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Progress Report 2019 Forestry Expert Group Science and Technology Document Contaminating Pests of Wood Commodities

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2019 NAPPO Forestry Expert Group Members



Background

ISPM 15 workshops organized by NAPPO in Beijing (2014) and San Jose (2016) requested a scientific review of contaminating pests as they relate to wood packaging

IPPC Contaminants working group and workshop (2020)



Objective and Deliverables

Scope:

Provide scientific background on live contaminating organisms on wood commodities and wood packaging and provide guidance regarding actions appropriate for addressing associated phytosanitary risks



Progress during 2019

June: First virtual meeting, EG formed

June, July & Sept: EG virtual meetings

July: Scope and outline

Aug, Sept, Oct: Writing sub-group, virtual meetings

Oct 28th 2019: EG meeting in Montréal



Content highlights

- Definitions
- What are considered contaminant pests by countries?
- Why do pests contaminate commodities?
- Biological considerations of risk
- Mitigation opportunities
- Inspection Guidance



Conclusions & next steps

- Liaising with the IPPC group on contaminants
- Collate interception data
- Finish developing the document
- Submit the document for international feedback





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