



# NROs Update

NATIONAL REPORTING  
OBLIGATIONS' NEWSLETTER

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## 2019 IPPC Theme "Plant Health and Capacity Development"

The theme selected for the year 2019 "Plant Health and Capacity Development" has been celebrated through a series of activities coordinated and organized by the IPPC Secretariat with kind support from IPPC Contracting Parties. Those activities have so far included:

- ◆ a key note address delivered by Dr. Anne Bucher, the Director-General of the DG-SANTE of the European Commission (EC), at the 14th Session of the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM-14);
- ◆ a special topic session on Plant Health and Capacity development held on 4 April 2019 during CPM-14;
- ◆ a side session aimed to raise awareness on capacity development approaches in the IPPC community held on 1 April 2019 during CPM-14;
- ◆ a brainstorming session for the IPPC Secretariat staff during the 2019 Annual meeting held on 27 January 2019.

All materials gathered so far are available on the [IPP thematic page](#) and on this [IPPC news](#).

The additional activities will embrace the creation of a theme-based IPPC leaflet and the organization of an IPPC Seminar during the IPPC Strategic Planning Group meeting in October 2019.

## Did you know?

On 20 December 2018, Rome, the UN General Assembly proclaimed 2020 the International Year of Plant Health. [You can read more about this initiative here and here.](#)

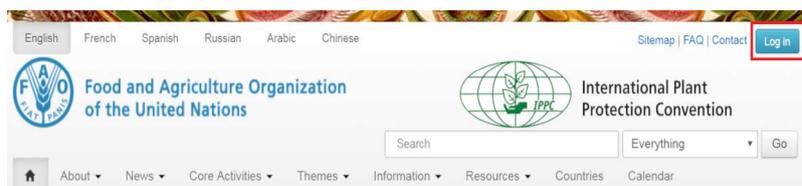


## Creating and Uploading Pest reports on the IPP

In order to create and update a new pest report you need to follow the steps described below.

### a) Create a new pest report

- ◆ Log in to the [IPP website](#)



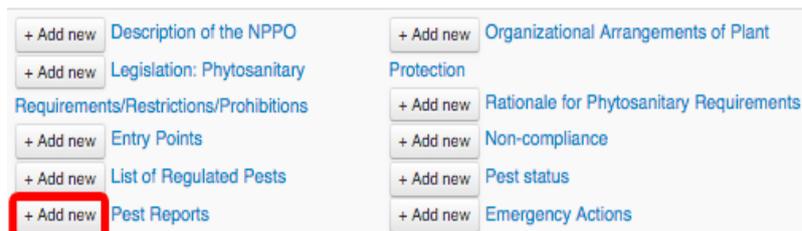
- ◆ Click on the button: **"Edit Country Information"**



Below the Contact Point details, you can see the list of **"National Reporting Obligations"**.

- ◆ In order to add a new report you need to click on the button: **"Add new"** next to **"Pests Reports"**.

#### National Reporting Obligations



Clicking on this button activates a form. This form opens enabling you to submit data. Detail instruction are available on [The Guide to National Reporting Obligations](#).

- ◆ When you have finished filling in the form save the data by clicking on the button: **"Submit"** at the bottom of the page





Remember about this advice:

Before uploading a new report, check first whether a similar report already exists. It is preferable that you update the existing report first, if possible.

**b) Update an existing pest report**

- ◆ To see the list of all pest reports submitted by your country you need to click on the "Official Pest Reports".

**National Reporting Obligations**

The screenshot shows a grid of menu items for National Reporting Obligations. The 'Pest Reports' item is highlighted with a red rectangular box. Other items include 'Description of the NPPO', 'Legislation: Phytosanitary Requirements/Restrictions/Prohibitions', 'Entry Points', 'List of Regulated Pests', 'Organizational Arrangements of Plant Protection', 'Rationale for Phytosanitary Requirements', 'Non-compliance', 'Pest status', and 'Emergency Actions'. Each item has a '+ Add new' button next to it.



- ◆ From the list of all pest reports submitted by your country you need to select the report you would like to update by clicking on "Edit" on the right.



The screenshot shows a table titled 'Pest Reports from Country'. At the top right, there are buttons for '- Go back' and '+ Add new pest report'. Below the title is a search bar. The table has columns for Status, Report Number, Identity of Pest, Title, Publication Date, Last Updated, and Last confirmed. One entry is visible: Report Number NRO-013, Identity of Pest Abagrotis alternata - (ABAGAL), Title Pest Report title, Publication Date 01 Aug 2019, Last Updated 01 Aug 2019, and Last confirmed data revised on 01 Aug 2019. An 'Edit' button is visible at the end of the row.

- ◆ When you have finished filling in the form remember to save the data by clicking on the button labelled: "Update Report" at the bottom of the page

**Update Report**



## Statistics on Pest Reports on the IPP

Pest Reports			
Region	Number of contracting parties	Number of reporting parties	Number of reports
Africa	49	19	78
Asia	25	14	61
Europe	45	20	181
Latin America & Caribbean	33	19	110
Near East	16	0	0
North America	2	2	213
South West Pacific	13	9	111
<b>Total</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>755</b>

(data valid: 31 December 2018)



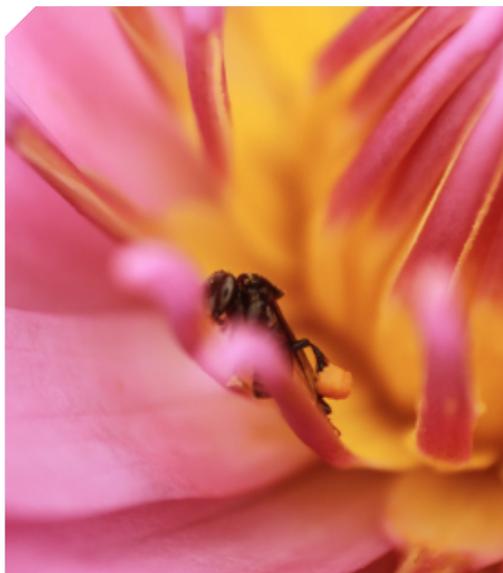
## Call for human-interest stories on plant health for IYPH 2020

FAO and the IPPC Secretariat launched a call for human-interest stories on plant health. [You can read more about this event here.](#)

## The survey on National Reporting Obligations (NROs)

The IPPC Secretariat launched a survey to collect comments and suggestions to improve NROs and provide better support to contact parties to fulfill their obligations. We wish to invite and encourage all the NPPOs to participate in this survey and provide their valuable suggestions to make the NRO programme more efficient and accessible.

The survey can be found at this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z92BBR3>.



## Think before your travel – understand the consequences of your actions

How often do we travel and buy wooden curios, flowers or agricultural products to take home to your friends and family? THINK before you do this – you could be taking pests back to your country that could result in a very significant negative economic, food security or environmental impact.

**Prevention is better than cure**  
**Be responsible for your actions!**

### THE ACRONYM FINDER

CP	IPPC Contracting Party
CPM	Commission on Phytosanitary Measures
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
IPP	International Phytosanitary Portal ( <a href="http://www.ippc.int">www.ippc.int</a> )
IPPC	International Plant Protection Convention
NPPO	National plant protection organization
NROs	National Reporting Obligations
NROAG	National Reporting Obligations Advisory Group
OCP	Official Contact Point of a Contracting Party to the Convention
RPPO	Regional plant protection organization

### USEFUL LINKS

#### The role of the IPPC Contact Point

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/role-ippc-official-contact-points/>

#### A nomination form for the IPPC Contact Point

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/ippc-official-contact-point-notification-form/>

#### A nomination form for the IPP editor

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/ipp-editor-nomination-request-nppos/>

#### Guide to National Reporting Obligations (Version 1.1, May 2016)

<https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/80405/>

#### General info on NROs

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/>

#### NROs UPDATE: previous editions

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/the-year-of-the-official-contact-point/>

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/the-year-of-the-organization-of-the-nppo/>

<https://www.ippc.int/en/core-activities/information-exchange/nro/the-nro-year-of-the-pest-reports/>

#### Summary of NRO reports provided by countries

<https://www.ippc.int/en/countries/>

#### List of IPPC Contact Points

<https://www.ippc.int/en/countries/all/contactpoints/>

#### Summary of pest reports provided by countries

<https://www.ippc.int/en/countries/all/pestreport/>



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