

International Year of Plant Health



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IYPH Objective

"The International Year of Plant Health (IYPH) will raise awareness of the importance and impacts of plant health in addressing issues of global importance, including hunger, poverty, threats to the environment and economic development"



Concept of Plant Health

For the purpose of IYPH 2020: “Plant health is a discipline that uses a range of measures to control and prevent pests, weeds and disease causing organisms to spread into new areas, especially through human interaction such as international trade”



IYPH Proclamation Background



Towards the IYPH proclamation

April 2018

CPM-13 agrees to IYPH skeleton programme and estimated costs proposed by the IYPH StC.

2018 (ongoing)

All countries are invited to contact their UN Missions to support the IYPH resolution.

November 2018

Finland and other UN members will present a resolution to proclaim IYPH 2020 at the UNGA 2nd Committee.



Actions to support the IYPH proclamation

The IYPH StC:

- Developed and shared info package: IYPH and IPPC factsheets, links to plant health-related articles, model statements for UNGA
- Developed a communication plan for all phases leading to proclamation

NPPOs are invited to:

- Share IYPH information package with UN Missions (on IPPC website)
- Liaise with UN Missions to ensure they support the IYPH resolution (possibly as co-sponsors, not entailing financial engagements)
- Secure funding for the global programme (through the IPPC trust fund) and respective regional and national programmes

How You Can Help

NPPOs, RPPOs, & Government Stakeholders:

- Contact your UN Missions to support IYPH proclamation
- Contact your IYPH StC representative
- Start planning national and regional activities now
- Talk about it: develop a communication plan
- Give presentations at scientific conferences
- Engage with national stakeholders including media, public, industry, academia

Public and Industry:

- Reflect on the challenges and benefits related to plant health activities in your sectors
- Identify the most important initiatives, achievements, improvements, etc.
- Talk about it: develop a communication plan
- Identify relevant activities to celebrate IYPH: e.g. special plant hybrids, one-pager in newspapers, industry seminars, etc.

After the IYPH proclamation (1)

2019:

- FAO will form a new IYPH International Steering Committee
- Current IPPC IYPH StC will be maintained as a technical advisory committee

2019-12: IYPH launch events in New York and Rome

2020: IYPH activities at the global level, including:

- Ministerial-level CPM in Rome
- Conference on Plant Health (location TBD)
- World Food Day focused on Plant Health
- IYPH closing event in Rome

After the IYPH proclamation (2)

Regional activities:

1. FAO Regional Conferences (proposed booths / side sessions)
2. Regional activities are encouraged under FAO/IPPC coordination; regions are encouraged to use the IYPH visual identity
3. Coordination mechanisms to celebrate IYPH may be established at the regional level

National activities:

1. National activities are encouraged under FAO/IPPC coordination; countries are encouraged to use the IYPH visual identity
2. Countries may create national IYPH steering committees to coordinate relevant activities

Questions

1. What have you done?
2. What are you planning to do?

... to make the IYPH a success ...

Open discussion

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