

EPPO Codes in SANTE Systems

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SANTE systems using EPPO codes

- PPPAMS (Plant Protection Products Application Management System)
- Reporting suite for the Impact Assessment for endocrine disruptors
- TRACES (TRAde Control and Expert System)
- TNT (TRACES New Technology)
- EUROPHYT Interceptions outbreaks
- Plant Health Surveys Programme (Eradication Funds)





What is the PPP Application Management System (PPPAMS)?

- An EU level tracking and workflow management tool used to complement national IT systems to track applications made by applicants and processed by National Competent Authorities (NCA) to authorise PPPs.
- EU 28 + Norway
- NCA's still receive and process applications outside of the system but must also complete and track the application within PPPAMS.
- Two parts: 1. Administrative site 2. Public database
- Key objective is to facilitate information sharing and harmonisation of authorisations





Ongoing work

- Existing authorisation data
 - Data collection exercise: Currently working with NCAs to collect existing authorisation data in a structured way that will be fed into PPPAMS
 - DG SANTE processed MS data and assigned EPPO codes which MS are now validating
 - Authorisations will be publically available through the public database
- Implementing Regulation to use the system
 - Planned for late 2017. Make it obligatory to enter all applications in PPPAMS - there will be no further need to collect data manually.





EPPO codes in PPPAMS (1)

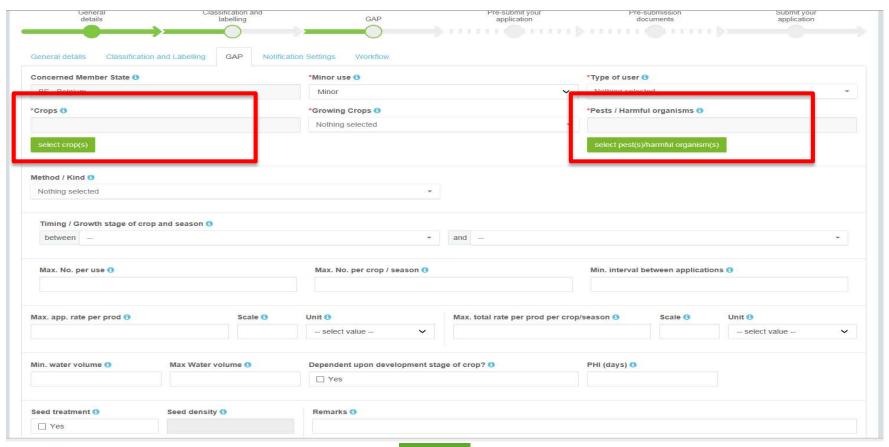
Describe the use of the PPP

- EPPO codes are used to help describe the use/uses of the PPP within the GAP table and on any resulting authorisation.
- The applicants are obliged to record the Crops/Situation and Pest/Target/Purpose (can be non-pest).





Importance of EPPO Codes in PPPAMS

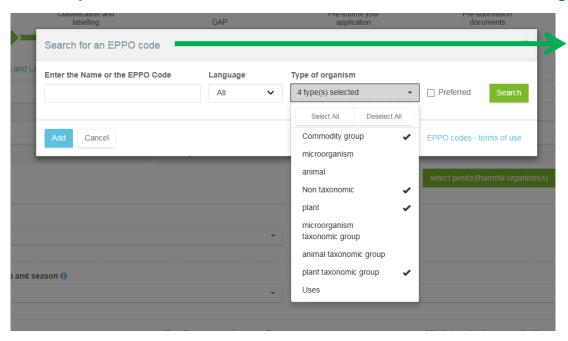


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GAP Tab

→ Crop and Pest selection is mandatory

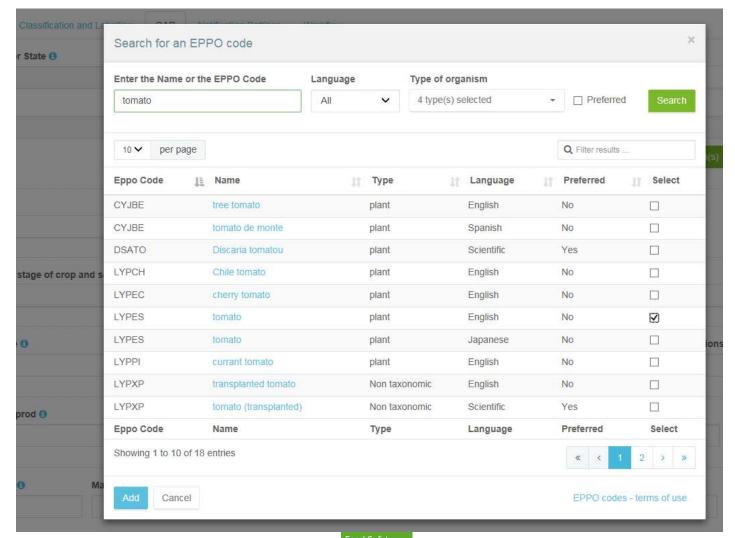


Direct link to the EPPO Global database

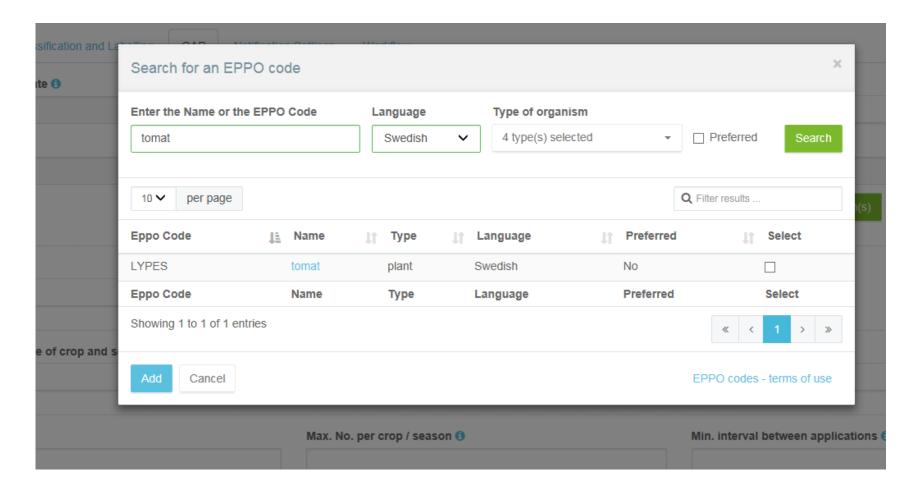
→ Need to select the correct EPPO Code for the crop (or situation if non-crop use) and the pest/target













EPPO codes in PPPAMS (2)

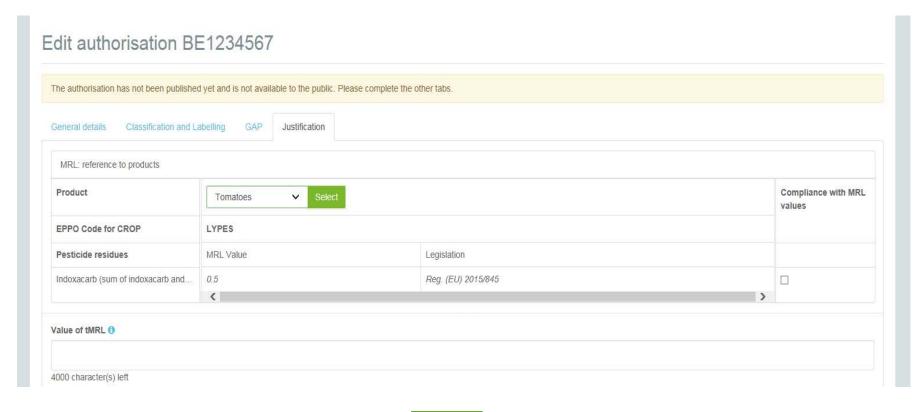
For Emergency authorisations.

- try to build the link between the EPPO crop codes and the EU Pesticides database productcommodity codes.
- to ensure the applicant confirms that a Maximum Residue Level (MRL) is in place for the uses being applied for.





Link between EPPO Codes and MRL products (emergency authorisations)





4. Other SANTE Systems and the use of EPPO codes



TRACES and TNT (TRACES New Technology)

- TRACES is the European Commission's multilingual online management tool for all sanitary requirements on intra-EU trade and imports of animals, semen and embryo, food, feed and plants.
- EPPO codes used for the ePhyto certificates needed for plants and plant products imported in EU from third counties
- TNT is dedicated to the certification of organic products





EPPO codes in EUROPHYT

- helps to protect EU territory from the introduction and spread of new pests and plant diseases
- web-based network and database
- plant health interception notifications system
- Uses EPPO codes for both plants and pests

Updates to the EPPO GD are imported on a daily basis to a SANTE repository that forms the basis for all systems using EPPO codes





Need for additional codes

The ePhyto necessitates that new taxonomic EPPO codes for species are needed by the 1000s

Examples:

- Indonesia timber exports need ~3000 new codes
- NL has recently requested ~4000 codes
- More are to follow as ePhyto usage expands





Problems/needs identified in relation to use of EPPO Codes

- For PPPAMS: codes to describe all types of uses
 - Mainly non-taxonomic
 - Specific PPP needs, e.g.
 - grapes wine/table,
 - peas (with/without pods),
 - Plant Growth Regulators
- Lack of experience using EPPO Codes
- Need for clear and meaningful descriptions
- Need for consistency and guidance





Feedback

If you have any suggestions or feedback based on use of EPPO codes in SANTE systems, please do not hesitate to contact us ©

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