proposed CPM decision:

The topic of e-Commerce of plants, plant products and regulated articles was discussed during the 22nd Technical Consultation among Regional Plant Protection Organizations (TC-RPPO) in 2010. In 2012, the Implementation Review and Support System (IRSS) conducted a study on “Internet Trade (e-Commerce) in Plants: Potential Phytosanitary Risks”. During the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM-7, 2012), a special topic session was organized on internet trade. The topic of e-Commerce was discussed during CPM-8 (2013), and after further consultation, a CPM-Recommendation (R-05) on Internet Trade (e-Commerce) in Plants and other Regulated Articles was adopted at CPM-09 (2014). At CPM-12 (2017), a special session was organized to raise awareness on the phytosanitary risk associated with e-Commerce and facilitate the

implementation of CPM-Recommendation (R-05). CPM-12 (2016) recommended further actions. CPM-13 (2018) noted activities undertaken by the Secretariat in relation to e-Commerce, as outlined in its report to the Commission. Some contracting parties (CPs) indicated that this topic is important, noting the increase in e-Commerce trade.

2. Please indicate what priority/relevance this draft decision has in relation to existing IPPC activities and mandate (1 - minimum relevance; 2 - medium relevance; 3 - high relevance; X – mandatory):

3 - high relevance

3. Please outline the proposed time frame for the implementation of the draft decision (months or years):

A five years action plan is foreseen, starting when extra-budgetary resources are made available to conduct activities.

The following activities will be undertaken in the framework of the project:

- Maintain the membership list and contact details of the governing body to be defined
- Coordinate arrangements for any governance meetings, either face to face or virtual, in consultation with the IPPC Secretariat
- Facilitate actions to progress the e-Commerce action plan
- Facilitate communication and engagement with and between e-Commerce governing body members, CPs, RPPOs, industry, technical experts, WCO and other international organisations to progress activities and outcomes on e-Commerce
- Prepare and deliver reports to the IPPC governing bodies on the activities and achievements on e-Commerce with reference to the agreed work plan
- Liaise with the IPPC Secretariat to monitor expenditure against the agreed budget and available resource
- Coordinate the publication of resource materials with the IPPC Secretariat

C. Resource implications for the IPPC Secretariat's budget for implementation of the decision

Please provide the following information:

1. Estimated total cost of implementation (in USD):

A total of 530,000 USD for a 5 years action plan.

2. Resources already allocated, if any, for the implementation of the action (USD):

0 USD

3. Estimated resource requirements in addition to those already planned for in the Work Plan and Budget:

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4. Potential funding source(s):

NPPOs, RPPOs, other donors