



The European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organisation

a brief introduction

Event: Webinar for users of EPPO Codes

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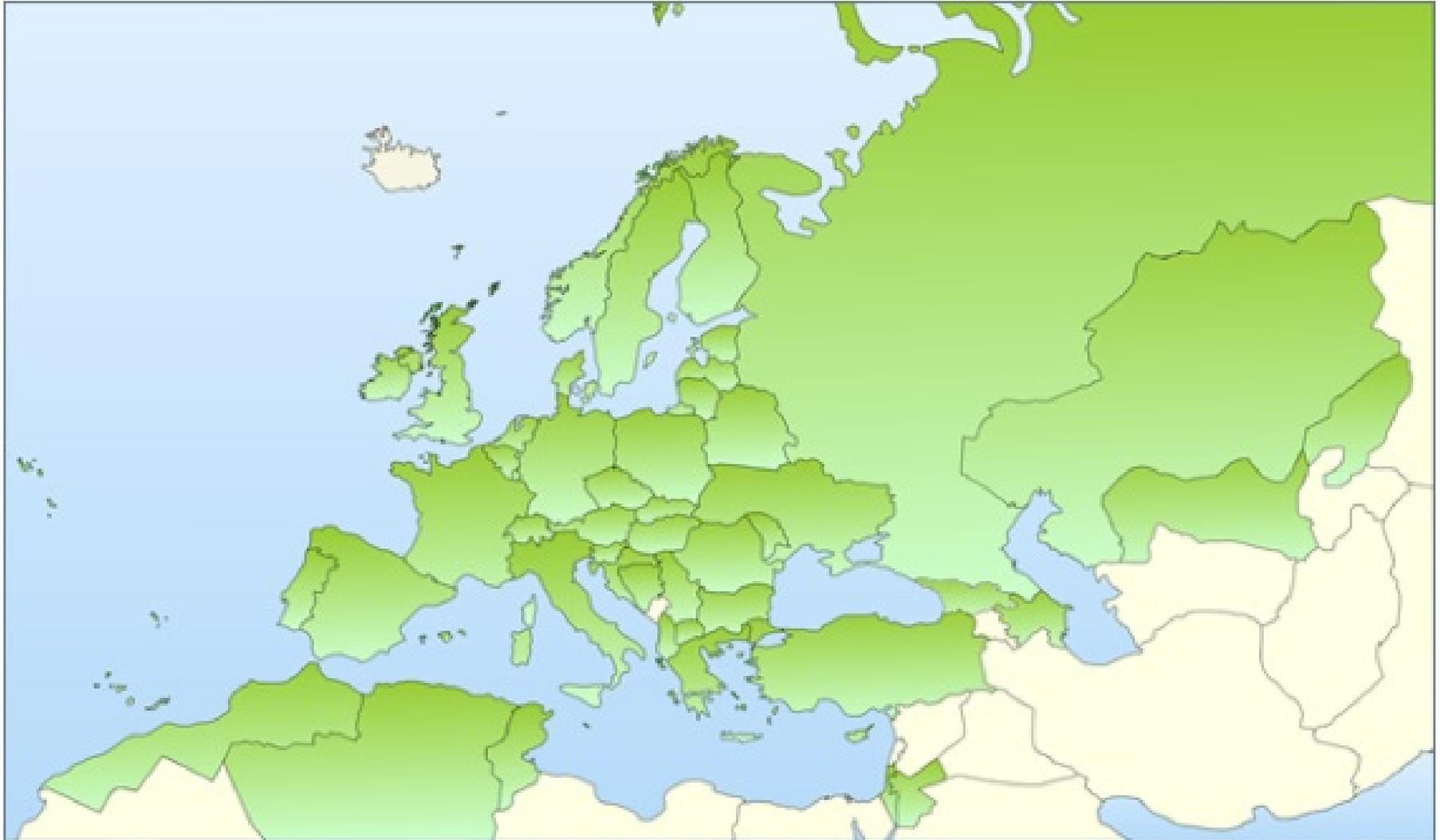
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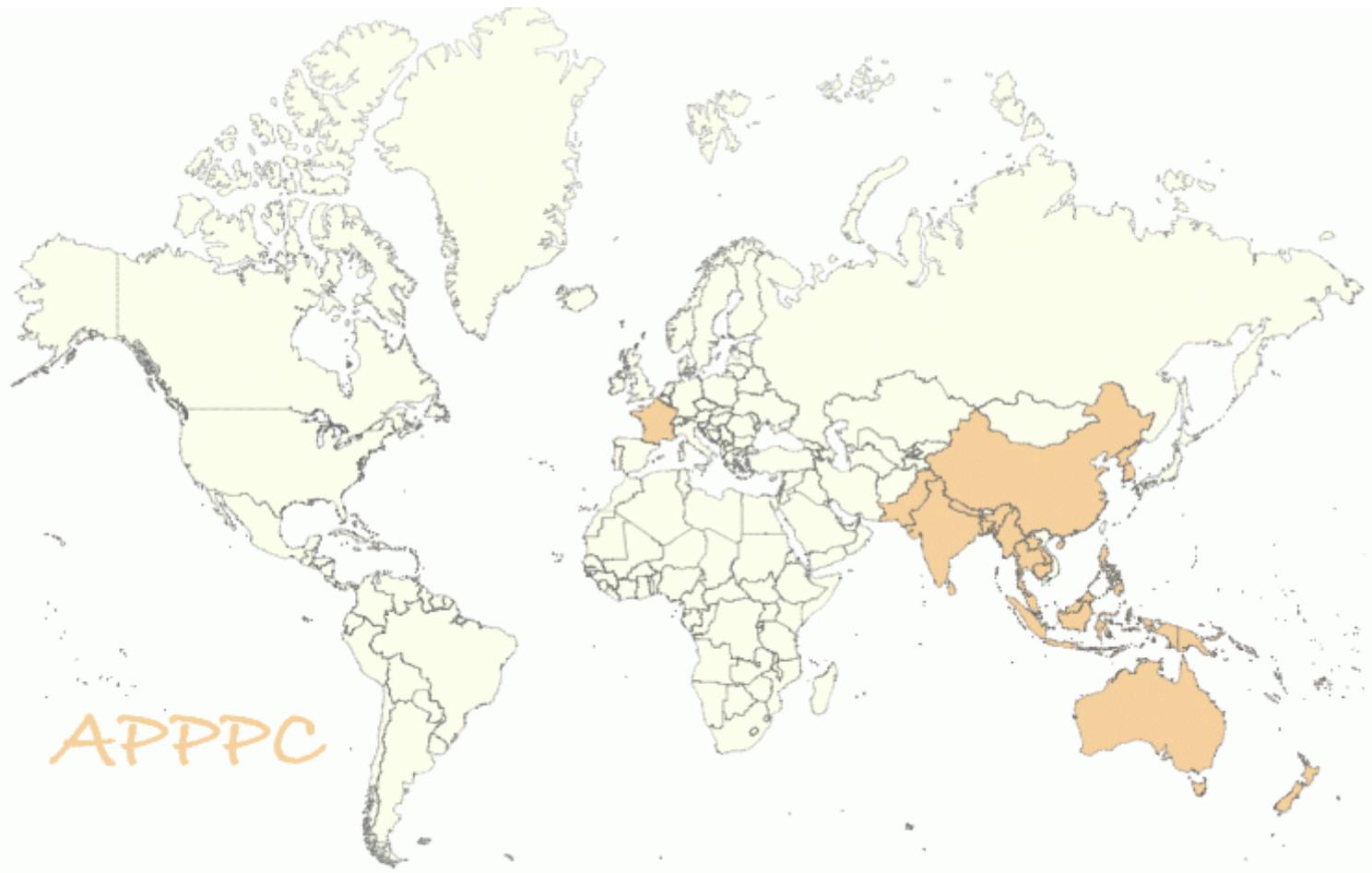


1951 EPPPO Convention – 15 countries

Now 51 member countries

One of 9 RPPOs recognised under IPPC





APDPC

Aims (Convention, Article 1)

- a. to support the Member Governments in their aim of assuring plant health, while preserving human and animal health and the environment
- b. to pursue and develop, by cooperation between the Member Governments, the protection of plants and plant products against pests and the prevention of their international spread and especially their introduction into endangered areas
- c. to develop internationally harmonized phytosanitary and other official plant protection measures and, as appropriate, to elaborate standards to that effect
- d. to present the collective views of the Member Governments, as appropriate, to FAO, WTO, other regional plant protection organizations and any other bodies with related responsibilities.



Remit

- Plant quarantine
- Efficacy of plant protection products
- Invasive alien plants
- Biological control agents
- Plant certification and Regulated Non Quarantine Pests

by:

- Drafting and adoption of regional technical standards
- Input to development of international standards
- Sharing information and expertise through networks

EPPO hosts Euphresco and the EU Minor Uses Co-ordination Facility which have their own funding and governance

Organisation

EPPO Secretariat (18 staff)



Active Panels

Plant Protection Products

- General Standards
- Herbicides
- Insecticides and Fungicides
- Resistance
- Harmonisation of Data Requirements

Phytosanitary Regulations

- Global Affairs
- Risks and Measures
- Forestry
- Potatoes
- Inspection Procedures
- Information
- Diagnostics (General) +
 - Entomology
 - Nematodes
 - Bacteria
 - Fungi
 - Virology
- Invasive Alien Plants
- Biological Control Agents

EPPO Standards and Recommendations

- Developed by experts or secretariat
- Discussed in Expert Panels
- Subject to country consultation
- Considered by the Working Party
- Adopted by EPPO Council
- Under the EPPO Convention member countries "endeavour to implement the recommendations ..., including in particular the regional standards."
- Priorities for further development are approved through the annual Work Programme

Pest Risk Analysis

- EPPO Standards on how to conduct Pest Risk Analysis
- 5 PRAs per year carried out by Expert Working Groups
- Recent work on analysing risks from pathways
 - Plants for planting
 - Tomato fruit
 - Wood chips and wood waste
- Recommendations to member countries on which plant pests to regulate - the EPPO A1 and A2 lists

PM1 Standard: pests recommended for regulation

e.g. 2016 addition - *Lycorma delicatula*

- *Ailanthus altissima* is favoured host
- May also damage vines and other important crop plants
- Weeping wounds, leaving a trail of sap on the trunk
- Some mortality reported
- Nymphs and adults aggregate
- Eggs laid on wood, stone, vehicles etc.
- Many pathways, hard to control



Some other EPPO Standards

- PM3 Phytosanitary Procedures
- PM5 Pest Risk Analysis methodology
- PM6 Guidance on biological control agents
- PM7 Diagnostic protocols
- PM9 Standards on National Regulatory Controls
- PP1 Standards on efficacy of plant protection products



EPPO 2017 Work Programme - EPPO Codes

● Actions

- Revised and agreed ToR for the Panel on Harmonization of Data to reflect a three year remit for governance of non-taxonomic Codes (including for uses of PPP)
- All Codes users to be invited to participate in a webinar associated with the 2017 meeting of that Panel
- Continue dialogue with European Commission on use of codes for EU PPP databases and possible resourcing of enhancement
- Quantify the task of adding EPPO Codes to meet the needs of e-Phyto and seek co-funding for this development

● Success measures

- Users content with governance arrangements
- Non-taxonomic codes agreed by Working Party and available
- Sustainable funding for additions and maintenance
- Robustness of procedure for adding EPPO Codes

Thank you

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