

and update on activities by **NAPPO Experts** participating in GICSV Technical Working Groups - TWGs

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GICSV = inter-American coordinating group in plant health (Grupo Interamericano de Cooperación en Sanidad Vegetal)



GICSV brings together the Regional Plant Protection Organizations (**RPPOs**) of the Americas ...

1. NAPPO

- 2. The International Regional Organization for Plant and Animal Health - **OIRSA**
- 3. The General Secretariat of the Andean Community CAN
- 4. The Plant Protection Committee of the Southern Cone - **COSAVE**
- 5. The Caribbean Health and Food Safety Authority **CAHFSA**

• the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) serves as its Technical Secretariat

GICSV has had ..

- Ad-hoc cooperation since 1987
- MoU signed March 1998
- "secure common and effective action(s) to prevent the introduction and spread of pest of plants and plant products, and to promote appropriate measures for their control"

The **GICSV**

- Attempts one face-to-face meeting per year
- Changes Coordinator every 2 years
- Assigns subject matter experts from RPPO member countries
- The TWGs work virtually
 - TWG on Tuta absoluta
 - TWG on Huanglongbing
 - TWG on Banana Fusariosis
 - TWG ePhyto
 - TWG on fruit flies





In the hemisphere ...

NAPPO **encourages** coordinated phytosanitary approaches through participation in the GICSV; **collaborates** to implement the IPPC & ISPMs; **encourages** dialogue on phytosanitary issues

- Coordination of country positions for CPM via GICSV
- Participation in four GICSV TWGs
- Americas focused workshop on implementation of ISPM 38 – International Movement of Seeds



TWG on Huanglongbing

- coordinators from NAPPO
 - José Hernández and Angela McMellen-Brannigan – APHIS-PPQ
 - (Pedro Robles SENASICA)
- Sharing latest intel on research, surveillance, mitigation



TWG on ePhyto

- NAPPO members
 - Christian Dellis and Mike Perry – APHIS-PPQ
- Sharing advancements with the Hub and Generic Systems

TWG on *Tuta* absoluta

- NAPPO member
- Devaiah
 Muruvanda –
 APHIS-PPQ
- Neil Henry CFIA
- Sharing latest intel on research, surveillance, mitigation



TWG on fruit flies

- NAPPO members
 - Walt Gould and Ken Bloem – APHIS-PPQ
- Sharing latest intel on fruit fly programs including surveillance, mitigation

