



**40<sup>th</sup> NAPPO ANNUAL MEETING**  
October 31 to November 3, 2016  
**Marriott Chateau Champlain Hotel**  
1 Place du Canada, Montreal, QC Canada H3B 4C9

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Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the North American Plant Protection Organization (NAPPO) Executive Committee, I am pleased to invite you to participate in the 40<sup>th</sup> NAPPO Annual Meeting to be held October 31 to November 3, 2016 at the Marriott Chateau Champlain Hotel, Montreal, QC, Canada.

The North American Plant Protection Organization (NAPPO) provides a unique forum for public and private sectors in Canada, the United States and Mexico to collaborate in the development of regional science-based and risk-based phytosanitary standards aimed at protecting agricultural, forest and other plant resources against regulated plant pests while facilitating trade. Each year, the NAPPO Annual Meeting provides an excellent opportunity for government officials, industry representatives and research scientists to come together and discuss key issues affecting plant protection in North America and examine ways in which to increase safe inter- as well as intra-regional trade in plants and plant products.

During the 2016 NAPPO Annual Meeting, NAPPO's Expert Groups will report on their work towards fulfilling NAPPO's strategic plan objectives. In addition, the theme for this year's symposium will be "Building on industry experience and best practices for efficient alternative service delivery".

Additional information concerning NAPPO activities and the NAPPO Annual Meeting is available at <http://www.nappo.org>

I hope we can count on your attendance at the 2016 NAPPO Annual Meeting and I look forward seeing you in Montreal!

Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Marie-Claude Forest'. The signature is stylized and somewhat abstract, with several loops and flourishes.

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