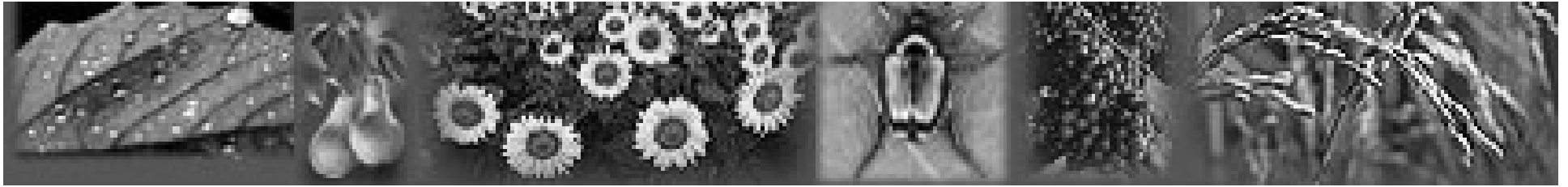


The International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)

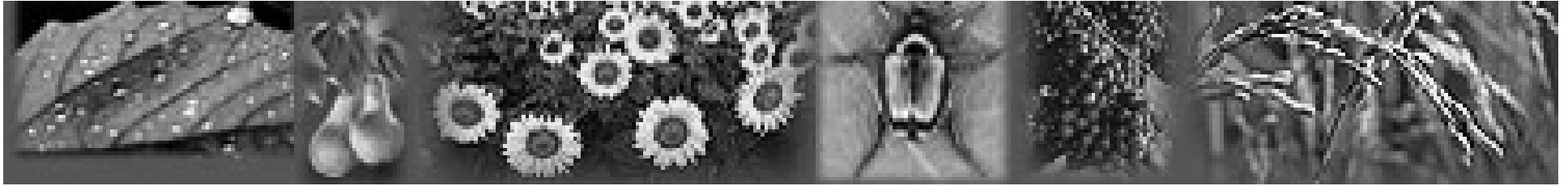




The IPPC

- Multilateral treaty for international cooperation in plant protection
- IPPC is the phytosanitary standard-setting organization named in the WTO-SPS Agreement



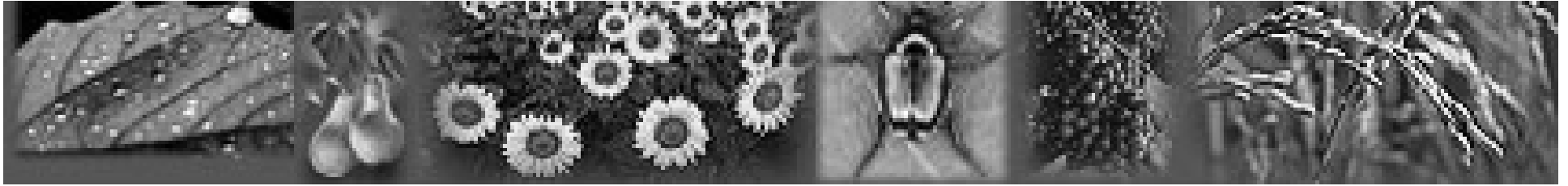


Purpose of the IPPC

... to secure common and effective action to prevent the spread and introduction of pests of plants and plant products, and to promote appropriate measures for their control.

(Article 1 of IPPC)

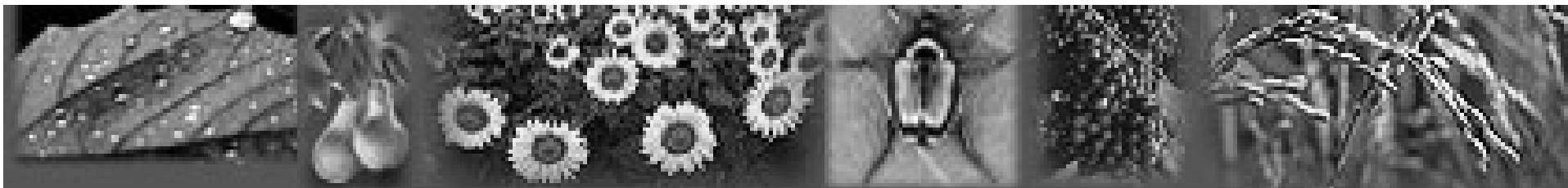




Scope of the IPPC

- International cooperation in the protection of plants and plant products from harmful pests
 - plants: agricultural plants, forests and wild flora
 - plant pests: invertebrates, diseases and weeds
 - harm: includes indirect effects such as those from weeds
 - not limited to trade





Scope of the IPPC (cont.)

- Extends to items capable of harbouring or spreading pests, such as:
 - storage places;
 - conveyances; and
 - containers
- Includes biological control organisms
- Provision for research or other purposes

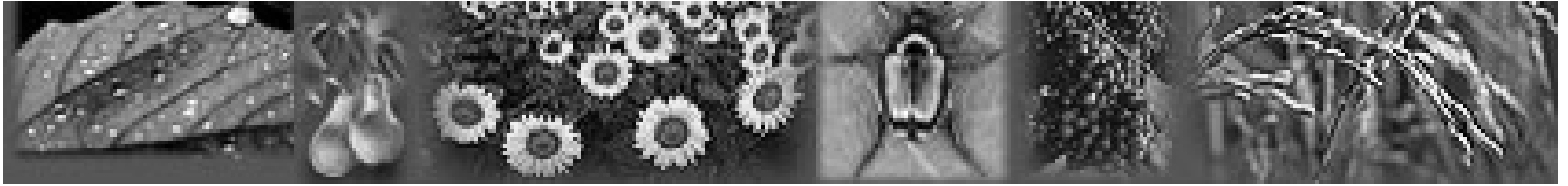




Key Obligations of the IPPC

- Set up & administer a National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO)
- Official IPPC contact point
- Conduct treatments and certify exports
- Regulate imports
- Cooperate internationally
 - share information on pests and regulations
- Develop and take into account phytosanitary standards





Key Principles of the IPPC

- Sovereign right to regulate
- Measures - only when necessary
- Measures should be:
 - consistent with the risk, technically justified/scientific basis and the least restrictive
 - non-discriminatory
 - transparent (published)



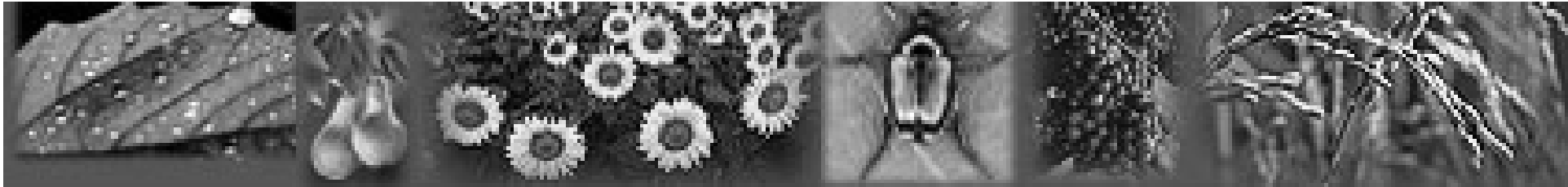


Relationship to the SPS

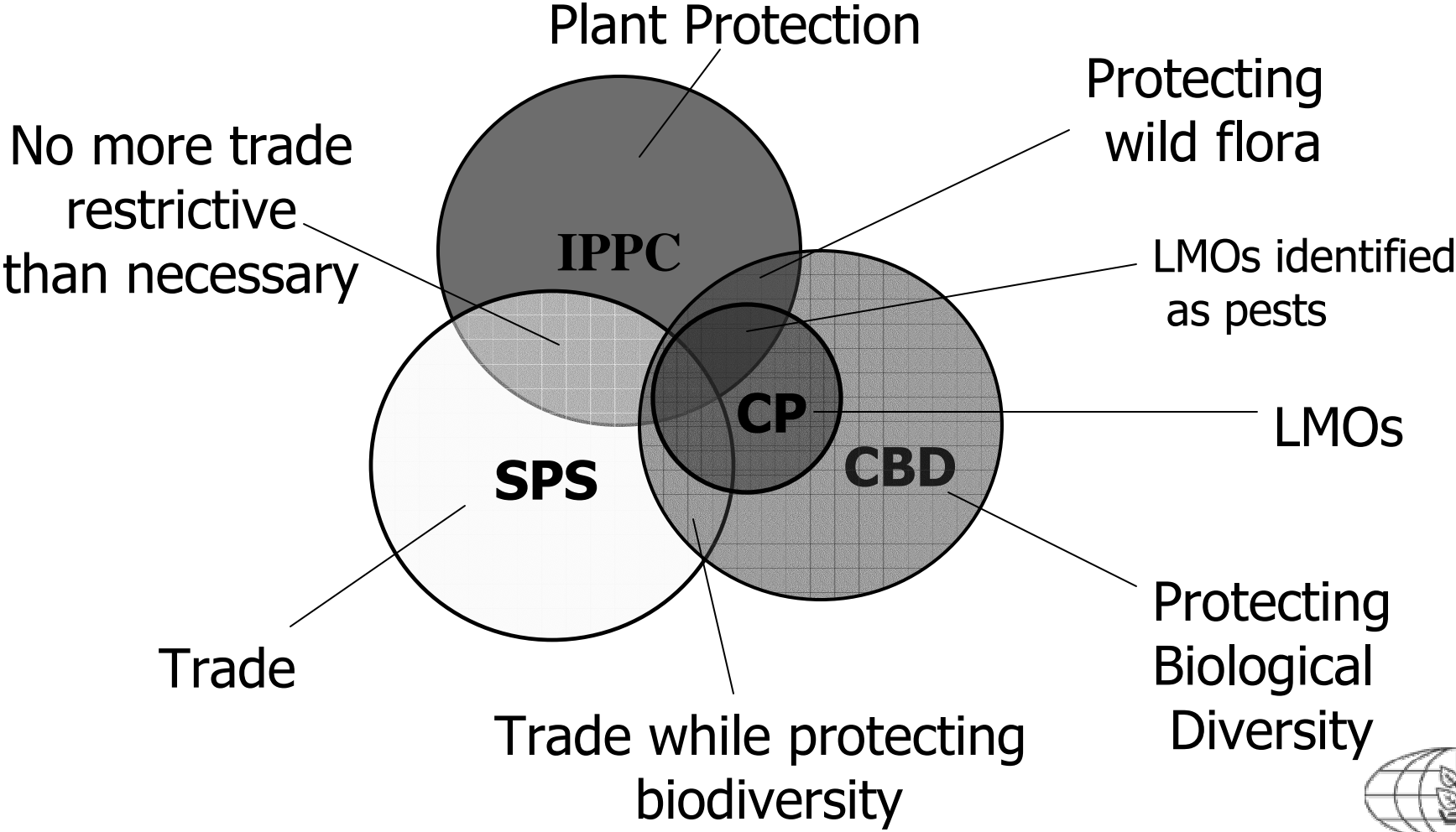
- members **shall** base their phytosanitary measures on international standards or justify deviations through risk analysis
- members **shall** play a full part in the relevant standard setting organization
- relevant standard setting organizations are Codex, OIE, and IPPC

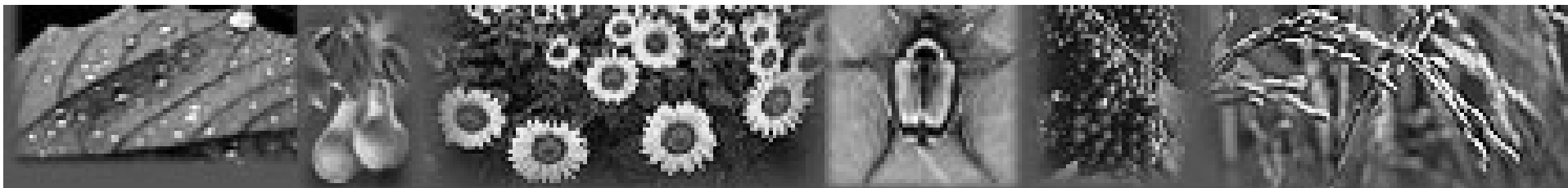
(Article 3 of the SPS, Harmonization)





International Regulatory Framework

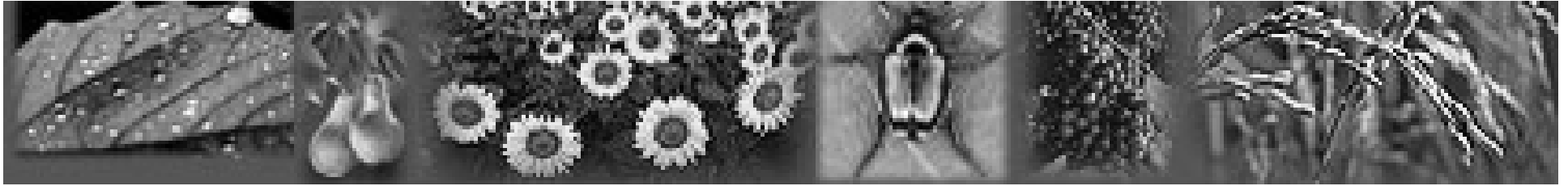




Bodies established under the **IPPC**

- Commission on Phytosanitary Measures, currently Interim (ICPM), Article XI-IPPC
- IPPC Secretariat, Article XII-IPPC
- Regional Plant Protection Organizations, Article IX-IPPC (Asia and Pacific Plant Protection Commission for Asia)





International Standard Setting Programme

- Expert Working Groups draft standards (throughout year)
- SC - Standards Committee guides process and reviews drafts
- Country Consultation
- ICPM adopts standards and sets priorities for next year (April)

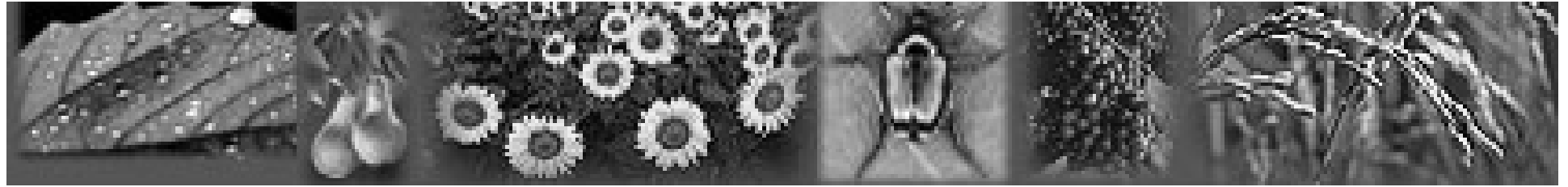




ISPMs

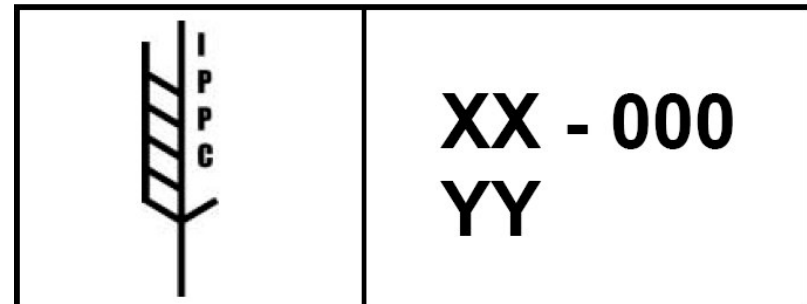
- Types of Standard
 - Reference
 - Concept
 - Specific
 - Commodity, Pest, or Measures
- 21 adopted since 1992

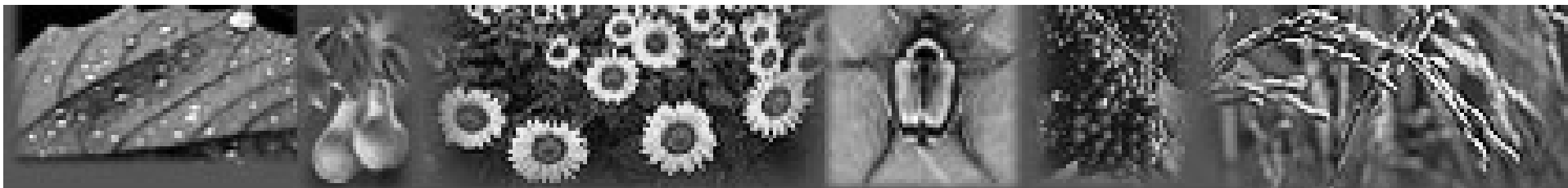




ISPMs

GUIDELINES FOR REGULATING WOOD PACKAGING MATERIAL IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE

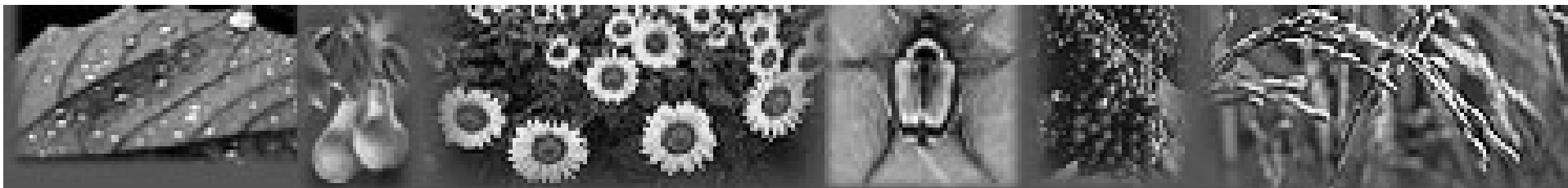




Technical support

- Technical consultation programme
 - Regional workshop on draft standards
- IPPC staff provide phytosanitary support to:
 - FAO Technical Assistance programmes (TCPs)
 - Ad hoc workshops (e.g. WTO, WB, WHO)
 - Programmes of other regional and international organizations (e.g. IAEA, APO, APEC)



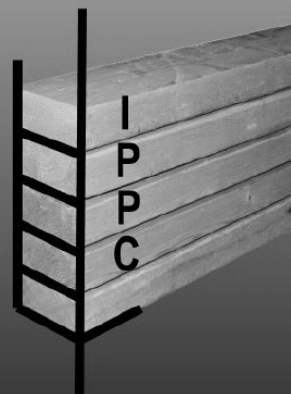


Technical support

IPPC Workshop on the Practical Application of ISPM No. 15



Vancouver, Canada
February 28 - March 4, 2005



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Title: Adult female, *Bactrocera dorsalis* (Oriental Fruit Fly)
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Standards (ISPMs)

- Adopted ISPMs
- Draft ISPMs for country consultation
- Specifications for ISPMs

Convention (IPPC)

- Convention text
- Benefits of membership
- Contracting parties
- Adherence & acceptance

The Commission (ICPM)

- About the ICPM
- ICPM reports
- 7th ICPM Rome, April 2005
- Standard setting

Information exchange

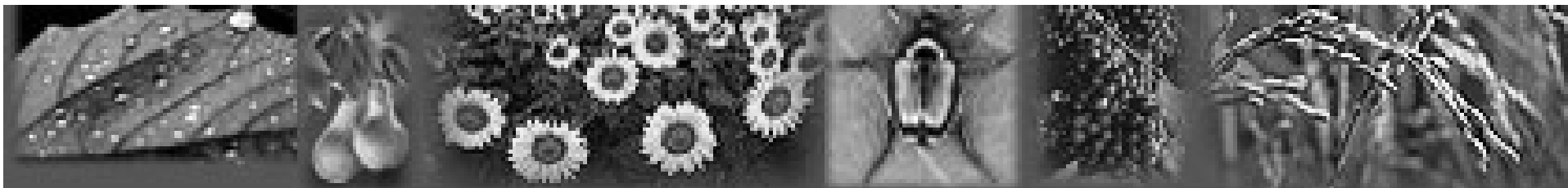
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All National Information

- NPPO Contact Points
- Pest Reports
- Phytosanitary Regulations
- Lists of Regulated Pests
- Points of Entry
- Emergency Actions
- Description of NPPO

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