ISPM 38: International Movement of Seeds
Hemispheric Implementation Workshop

Expert Group
2018 Progress Report

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Objectives

- Design and deliver a hemispheric workshop to facilitate implementation of ISPM 38: International Movement of Seeds

- Develop the workshop for a wide range of stakeholders:
  - NAPPO member country phytosanitary regulatory officials
  - Regulatory officials of other RPPOs of the Americas (e.g., OIRSA, CAN, COSAVE and CAHFSA
  - Seed industry experts

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Background

- After about eight years in development, ISPM 38: International Movement of Seeds adopted in March 2017

- Key features:
    - Definitions of seed-borne, seed transmitted
    - Emphasis on PRA to seed as a pathway
    - Recognizes risk reduction potential of production practices
    - Supports the use of systems approaches to reduce risk of international seed movement

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Need

- Seed trade expanding globally and in volume
  - Re-export the norm
- Countries lack PRA/risk management resources (or lack specific expertise in seeds)
  - Seed production BMPs / QMS
- International desire to create global, multilaterally accepted and implemented seed systems approach
  - ISPM 38 Annex

EG 2018 Activities

- Multiple teleconference meetings
- Workshop date selected
  - March 5-8, 2019

- Location/venue arranged

  - Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) headquarters / San Jose, Costa Rica
- Draft agenda developed

Agenda

Two and a half day workshop mixing presentations and discussion sessions

- Day 1
  - Overview of ISPM 38
  - Focus on pest risk assessment
- Day 2
  - Focus on pest risk management / systems approaches
- Day 3
  - Implementation challenges
  - Wrap-up

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Next Steps

- Finalize agenda
- Determine / invite speakers
- Determine participants
  - Who?
  - How many?
  - Open / by invitation?
- Logistics
  - Hotel, transportation, etc.

Questions?