



# GICSV

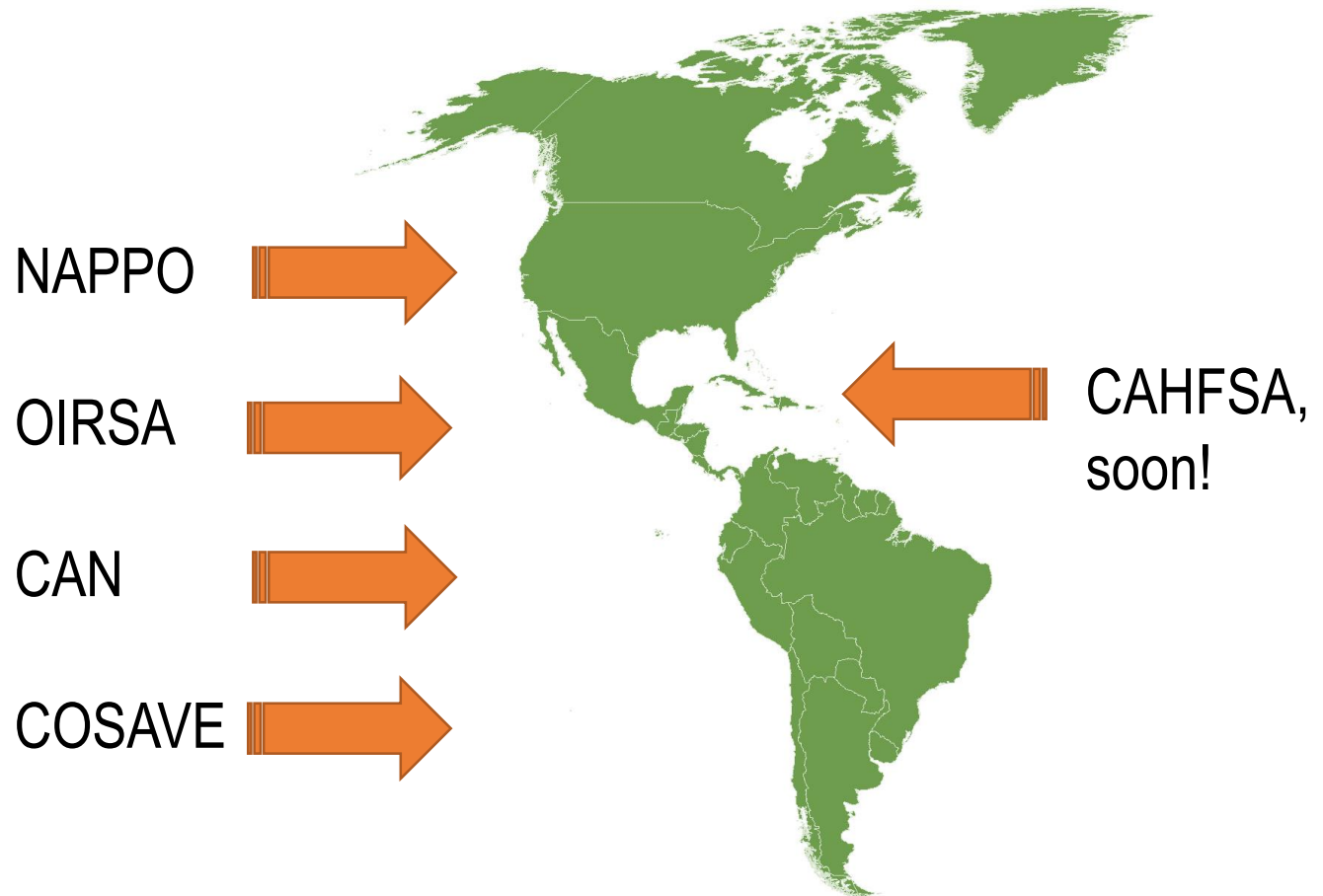
Grupo Interamericano de  
Coordinación en Sanidad Vegetal  
Inter-American Coordinating  
Group in Plant Protection

Who?

and brief report on activities by **NAPPO Experts** on  
GICSV Technical Working Groups - TWGs

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GICSV = inter-American coordinating group in plant protection  
(grupo inter-americano de cooperación en sanidad vegetal)



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

1. The North American Plant Protection Organization (**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. Soon – Lima, Peru, Nov. 3, 2018 – Caribbean Health and Food Safety Authority (**CAHFSA**)

the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (**IICA**) serves as a Technical Secretariat for the Group

- 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**

- Holds regular virtual meetings
- Tries to have one face-to-face meeting per year
- Biennial change of coordination – soon CAN to COSAVE
- Assigns subject matter experts from member countries to TWGs in order to achieve the objectives of their work program
  - TWG on *Tuta absoluta*
  - **TWG on Huanglongbing**
  - TWG on Banana Fusariosis
  - **TWG ePhyto**
  - others





## In the hemisphere ...

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

- Coordination of country positions for CPM via GICSV
- Participation in GICSV TWGs – HLB and ePhyto
- Design, develop & deliver workshop on implementation of ISPM 38 – *International Movement of Seeds* - to the Americas

# GICSV TWGs and NAPPO

## TWG on Huanglongbing

- coordinators from NAPPO
  - Jose Hernandez, Angela McMellen-Brannigan – APHIS-PPQ
  - Pedro Robles – SENASICA
- Sharing latest intel research, surveillance, mitigation
- Planning HLB GICSV workshop in 2019

## TWG on ePhyto

- NAPPO member
  - Christian Dellis & Mike Perry – APHIS-PPQ
- Sharing of advancements with Hub and Generic System