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The RNQP Project - funded by the EU, of benefit to the whole EPPO region

Event: EEC/EPPO Workshop on Regulated Pests:
risk analysis and listing

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EPPO criteria for participating in projects

Generally, according to the policy agreed by EPPO Council in 2014, involvement in projects has been approved where:

- EPPO has relevant capability (skills, networks, information)
- EPPO has spare capacity or can create it through recruitment
- There are clear synergies with EPPO's core programme of work
- There are other benefits to members from participation
- There are no conflicts of interest with EPPO's core programme

RNQP Project

**... a 2-year project contracted with the EU COM
for benefit to the entire EPPO region**

WORKSHOP ON REGULATED PESTS: Risk analysis & listing

SESSION 2: Assessment of the RNQP status

1. The RNQP Project;



1 - Context

- RNQPs concept introduced in the **New revised text of the IPPC (1997)**, and defined in **ISPM 16** and **ISPM 21**;
- ‘Union RNQPs’ introduced within **Regulation (EU) 2016/2031**;
2016-11-23: Publication, 2016-12-13: Entry in force, 2019-12-13: Application

✓ **Aim:** limit the economic impact on the intended use (and not to prevent introduction or spread);

✓ **Definition:** clear identity, presence in the EU, not a quarantine pest, mainly transmitted by plants for planting, unacceptable economic impact on the intended use, risk management measures available;

2 – The RNQP Project

A project funded by the EU COM

- about taxonomy, evaluation of the RNQP status, risk management measures (RMM) and tolerance levels;
- **1400** pest/host combinations:
 - Pests listed in the **EU Marketing Directives**;
 - Pests from **Council Directive 2000/29/EC** (mainly **Annex IIA2**) and candidate for the RNQP status according to IIA2 AWG;
- A **2 year** project that started in April 2016:
 - 2016-04-06: **Signature** of the contract with EU Commission;
 - 2016-05-11: **Kick-off** meeting.

3 – Scope of the contract

- **Pests not listed** in MD or not submitted within IIA2AWG were out of scope;
- **New host plants** were identified and evaluated only if important crops;
- For **pests not listed as species**, the project started by referring to regulators and stakeholders through questionnaires;
- Use of **PM 4 standards** (“Production of healthy plants for planting”): Pests/hosts already listed in an EPPO PM 4 Standard “by default” considered as RNQP.
This was reviewed by experts within SEWGs.
- **Justifications** mainly needed for deletions;

4 – Development of a methodology

PM4

A1 – Is the pest already listed in a PM4 standard on the concerned host plant? [by EPPO]

Yes: Recommended for the RNQP status – based on PM4

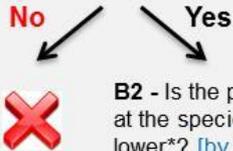


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TAXONOMY

B1 - Is the organism clearly a single taxonomic entity and can it be adequately distinguished from other entities of the same rank? [by EPPO]



B2 - Is the pest defined at the species level or lower**? [by EPPO]



B3 - Can listing of the pest at a taxonomic level higher** than species be supported by scientific reasons or can species be identified within the taxonomic rank which are the (main) pests of concern (If Yes, please list the species)? [by EPPO, using Q.]



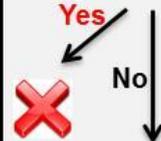
B4 - Is it justified that the pest is listed at a taxonomic rank below* species level? [by SEWGs]



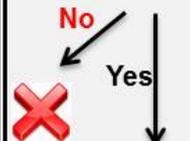
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STATUS IN EU PATHWAYS

C1 - Is this pest already a quarantine pest for whole EU? [by EPPO]



C2 - Is this pest present in the EU? [by EPPO]



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D1 - Are the listed plants for planting the main pathway for the pest/host/intended use combination?

(to evaluate if it is the "main" pathway, we evaluate if plants for planting is a significant pathway compared to other pathways)

[by EPPO + SEWGs]



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ECONOMIC IMPACT

E1 - Are there documented reports of any economic impact on the host? [by EPPO, using Q.]



E2 - What is the likely economic impact of the pest irrespective of its infestation source in the absence of phytosanitary measures (= official measures)? [by SEWGs]

Minimal, Minor, Medium, Major, Massive

E3 - Is the economic impact due to the presence of the pest on the named host plant for planting, acceptable to the propagation and end user sectors concerned? [by SEWGs, using Q.]



E4 - Is there unacceptable economic impact caused to other hosts (or the same host with a different intended use) produced at the same place of production due to the transfer of the pest from the named host plant for planting? [by SEWGs]



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RMM

F1 - Are there feasible and effective measures available to prevent the presence of the pest on the plants for planting at an incidence above a certain threshold (including zero) to avoid an unacceptable economic impact as regards the relevant host plants? [by SEWGs]



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DATA QUALITY

G1 - Is the quality of the data sufficient to recommend the pest to be listed as a RNQP?? [by SEWGs]



Yes: Recommended for the RNQP status – based on data

No: Recommended for the RNQP status – by default

5 – Call for evidence from Member States and EU stakeholders

- **2016-07/11: Questionnaire**
 - To evaluate entries not precisely defined in the Marketing directives;
 - To gather deregulation (and regulation) proposals;
 - To propose amendments to the current thresholds/requirements;
 - To gather indications of economic value of plant for planting sectors.

24 out of 28 EU Member States replied (86% answer rate);

5 out of 15 EU Stakeholders associations (33% answer rate, AIPH, EFNA, ENA, ESA, EUROPATAT);

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8	CZ	Czech Republic	Yes		/auth/vu8x7909f
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16	IT	Italy	Yes		/auth/vu16x5c1c
17	LV	Latvia	Yes		/auth/vu17xc7915

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Beet seed sector

LISTING OF REGULATED NON-QUARANTINE PESTS (RNQPs)

1.1 - From your perspective, is it justified (or necessary) to regulate pests other than quarantine pests (QP), on plants for planting, for the Beet seed sector?

Yes

1.1.2 - please select the most adapted justification(s):

- A - Certain pests have the potential to cause unacceptable economic impact(s) when the planting material is infested with the pest, and there is a need to implement official measures for specified plants for planting
- B - Risk needs to be managed at EU level
- C - This will facilitate the trade within the internal EU market
- E - This will ensure a good plant health status of imported plants for planting
- F - This will facilitate export to third countries

1.2 - Are there any pests, currently not listed within the Marketing Directives nor submitted by the IIA2 Annex Working Group that should be proposed as RNQP for this specific sector (Beet seed sector)? (These pests will not be considered for listing within the current project but answers might provide useful information for further considerations by the EPPO and the EU)

No

Pests listed at a taxonomic level higher than the species level:

A list of entries that are listed in EU Marketing Directive for **Beet seed sector** at a taxonomic level higher than the species level is available in the link below. According to ISPM 21 "For the pest, the taxonomic unit is generally the species. The use of higher or lower taxonomic level should be supported by a scientifically sound rationale".

1.4 - In general, EPPO does not consider that listing of RNQPs at levels higher than species level is justified. Would you agree?

Tout efficher

6 – Six sector-EWGs to apply the methodology in relation to different sectors

<i>3 + 5 experts</i>	<i>8 + 1 experts</i>	<i>8 experts</i>	<i>5 experts</i>	<i>7 experts</i>	<i>6 experts</i>
‘Seed potato’ (EPPO Panel)	‘Forestry’ (EPPO Panel)	‘Fruits (including hops) and Vine’	‘Agricultural species’	‘Vegetable plants’	‘Ornamentals’
<i>February</i> <i>2days</i> <i>Turkey</i> (2017-02-23/24)	<i>March</i> <i>1day</i> <i>Paris</i> (2017-03-22/23)	<i>May</i> <i>3days</i> <i>Paris</i> (2017-05-02/04)	<i>May/June</i> <i>3days</i> <i>Paris</i> (2017-05-30 to 2017-06-01)	<i>June/July</i> <i>3days</i> <i>Paris</i> (2017-07-04/07)	<i>September</i> <i>3 days</i> <i>Paris</i> (2017-09-12/15)
Core-HEWG plus (check outputs, ensure harmonization, ...)					

half a day webinar was organized before each SEWG to present the methodology, to discuss answers to the questionnaires, and to prepare for the application of the methodology.

45 experts: Expertise from **16** EU + **5** non-EU countries;

7 – Country consultation through NPPOs asking for additional data

- 2017-10 to 2017-11: Country consultation through NPPOs asking for any additional data to be taken into consideration;
- 8 countries + 2 Stakeholders associations (ENA, ESA) submitted comments
- 2017-12-15: meeting (videoconference) of the core-HEWG (plus) for discussion of these additional data submitted and homogenization of the recommendations;

9 – A final Report sent to the EU COM

- 2018-04: Final report;



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Final report for EU Quality Pests Project (RNQP project)

Final report in accordance with Annex 1 ('Tender specifications', section 11 ('Reports and documents to be submitted') of the contract SANTE/2016/G1/SI/2.726941.



Final plants produced in pots in the South-West of France (Camille PICARD, 2014)

The subject of the contract is the 'Review of the EU regulated quality pests and development of risk assessments for a list of Union Quality Pests to be established by the European Commission in the framework of the new Regulation on protective measures against pests of plants ('EU Quality Pest Project')'.

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Conclusion

- Number of meetings: **17**

1 kick-off meeting; 3 Horizontal-EWGs; 6 Webinars;
6 Sector-EWGs; 1 coreHEWGplus;

- Number of experts:

18 (Horizontal-EWG) + **45** (Sector-EWGs);

Experts working on Directive 2000/29/EC and on Marketing Directives;

- Countries directly involved in the project:

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