

## **PROGRAMME FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE “IPPC IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW AND SUPPORT SYSTEM”**

### **Components to be developed**

The “IPPC Implementation Review and Support System” has two major components: the *Implementation review system (IRS)* and the *Implementation support system (ISS)*. These are both used along with other information from the International Phytosanitary Portal (IPP - <https://www.ippc.int>), the Technical Consultation among RPPOs (TC-RPPOs), the report on the use of the Phytosanitary Capacity Evaluation (PCE) tool and reports from other relevant organizations, to produce the Implementation review response.

The *Implementation review response (IRR)* summarizes the situation of the implementation of the IPPC and its standards by contracting parties. From this summary, action plans are developed, for input into the proposed work programme for consideration by the CPM. The recommended action plans will be a key input into the strategic and technical assistance planning of the CPM.

The various parts of the components are listed below, and are presented in Table 1 with approximate dates for action.

### **Implementation review system**

First element: IPPC Secretariat monitors the fulfilment of the reporting requirements of contracting parties through the IPP. This involves:

- IPPC Secretariat informs contracting parties again of their reporting requirements
- Contracting parties respond by submitting reporting requirements if not already done
- IPPC Secretariat reporting on contracting parties' difficulties with the reports annually requirements, by publishing on the IPP a list of contracting parties facing such difficulties. An annual summary report would also be presented to the CPM.

Second element: triennial review to evaluate the implementation of other obligations (non-reporting) contained in the IPPC. This involves:

- development of a questionnaire by the Secretariat to gather information from contracting parties regarding implementation of IPPC obligations, in particular in relation to Articles IV, V, VII, and VIII<sup>1</sup>.
- review of this questionnaire by the Bureau and other experts
- distribution of the pilot questionnaire to a limited number of contracting parties representing the seven FAO regions, to evaluate and improve it
- review of the questionnaire by the Bureau and other experts for possible improvement
- distribution of the questionnaire to contracting parties for completion
- collation and analysis of the data
- establishment of a triennial review group
- analysis of questionnaire replies by a meeting of the triennial review group. This would include suggestions for improvement of the questionnaire prior to its next use
- submission of the report of the triennial review to the Bureau for the purpose of ISS. Note the Bureau also uses the triennial review as part of the Implementation review response
- submission of the report of the triennial review to SPTA
- submission of the report of the triennial review to CPM.

### **Implementation support system**

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<sup>1</sup> This mechanism could also deal with significant elements involved in undertaking the global review of status of plant protection in the world as per IPPC.

IPPC Secretariat to establish an IPPC Help Desk. This would involve the appointment of a Standards Implementation Officer to the IPPC Secretariat. This officer would coordinate the implementation activities of the Secretariat's activities so as to:

- help with finding assistance for those contracting parties requesting help with the implementation of ISPMs
- provide advice relating to the implementation of ISPMs
- monitor, identify and report implementation difficulties
- ensure that contracting parties requesting assistance are put in contact with potential donors
- provide a summary report of IPPC Help Desk activities to the CPM.

This officer would use the services, as appropriate, of the IPPC Secretariat, the CPM Bureau, the CPM subsidiary bodies, the FAO legal office and other units in discharging these functions

### **Implementation review response**

The Bureau will develop an Implementation review response every three years. This will be based on:

- the report of the triennial review
- a summary report of the IPPC Help Desk activities
- a report on implementation difficulties from the Technical Consultation among RPPOs
- a summary report on implementation trends from the PCE
- the annual Secretariat IPP reports on the fulfilment of contracting reporting requirements
- reports from other relevant international organizations.

The implementation review response (which will be in the form of a report) will include appropriate action plans. On the basis of this response, recommendations for future activities to enhance implementation of the IPPC and ISPMs could be developed for incorporation into the CPM work programme, and these should be a key input for the IPPC strategic and technical assistance planning. In addition, this response could address a number of recommendations of the report of the Independent Evaluation of the IPPC, specifically the review of the state of plant protection in the world and the development of procedures to monitor the implementation of standards.

The response will be considered by the SPTA then the CPM.

As noted earlier this response will provide recommendations for future activities to enhance the implementation of the IPPC and ISPMs for incorporation into the operational work programme of the CPM.

**Table 1: A three year work plan with proposed milestones and dates**

Proposed dates	Actions	Component
<b>Year 1</b>		
April	IPPC Secretariat annual report to the CPM on: contracting parties' difficulties with reporting requirements based on reporting through the IPP; and the IPPC Help Desk activities.	Implementation Review System (first element)
May	IPPC Secretariat informing contracting parties again of their reporting requirements (first time in 2008)	IRS (first element)
June	Appointment of the Standards Implementation Officer	Implementation Support System (ISS)
August	Development of a questionnaire by the Secretariat to gather information from contracting parties regarding implementation of other (non-reporting) IPPC obligations, in particular in relation to Articles IV, V, VII, and VIII	IRS (second element)
September	Review of the questionnaire by the Bureau and other experts	IRS (second element)
September	Initiation of IPPC Help Desk	ISS
October	Distribution of pilot questionnaire	IRS (second element)
November	Review of the questionnaire by the Bureau and other experts	IRS (second element)
December	Evaluation (plus comments) by limited number of contracting parties followed by second review by the Bureau and other experts	IRS (second element)
<b>Year 2</b>		
March	Distribution of questionnaire to contracting parties	IRS (second element)
March	Collation and analysis of data for the IPPC Secretariat report.	IRS (first element)
April	IPPC Secretariat annual report to the CPM on: contracting parties' difficulties with reporting requirements based on reporting through the IPP; and the IPPC Help Desk activities.	IRS (first element)
April	Establishment of a triennial review group	IRS (second element)
May	Analysis of questionnaire replies and suggestions for improvement of the questionnaire by a meeting of the triennial review group	IRS (second element)
June	Reports on implementation by the TC-RPPOs and other relevant international organizations	Implementation Review Response (IRR)
Reports received by Secretariat June	Report prepared	IRR
Prepared by CPM Bureau July-August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• based on the following elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the report of the triennial review</li> <li>- a summary report of the IPPC Help Desk</li> <li>- a report on implementation difficulties from the TC-RPPOs</li> <li>- a summary report on implementation trends from the PCE</li> <li>- reports from other relevant international organizations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• and containing action plans.</li> </ul>	
October	Review by the SPTA	IRR and IRS
November	Prepare paper (IRR response) for the CPM	IRR

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<b>Year 3</b>		
March	Collation and analysis of data for the IPPC Secretariat report.	IRS (first element)
April	Present report of the triennial review (first time at CPM-5 in 2010)	IRS (second element)
April	IPPC Secretariat annual report to the CPM on: contracting parties' difficulties with reporting requirements based on reporting through the IPP; and the IPPC Help Desk activities.	IRS (first element)
April	Report of the IRR considered by CPM	IRR