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1. Resources for the IPPC Secretariat are provided by FAO Regular Programme, which is funded through a mandatory assessed contribution from all Member countries. In addition, some FAO members make voluntary contributions to the *Trust Fund to the IPPC*, or other trust funds, while others chose to make separate voluntary contributions in kind.

This paper describes the activities to be undertaken by the IPPC Secretariat using those 2. resources provided by FAO Regular Programme and the voluntary contributions to the Trust Funds. The Trust Fund for the IPPC is also considered under agenda item 10.5.2 (CPM 2007/7).

I. **The FAO Regular Programme**

3. The allocation of resources to the Regular Programme is approved by the FAO Conference, which consists of all FAO Members. The Conference meets biennially and, as a consequence, the FAO budget is biennial and the cycles are 2004-05, 2006-07, 2008-09, etc.

In order to meet the requirements of the Business Plan for the IPPC, extra funding from 4. members' voluntary contributions to the IPPC Trust Fund or other trust funds, and/or in-kind contributions is required to supplement that made available from FAO Regular Programme budget.

5. Estimated sources of revenue for 2007 are provided in Table 1 (Annex 1), and a budget for expenditure for 2007 is outlined in Table 2 (Annex 1). This resource analysis does not include projections of funds that may be earned by the Secretariat through the provision of services to projects under FAO Technical Cooperation Programme.

II. **Voluntary Contributions to Trust Funds**

At its fifth session in April 2003, the Interim Commission on Phytosanitary Measures 6. agreed to the establishment of the *Trust Fund for the IPPC*, which is funded through voluntary contributions. Contributions to the Trust Fund for the IPPC are reported under agenda items 10.5.1 and 10.5.2 (documents CPM 2007/3 and CPM 2007/7).

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7. As at December 2006 there has been no indication of any contributions by contracting parties to the Trust Fund for the IPPC in 2007 and all planned activities result from being able to carry over some funds from 2006.

8. The European Community has contributed approximately US\$ 250,000 for 2007 to facilitate developing countries attendance at IPPC-related meetings. Some members have made separate voluntary in-kind contributions for 2007, of particular note being that of the USA in supplying to the Secretariat the services of two Associate Professional Officers.

III. Expected outputs in 2007

9. The Secretariat presented a list of planned activities with an associated budget to the Informal Working Group on Strategic Planning and Technical Assistance (SPTA) in October 2006 for consideration. The plan was prepared on the basis of maintaining the momentum that had been developed over the previous few years.

10. The total available income (i.e. the FAO Regular Programme plus the trust funds) at that time was approximately US\$ 3.17 million. The total cost for the Secretariat's projected programme (staff and non-staff) was US\$ 4.33 million giving an unfavourable variance of -US\$ 1.16 million. The SPTA recognized that there would be insufficient resources to carry out the work programme, and activities were prioritized with some being put "on hold" in order to match the expected income (activities "on hold" could be undertaken if additional funding became available through voluntary financial or in-kind contributions).

11. After prioritization of activities, the total cost was reduced to US\$ 3.5 million, giving an unfavourable variance of -US\$ 0.33 million, which was approximately 10% of the total budget. Due to the uncertainty of income, some planned 2007 activities being started and funded from the 2006 budget, and to further possible additions from the FAO Regular Programme and in-kind contributions, the SPTA agreed that a 10% variance (unfavourable) in budget was reasonable. The Secretariat would monitor the financial situation closely and modify activities to be implemented or otherwise to ensure an end of year variance of zero.

12. Notable reductions in planned activities of the IPPC Secretariat as a consequence of the prioritisation exercise undertaken by the SPTA included a reduction in the number of standard setting expert working groups, only having the Standards Committee Working Group (SC-7) meet in May 2007 instead of the full SC, reduction in the funding available for regional workshops to review draft ISPMs, and a reduction in the planned assessments and follow-up of the IPP workshops.

13. Since the SPTA meeting there has been an increase in FAO Regular Programme funding for 2007 of approximately US\$ 270,000. This means that some of the activities that had been cancelled/on hold can now be undertaken (notably the May Standards Committee meeting). When revising the SPTA prioritisation, the Bureau agreed to keep a start-of-year unfavourable variance of approximately –US\$ 150,000 (4.5%).

14. The number of Secretariat staff available will determine the efficacy of the execution of the programme, and in particular, lack of staff may affect the Secretariat's ability to organize and run various meetings, even to the extent of cancellation.

15. Detailed work programmes for standard setting, information exchange and projects of technical assistance under the Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) are attached as annexes.

Strategic Direction No. 1: The development, adoption and monitoring of the implementation of International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures

16. The following activities are planned for 2007:

• Five technical panel meetings (diagnostic protocols, fruit flies, forest quarantine, phytosanitary treatments and glossary)

- One expert working group meeting (plants for planting)
- Two Standards Committee (SC-25) meetings (May and November)
- One SC-7 meeting (November)
- Translation and editing for draft standards
- Interpretation for the SC-25 meetings
- External publications
- One consultant for six months to assist with the standards setting work programme
- One Associate Professional Officer.

17. The following activities are on hold and will only be undertaken subject to available resources (finance and staff):

- Consultant for the preparation of the review of all ISPMs (3 months)
- Meeting of the Technical panel for the glossary on the review of ISPMs
- Two expert working groups (revision of ISPMs No. 7 & No. 12, preinspection/pre-clearance)
- Additional meetings depending on resources.

Strategic direction No. 2: Information exchange

- 18. The following activities are planned for 2007:
 - One meeting of the IPP Support Group
 - One workshop for training NPPOs
 - One workshop on the assessment of the implementation of the IPP
 - One web master (Associate Professional Officer)
 - One programmer for 11 months
 - One programmer for 4 months
 - Translation
 - Update of web pages
 - IPPC advocacy documents
 - IPPC information exchange manual.

19. The following activities are on hold and will only be undertaken subject to available finance and staff:

- One workshop for training NPPOs
- Four workshops on the assessment of the implementation of the IPP.

Strategic Direction No. 3: The provision of dispute settlement mechanisms

- 20. The following activities are planned for 2007:
 - Secretariat assistance (2 months)
 - Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Dispute Settlement
 - Translation and publication of dispute settlement advocacy document and manual.

Strategic Direction No. 4: The development of the phytosanitary capacity of Members by promoting the provision of technical assistance

- 21. The following activities are planned for 2007:
 - Four regional workshops (equivalent) on draft ISPMs,
 - One regional workshop on capacity building (Pest Risk Analysis, Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation and ISPMs)
 - Support for projects of the Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) (see Annex 4)
 - Attendance (assistance to developing countries) at the CPM
 - Working group on further developments of the PCE
 - Working meeting of the FAO Plant Protection Officers.

22. The following technical assistance activities are on hold and will be undertaken depending on availability of finance:

• Three regional workshops (equivalent) on draft ISPMs.

Strategic direction No. 5: The maintenance of an effective and efficient administrative framework

- 23. The following activities are planned for 2007:
 - Travel assistance for the Bureau (i.e. Standards Committee, Technical Consultation among Regional Plant Protection Organizations, CPM)
 - Three meetings of the Bureau
 - Travel for the Secretariat staff
 - One meeting of the SPTA
 - Assistance for CPM preparation (2 months)
 - CPM translation and interpretation
 - Equipment
 - FAO charge backs
 - Legal fees
 - Administrative support
 - IPPC Evaluation (no funds required).

24. The following administrative activities are on hold and will be undertaken depending on availability of finance:

• Meeting of members of the FAO Caribbean Plant Protection Commission.

Strategic Direction No. 6: Promotion of IPPC and cooperation with relevant international organizations

25. Attendance at the following meetings/workshop by the Secretariat/Bureau is planned:

- Bio-weapons Geneva
- Three CBD meetings
- Joint meeting of the CBD and IPPC Secretariats
- Montreal Protocol meeting
- International Forest Quarantine Research Group
- International Seed Testing Association meeting
- Three workshops of the Standards and Trade Development Facility, and
- Three meetings of the WTO-SPS Committee.

26. The following activities (meetings) relating to promotion of the IPPC and cooperation with relevant international organizations are on hold and will only be undertaken subject to available finance and staff.

- NAPPO attendance at the annual general meeting
- EPPO attendance at the annual general meeting
- COSAVE attendance at the annual general meeting
- World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)
- Codex Alimentarius
- International Atomic Energy Agency
- Activities in relation to liaison with research and education institutes.
- 27. The CPM is invited to:
 - 1. *Note* the anticipated revenues and budgeted expenses for 2007;
 - 2. *Note* that as no additional contributions to the *Trust Fund for the IPPC* have been made to date, various activities planned for 2007 may not be undertaken;
 - **3.** *Thank* the United States of America and the European Community for their extrabudgetary contributions.

Table 1: Resource analysis for 2007 (US\$) – December 2006

	Resources (estimates) for 2007
Regular Programme (2006-07)	2,593,500
Trust fund for the IPPC (incl. carry over)	350,000
Other trust funds	500,000
Total	3,443,500

Table 2: Expenditure estimates for 2007 (US\$)

	* Regular Programme Staff costs	Regular Programme Non-staff costs	Trust Fund for the IPPC	Other Trust Funds	Totals per Direction
Direction 1					
Standard Setting	339,113	461,061	50,000	50,000	900,174
Associate Professional Officer	0	0	0	125,000	125,000
Direction 2	0	0	0	0	0
Information Exchange	170,073	300,000	50,000	0	520,073
Associate Professional Officer	0	0	0	125,000	125,000
Direction 3	0	0	0	00	0
Dispute Settlement	20,160	42,500	0	0	62,660
Direction 4	0	0	0	0	00
Technical Assistance	187,193	75,000	150,000	50,000	462,193
Attendance at CPM	0	0	100,000	150,000	250,000
FAO Plant Protection Officers	399,000	0	0	0	399,000
Direction 5	0	0	0	0	0
Administration	217,035	170,000	0	0	387,035
СРМ	0	240,000	0	0	240,000
Direction 6	0	0	0	0	0
International liaison	78,426	49,000	0	0	127,426
	0	0	0	00	0
Total	1,411,000	1,337,561	350,000	500,000	3,598,561
**Variance					-155,061

* Regular Programme staff costs are calculated on the % time spent in each Direction. The contribution (IPPC Regular Programme) to the FAO Plant Protection Officers is listed under Direction 4.

** Variance: Total resources (US\$ 3,443,500) minus total costs (US\$ 3,598,561).

Strategic Direction 1: The development, adoption and monitoring of the implementation of international standards for phytosanitary measures

Overview

1. The number of standards under development continues to grow as a result of the adoption at ICPM-6 (2004) of the *Improvement in the current standard setting process*. The Standards Committee (SC) and 5 Technical Panels (TP) require on going administrative and organizational support by the Secretariat. In addition expert working groups are called as resources become available.

2. The following is a summary of topics currently on the IPPC Standard setting work programme:

- 5 Technical panels
- 31 topics for standards
- 3 subject areas for treatments
- 14 phytosanitary treatments
- 31 diagnostic protocols.

3. The expectations of the CPM members for increased transparency, a more open and consultative processes and the need to keep more detailed and accurate records also continues to grow. The existing resources are no longer able to meet members' demands in a satisfactory manner.

4. The operational plan for Strategic Direction 1 for 2007 is based on two SC meetings (in requested languages), one Standards Committee Working Group (SC-7), five TP meetings and one expert working group (EWG). Support on information on standards will be provided for the regional workshops on draft ISPMs. It is anticipated that several technical standards will be submitted for member consultation using the fast track process. Work on explanatory documents will be minimal.

Standards Committee

5. The SC will meet twice in 2007, once in May and again in November. It was originally planned to only meet in November 2007 due to the lack of funds but FAO allocated additional funds to the IPPC Secretariat in December 2006 and the SC May 2007 meeting was reconvened.

6. The SC May 2007 meeting will review draft ISPMs developed by expert drafting groups and technical panels. It is anticipated that they will review seven draft ISPMs and amendments to the glossary. Draft ISPMs approved by the SC will be sent for member consultation in late June 2007. In addition several other items will be placed on their agenda including a full report from each technical panel, review of specifications, improvements to the standard setting process and any other assigned tasks coming from the CPM.

7. The SC-7 will meet in November, prior to the SC meeting, to consider member comments and review stewards' revisions of draft standards in response to member comments. Revised draft ISPMs will be submitted for review by the SC.

8. The SC November 2007 meeting will review the work of the SC-7 and determine which draft ISPMs require additional work and which are ready to be recommended for adoption by the CPM. This meeting will focus on member comments but additional agenda items will be addressed as needed.

Technical panels

9. Meetings have been planned for all the five Technical Panels.

TP diagnostic protocols (TPDP)

10. The TPDP is working on diagnostic protocols for specific pests. Several of the protocols are in an advanced stage of development and may be submitted for member consultation during 2007 using the fast track process.

TP forest quarantine (TPFQ)

11. The TPFQ is working on the revision of ISPM No.15 (*Guidelines for regulating wood packaging material in international trade*). Further information is needed for the revision and the SC have agreed to conduct a "bark survey" on ISPM No.15 treated wood packaging material which will be done in the first half of 2007.

TP fruit flies (TPFF)

12. The TPFF continues to work on a draft ISPM related to fruit flies. It currently has five topics for technical standards on its work programme, with one draft ISPM being submitted to the CPM-2 (2007) and the text for another in the advance stages of development.

TP phytosanitary treatments (TPPT)

13. The TPPT will continue reviewing submissions of treatments received in 2006, in particular treatments for fruit flies and wood packaging material (Annex 1 of ISPM No. 5: *Glossary of Phytosanitary Terms*). Additional irradiation treatments that were lacking some information will also be reassessed. The TPPT anticipates having additional treatment submissions to review as a result of the 2007 call for topics for the IPPC standard setting work programme. They may also have to review members' comments on irradiation treatments as a result of the anticipated 14 treatments that will be submitted for member consultation using the fast track process.

TP glossary (TPG)

14. In its regular meeting, the TPG will review member comments on terms and definitions used in draft ISPMs and continue to review the usage of terms and definitions in standards, and propose amendments as appropriate. The review of adopted ISPMs has also been allocated to the TPG, but this is currently on hold as no funds are available to hire a consultant to carry out the preliminary work (3 months) and to convene the necessary extra meeting of the TPG.

Expert working groups

15. Due to financial restrictions, it is envisaged to hold only one expert working group (EWG) meetings in 2007. This will be on plants for planting (second meeting). If additional funds become available, the Secretariat will call an additional EWG in 2007 for the revision of ISPMs No. 7 and No. 12 in relation to transit and re-export.

Member consultation

16. The Secretariat, in addition to the regular member consultation between 20 June and the end of September, anticipates that several technical standards will go for member consultation using the fast-track process.

Regional workshops to review draft ISPMs

17. Presentations will be prepared and posted on the IPP (www.ippc.int) for each draft standard that will be reviewed at regional workshops on the review of draft ISPMs. In addition, SC members and in some cases Secretariat staff will attend and present at these regional workshops. The FAO Plant Protection Officers based in various regional and sub-regional offices will take the lead role in organizing these workshops in 2007.

Strategic Direction No. 2: Information Exchange Operational Plan

- 1. The 2007 IPPC Information Exchange operational plan was made available to the IPP Support Group and the Informal Working Group on Strategic Planning and Technical Assistance (SPTA) in 2006 for their comments and modifications were made as appropriate.
- 2. The programme has been adjusted to reflect the anticipated changes to the IPPC Business Plan and Strategic Plan (e.g. the revised 5-year goals).
- 3. Implementation of the 2007 operational plan will be dependent on the availability of personnel and financial resources.

GOALS		TIMING	PRIORITY	RESPONSIBILITY	OUTPUT(S)	DEADLINE	ACTIVITIES / Comments	FUNDING
2.1 Impl	ementation of information	n exchange as r	equired under	the IPPC				
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	ist NPPOs with the use of ten by the Secretariat and		gh capacity bui	lding activities	NPPOs are able to fulfil the	ir reporting obli	gations using the IPP	
	2.1.1.1 Promote exchange of information, especially through the use of electronic communication/internet	Ongoing	Medium	Nowell / Jones, IPP SG, RPPOs	Discuss at all PCE meetings facilitation, ongoing TCPs and IPP Training workshop events	Ongoing	Still needs practical implementation in PCE meetings	Limited
		Ongoing	High	Jones / Nowell	FAO-Technical Cooperation Projects (TCP) developed and implemented	Ongoing	Depending on governmental requests to FAO for Technical Assistance	FAO TC
		Ongoing	Medium	Jones / Nowell	Add to phytosanitary TCPs	Ongoing	e.g. TCP/Yemen, but needs to be addressed in ALL new projects where appropriate	FAO TC
		Ongoing	Medium	Nowell / Ivess, RPPOs	Report at RPPO meetings, including TC	Annual		2 meetings only
		Annual	High	Nowell, IPP SG, RPPOs	Report to CPM	Annual	 Progress report & Work programme Revised ICPM-3 Appendix XV with interpretations on information exchange for re- adoption at CPM Submit discussion paper in Annex 1 of ICPM 2005/25 (after consideration by Secretariat and Bureau) to first meeting of the CPM for its consideration 	Yes

Work Plan for Goal 2: Information exchange systems appropriate to meet IPPC obligations

GOALS	TIMING	PRIORITY	RESPONSIBILITY	OUTPUT(S)	DEADLINE	ACTIVITIES / Comments	FUNDING
	Ongoing	High	Nowell	Functional IPP	Ongoing	Continuously getting feedback from NPPOs, RPPOs & Secretariat.	Yes, little more than maintenance
	September 2007	Medium	Nowell; IPP SG meeting	Outline development plan for IPP for 2007	Dec 2007	IPP SG to review and advise on requirements for any IPP modifications	Yes, limited human resources
	Ongoing	High	Nowell; programming team	System modifications based on user feedback in regional IPP training workshops (point 2.1.3.2) and IPP SG	Ongoing	IPP SG to review results of regional IPP workshops and test of procedures and draw up requirements for any IPP modifications. Based on testing of up-dated version of IPP at workshops	Essentially only for maintenance of existing functionality; limited new developments
	Monthly	High	Nowell; programming team	Implement monthly developed and prioritised IPP 'milestones'	Ongoing		Yes
	Ongoing	Medium	Nowell; programming team; translator	Navigation in Arabic and Chinese	April 2007	Work to proceed as resources become available; assume 1 person months programming plus US\$ 15,000 translation costs	Yes
	Ongoing	High	Nowell / Larson / Johnston; programming team	Develop a Secretariat work flow management component to the IPP	April 2007	To reduce duplication of effort, allow generation of simple reports e.g. on standard setting, and improve consistency & accuracy of data. Delayed due to maintenance priority and limited resources.	Limited
	2007	High	Nowell	Working group to determine phytosanitary meta-data standards to facilitate the electronic exchange of official phytosanitary data.	June 2007	This was placed on the ICPM SD 2 work programme in 2005 and has <u>not been completed due</u> <u>to limited resources</u> . It is a major obstacle to facilitate the electronic exchange of phytosanitary information with the IPP.	Yes

GOALS	TIMING	PRIORITY	RESPONSIBILITY	OUTPUT(S)	DEADLINE	ACTIVITIES / Comments	FUNDING
	Ongoing	High	Nowell; NPPOs & RPPOs	All IPPC member countries have nominated responsible persons to update official NPPO information in the IPP	Ongoing	Nomination of responsible person/s to update country information in the IPP in order to meet their national phytosanitary information exchange obligations under the IPPC (prerequisite for participation in sub/regional IPP training workshops)	
	<u>Near East</u> 3rd quarter 2007 <u>NAPPO</u> members (2007) <u>Yemen</u> (TCP): Jan. 2007 <u>Spanish</u> countries: 2007	High	Nowell; NPPOs & RPPOs; Fast Track TCPs (if possible)	Additional 30 trained national users able to enter country data to IPP to meet reporting obligations	2007	Sub/Regional Workshops: • Near East • NAPPO members National Workshops for: • Yemen (TCP) Refer to 2.1.1	Yes (2006) Travel only to NA required Through TCP No (parag.18)
	English countries: 2007						Yes (parag. 18)
	2nd half of 2007			5 regional assessment workshops on the implementation of the IPP			1 only (parag. 18 and 19)

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	Ongoing	High	Nowell; RPPOs; FAORep.	Editorial guidelines, other IPP help manuals related to data entry in the IPP and an update of the IPP CD-ROM made available to all workshop participants in all FAO languages	Prior to each IPP-training workshop	Relevant documents and general workshop handouts in the corresponding workshop language will be prepared and distributed to all participants prior to the training event CD-ROM updates are produced for each workshop event	Limited - no money for Arabic or Chinese
	ad hoc	Medium	Nowell; RPPO information officers; FAO Rep.	Trained RPPO staff able to enter relevant information in the IPP, and able to assist and train national staff of NPPOs	ad hoc	19 th TC in NAPPO region	
	2007	High	Nowell	Improved use of the IPP and more countries meeting their IPPC reporting obligatiosn	Ongoing	Follow up to training workshops and essential ensure the information exchange / reporting momentum is not lost.	Limited
	Ongoing	High	CPM; Nowell	Letter to NPPOs on meeting IPPC reporting obligations (including contact point) using the IPP	Regularly	Continued assistance will be provided to NPPO-IPP-editors in fulfilling reporting obligations using the IPP	Limited
	Ongoing	High	NPPOs	Data entered and maintained in IPP in support of reporting obligations	Ongoing	Continued assistance provided to NPPO-IPP-editors in fulfilling reporting obligations using the IPP - IPP Webmaster	None - will have to be covered by existing staff
	2007	High	Nowell / Jones	Ability for countries to undertake a self assessment of their information exchange capacity.	September 2007	Develop an information exchange component to the PCE for national assessment	Limited

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	etariat to fulfil reporting fficiently in all FAO lang		l communicate	administrative	Pertinent information is ma	de available to c	contracting parties in a timely mann	er
		Ongoing	Medium	IPP, Nowell	Report as per provisions in the IPPC	Ongoing	Undertaken as defined by the CPM and through the extensive use of the IPP.	Meet basics only.
2.2 IPP s	upported by an effective	development an	d maintenance	e programme				
2.2.1 Deve	elop and document proce	dures for the on	ngoing use of th	ne IPP	Procedures in place			
		April 2007	Medium	Nowell	Clearly documented working practices for information exchange activities of the Secretariat	March 2006	Includes posting publications, documents, calendar items, news items, general information (web page), individual and official contact information, links to web sites and management of work groups, email lists and restricted work areas under the IPPC section of the IPP	Yes, limited human resources
		July 2007	High	Nowell; NPPO contacts (during training); IPP SG	Agreed version 1.0 of procedures for information exchange to meet country obligations under IPPC	March 2007	Secretariat to draft, test with countries and confirm version 1.0 of procedures with IPP SG and Bureau, and report to CPM- 1	Yes, limited human resources
		July 2007	Medium	Nowell	Modified procedures based on experience in the use of version 1.0	mid 2006	Secretariat to modify and present to CPM-1 based on experience during 2005-7 workshop programme	Yes, limited human resources
		Annual	high	Nowell	IPP SG meeting to review 2006/7 and discuss work plan for 2008.	September 2007	Needs improvement in geographical representation and more expertise. Secretariat to target national IPP users with appropriate expertise and background.	Yes

GOALS		TIMING	PRIORITY	RESPONSIBILITY	OUTPUT(S)	DEADLINE	ACTIVITIES / Comments	FUNDING
2.2.2 Esta	blish staff to maintain an	d develop the II	PP		Staff able to support the ongoing development and maintenance of the programme			
		Ongoing	High	Nowell / Ivess	One IPP Webmaster in place and trained on any IPP data quality issues; - able to respond to any related inquiries, -able to provide online assistance to NPPOs	Jan. 2007	IPP SG considered that it is essential to designate a Webmaster for the IPP to take overall editorial responsibility for management of users, presentation and data quality (according to common editorial guidelines; point 2.1.3.3). APO available but only for 2 years.	Yes, essential (APO, see parag. 18)
		Ongoing	Medium	Nowell	4 trained secretariat staff including 2 clerks in the use of mailing lists, restricted work areas, merged data files, and address labels	Ongoing	Data entered on IPP to manage contact information on various groups	Yes, limited human resources
		Ongoing	High	IPP SG, Nowell; programming team	Report to CPM	Dec. 2007	Develop measures of system availability; system use to track log-in activity, quality of data in compliance with IPPC (NPPO contact details, and other obligations), and prepare report for CPM 2; plus web statistics for non logged-in use; user survey on usability, etc. Needs an IPP Webmaster to do part of this!	Very limited and will be initiated by IPP webmaster

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1.2 Standard implementation	Ongoing	High	Nowell; Larson; SC; programming team	Increase efficiency of standard development and adoption		Utilization of the IPP	From Goal 1, if required
3.2 Support for the IPPC dispute settlement system	Ongoing	High	Nowell; programming team	Implementation of the IPPC dispute settlement system		Utilization of the IPP and "Capacity Building" toolbox	From Goal 3
4.1 Methods and tools in place that enable contracting parties to evaluate and improve their own phytosanitary capacity and evaluate requirements for technical assistance.	Ongoing	High	Nowell; Jones; IWG- PCE; programming team	Updating, maintaining and distributing the PCE tool		Development of a PCE web- based system	From Goal 4
	Ongoing	Medium	Nowell; Jones; IWG- PCE; programming team	Use of the PCE and other inter-active learning tools for strategic planning and project development	2007	Utilization of the IPP, PCE and "Capacity Building" toolbox	None in Goal 2
4.2 The work programme of the IPPC is supported by technical cooperation	Ongoing	High	Nowell; IPP SG; programming team	Develop "capacity building toolbox" related to the IPP	Ongoing - prototype by June 2007	IPP SG will provide advice and guidance on what should be done. This work will only be undertaken as resources become available and in a way that does NOT impact the existing IPP work programme.	Develop as resources become available
	Ongoing	High	Nowell; Jones; Secretariat	Members participate in IPPC activities	Ongoing	Utilization of the IPP and "Capacity Building" toolbox	Limited
4.3 Contracting parties are able to obtain technical assistance from donors	Ongoing	High	Nowell; Jones; IWG- PCE; programming team	Make contracting parties aware of possible donors and their criteria for assistance	2007	Make relevant information available through the IPP and "Capacity Building" toolbox	Limited

IPPC Information Management System Related to Overall Goals

GOALS	TIMING	PRIORITY	RESPONSIBILITY	OUTPUT(S)	DEADLINE	ACTIVITIES / Comments	FUNDING
5.1 The IPPC is supported by an effective and sustainable infrastructure	Ongoing	High	Nowell; Secretariat	Management structure that enables the efficient implementation of the CPM programme	Ongoing	Utilization of the IPP and "Capacity Building" toolbox	Limited within existing budget
	Ongoing	High	Secretariat, CPM	Transparency and accountability resulting in more effective use of scarce resources	Ongoing	Utilization of the IPP	Adequate
5.3 IPPC programmes have a strong scientific base	Ongoing	High	Nowell; IPP SG; programming team	Form strong links with appropriate research and education institutions	2007 first phase	Utilization of the IPP and "Capacity Building" toolbox	Subject to additional resources
6.1 The IPPC has global recognition as the treaty with the required infrastructure and funding base to enable effective implementation.	Ongoing	High	Secretariat, CPM	A promotion (marketing) plan identifying the means to communicate the benefits and ongoing requirement for the treaty to identified target audiences is implemented	Ongoing	Utilization of the IPP as one medium for promotion	Very limited
6.3 Efficient and effective communication between the RPPOs and the IPPC Secretariat	Ongoing	High	Secretariat, RPPOs	RPPOs fully aware of the Secretariat activities and able to assist through the IPP where appropriate and required	Ongoing	Utilization of the IPP as one medium for promotion	No additional resources needed

Strategic Direction 4: Technical assistance

1 In Article XX of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) the contracting parties agree "to promote the provision of technical assistance to contracting parties... either bilaterally or through the appropriate international organisations, with the objective of facilitating the implementation of this Convention."

2 The IPPC Secretariat's interventions are designed to build capacity for implementation of the international standards and the IPPC. This report summarises the status of capacity building activities for the year 2006-2007 for projects under the Technical Cooperation Programme.

Project	Beneficiary countries	Status	Termination	Notes
TCP/ZAM/2904	Zambia	*completed	2005	*Terminal Statement still to be finalized
TCP/UGA/2907 General capacity building	Uganda	*completed	2005	*Terminal Statement to be finalized
TCP/RAF/2923 containment of Bactrocera invadens	(Kenya, Tanzania., Uganda)	operational	Dec 2006	comprehensive management project proposal developed for donors consideration and funding
TCP/SYR/3001 General capacity building	Syria	operational	2006	final activities to be concluded by December 2006
TCP/YEM/3005 General capacity building	Yemen	operational	2006	project extended to include surveillance activities
TCP/RAB/3004 General capacity building and information management system	GCC - 6 countries	operational	2006	Final activities to be concluded by December
TCP/RAS/3002 PRA for SALB	APPPC (7 countries)	*completed	2005	*Terminal statement to be finalized
TCP/NEP/2903	Nepal	*completed	2005	*Terminal statement to be finalized
TCP/SWA/3003 general capacity building	(Swaziland)	operational	2006	final mission proposed for November
TCP/RAF/3013 (A) information exchange	Regional Africa (52 countries)	operational	2006	Two regional workshops completed national activities ongoing
TCP/GAM/ General capacity building	Gambia	operational	2007	First joint mission scheduled for October 2006
TCP/MOZ/3101	Mozambique	operational	2007	One mission completed, second joint mission in October 2006
TCP/ETH/	Ethiopia	reformulated for approval		

1. TCP projects

2. Unilateral Trust Fund and other projects

UTF/Bahrain (US\$ 3.5 million) and UTF/Saudi Arabia (US\$ 4.6 million): These projects have been formulated, discussed and now being considered by Governments for their approval for implementation by FAO.

SPFS/CARIFORUM: This project is operational. A phytosanitary expert is now conducting a comprehensive phytosanitary capacity evaluation using the PCE tool in countries of the Caribbean Forum (CARIFORUM).

PSFS–UMA (Mahgreb countries) (US\$ 1.2 million): project approved, funding confirmed and operational.

GCP/Asia: (US\$ 0.89 million): Project to be funded by Japan for selected countries of Asia. This is a capacity-building project and will be managed by headquarters.