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ANNEX 1

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to the

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION

**on the adoption of the work programme for 2017-2018 for the implementation of survey
programmes for pests**

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1. LEGAL BASIS

Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 laying down provisions for the management of expenditure relating to the food chain, animal health and animal welfare, and relating to plant health and plant reproductive material¹, in particular Title II, Chapter II, Section 2 thereof.

2. BUDGET LINE

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of survey programmes for pests for 2017 and 2018 is hereby set at EUR 40 000 000 and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following line of the the general budget of the European Union for 2017-2018 – budget line 17.04.02:

EUR 15 000 000 for 2017;

EUR 25 000 000 for 2018.

3. PRIORITIES FOR 2017-2018

The second paragraph of Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 652/2014 sets out priorities for Union financial support, as regards the orientation of national programmes for pest surveys for the protection of the Union territory. Based on that Annex, the following priorities for 2017-2018 have been laid down:

(a) The pests listed in Section I of Part A of Annex I and Section I of Part A of Annex II to Directive 2000/29/EC as not known to occur in the Union territory ('not known to occur listed pests'), to which an indicative 30 % of the available commitment appropriations on budget line 17 04 02 shall be dedicated.

i. pests of fruit trees and plants:

- *Aleurocantus spp.*
- *Citrus tristeza virus* (non-European strains)
- *Diaporthe vaccinii* Shear
- The following non-European Tephritidae
 - *Dacus dorsalis* (Hendel)
 - *Pterandrus rosa* Karsch
 - *Rhagoletis fausta* (Osten-Sacken)
- *Phyllosticta citricarpa* (McAlpine) Van der Aa
- *Toxoptera citrida*
- *Xanthomonas campestris* (all strains pathogenic to Citrus)
- *Candidatus Liberibacter spp.* causal agent of Huanglongbing disease of citrus or "citrus greening disease", and its vectors (*Diaphorina citri* Kuway and *Trioza erytreae* Del Guercio)

ii. pests of cereal crops:

¹ OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p. 1.

- *Erwinia stewartii* (Smith) Dye
 - iii. pests of deciduous trees:
 - *Agrilus anxius* Gory
 - *Agrilus planipennis* Fairmaire
 - iv. pests of coniferous trees:
 - *Atropellis* spp
 - *Dendrolimus sibiricus* Chetverikov
 - *Monochamus* spp. (non-European)
 - *Pissodes* spp. (non-European)
 - v. miscellaneous pests:
 - *Anthonomus eugeni* Cano
 - *Scirtothrips* sp.
- (b) The pests subject to Union measures adopted by the Commission in accordance with Article 16(3) of Directive 2000/29/EC, to which an indicative 35 % of the available commitment appropriations on budget line 17 04 02 shall be dedicated.
- *Xylella fastidiosa* (Well and Raju) (Commission Implementing Decision 2014/497/EU²)
 - *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* (Steiner et Buhner) Nickle et al. (Commission Implementing Decision 2012/535/EC³)
 - *Anoplophora chinensis* (Forster) (Commission Implementing Decision 2012/138/EC⁴)
 - *Anoplophora glabripennis* (Motschulsky) (Commission Implementing Decision 2015/893/EU⁵)
 - *Epitrix cucumeris* (Harris), *Epitrix similaris* (Gentner), *Epitrix subcrinita* (Lec.) and *Epitrix tuberis* (Gentner) (Commission Implementing Decision 2012/270/EU⁶)
 - *Gibberella circinata* Nirenberg & O'Donnell (Commission Decision 2007/433/EC⁷)

² Commission Implementing Decision 2014/497/EU of 23 July 2014 as regards measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Xylella fastidiosa* (Well and Raju) (OJ L 219, 25.7.2014, p. 56).

³ Commission Implementing Decision 2012/535/EU of 26 September 2012 on emergency measures to prevent the spread within the Union of *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* (Steiner et Buhner) Nickle et al. (the pine wood nematode) (OJ L 266, 2.10.2012, p. 42).

⁴ Commission Implementing Decision 2012/138/EU of 1 March 2012 as regards emergency measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Anoplophora chinensis* (Forster) (OJ L 64, 3.3.2012, p. 38).

⁵ Commission Implementing Decision 2015/893/EU of 9 June 2015 as regards measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Anoplophora glabripennis* (Motschulsky) (OJ L 146, 11.6.2015, p.16).

⁶ Commission Implementing Decision 2012/270/EU of 16 May 2012 as regards emergency measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Epitrix cucumeris* (Harris), *Epitrix similaris* (Gentner), *Epitrix subcrinita* (Lec.) and *Epitrix tuberis* (Gentner) (OJ L 132, 23.5.2012, p. 18).

- *Pomacea* (Perry) (Commission Implementing Decision 2012/697/EU⁸)
 - *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *actinidiae* Takikawa, Serizawa, Ichikawa, Tsuyumu & Goto (Commission Implementing Decision 2012/756/EU⁹)
- (c) The pests which have the potential to generate a crisis situation with serious economic and environmental consequences and pests which have an impact on trade within the Union and with third countries, to which an indicative 25 % of the available commitment appropriations on budget line 17 04 02 shall be dedicated. Priority will be given to potato pests.
- (i) pests of potatoes:
- *Synchytrium endobioticum* (Schilbersky) Percival (Council Directive 69/464/EEC¹⁰)
 - *Clavibacter michiganensis* (Smith) Davis et al. ssp. *sepedonicus* (Spieckermann & Kotthoff) Davis et al. (Council Directive 93/85/EEC¹¹)
 - *Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al. (Council Directive 98/57/EC¹²)
 - *Globodera pallida* (Stone) Behrens and *G. rostochiensis* (Wollenweber) Behrens (Council Directive 2007/33/EC¹³)
- (ii) other pests:
- *Eotetranychus lewisi* (McGregor)
 - Grapevine flavescence dorée phytoplasma
 - *Popillia japonica* Newman
 - *Radopholus similis* (Cobb) Thorne
- (d) The pests which represent an emerging risk for the Union territory, to which an indicative 10 % of the available commitment appropriations on budget line 17 04 02 will be dedicated. The priority pests include the following:
- *Agrilus auroguttatus* Schaeffer
 - *Aromia bungii* (Faldermann)

⁷ Commission Decision 2007/433/EC of 18 June 2007 on provisional emergency measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Community of *Gibberella circinata* Nirenberg & O'Donnell (OJ L 161, 22.6.2007, p. 66).

⁸ Commission Implementing Decision 2012/697/EU of 8 November 2012 as regards measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of the genus *Pomacea* (Perry) (OJ L 311, 10.11.2012, p. 14).

⁹ Commission Implementing Decision 2012/756/EU of 5 December 2012 as regards measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *actinidiae* Takikawa, Serizawa, Ichikawa, Tsuyumu & Goto (OJ L 335, 7.12.2012, p. 49).

¹⁰ Council Directive 69/464/EEC of 8 December 1969 on control of Potato Wart Disease (OJ L 1969(II) P. 561).

¹¹ Council Directive 93/85/EEC of 4 October 1993 on the control of potato ring rot (OJ L 259, 18.10.1993, p. 1).

¹² Council Directive 98/57/EC of 20 July 1998 on the control of *Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al. (OJ L 235, 21.8.1998, p. 1).

¹³ Council Directive 2007/33/EC of 11 June 2007 on the control of potato cyst nematodes and repealing Directive 69/465/EEC (OJ L 156, 16.6.2007, p. 12).

- *Candidatus Liberibacter solanacearum* (Liefting et al.)
- *Geosmithia morbida* Kolarik et al. and its vector *Pityophthorus juglandis* Blackman
- Hop stunt viroid and Citrus bark cracking viroid
- *Polygraphus proximus* Blandford
- *Scaphoideus titanus* Ball
- *Thaumatotibia leucotreta* (Meyrick)
- *Thrips setosus* Moulton
- Tomato leaf curl New Delhi virus (ToLCNDV)
- *Xylosandrus crassiusculus* (Motschulsky)

4. OBJECTIVES PURSUED

The objectives of the survey programmes shall be the following:

- (a) The **general** objective is to contribute to a high level of health for plants along the food chain and in related areas, by preventing and eradicating pests and by ensuring a high level of protection for consumers and the environment, while enhancing the competitiveness of the Union food and feed industry and favouring the creation of jobs.
- (b) The **specific** objective is to contribute to the timely detection of pests in the Union territory.
- (c) The **operational** objectives shall be the following:
 - (i) to timely identify and detect emerging risks as regards non listed pests which represent an imminent or potential danger for the EU territory;
 - (ii) to ensure the early and appropriate action against the presence of pests, in particular:
 - the non-listed pests representing an imminent danger for the Union territory,
 - the "not known to occur" listed pests,
 - the pests subject to measures adopted by the Commission in accordance with Article 16(3) of Directive 2000/29/EC, and
 - the potato pests subject to the measures laid down in Directives 69/464/EEC¹⁴, 93/85/EEC¹⁵, 98/57/EC¹⁶ and 2007/33/EC¹⁷;
 - (iii) to improve the functioning of the Union plant health legislation by monitoring the risks of pests listed in Directive 2000/29/EC and pests not

¹⁴ Council Directive 69/464/EEC of 8 December 1969 on control of Potato Wart Disease (OJ L 323, 24.12.1969, p. 1).

¹⁵ Council Directive 93/85/EEC of 4 October 1993 on the control of potato ring rot (OJ L 259, 4.10.1993, p. 1).

¹⁶ Council Directive 98/57/EC of 20 July 1998 on the control of *Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al (OJ L 235, 21.8.1998, p. 1).

¹⁷ Council Directive 2007/33/EC of 11 June 2007 on the control of potato cyst nematodes and repealing Directive 69/465/EEC (OJ L 156, 16.6.2007, p. 12).

listed in the previously mentioned Directive, after interceptions of imported commodities infested with these pests.

5. EXPECTED RESULTS OF THE SURVEY PROGRAMMES

The expected results of the survey programmes shall be the following:

- (a) Aggregated data (maps) on the absence or the presence of the following:
 - (i) the pests listed under point 3 of the present Annex;
 - (ii) the pests subject to measures adopted by the Commission in accordance with Article 16(3) of Directive 2000/29/EC on specified crops, trees and the environment, including data on their distribution in the Union territory;
 - (iii) the potato pests subject to the measures laid down in Directives 69/464/EEC, 93/85/EEC, 98/57/EC and 2007/33/EC.
- (b) An inventory of the non-listed pests which currently represent imminent danger for the Union territory.
- (c) Aggregated data on the risks associated with specific types of imports.

6. ELIGIBILITY AND AWARD CRITERIA

The survey programmes shall be implemented under the sole responsibility of the competent authorities of the Member States.

As provided for in Article 3(2) of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, when grants are awarded to the competent authorities of the Member States, they shall be considered to be identified beneficiaries within the meaning of Article 128(1) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012.

Therefore, such grants may be awarded without a call for proposals.

6.1. Eligibility criteria for submitted survey programmes

- (a) Programmes must be submitted to the Commission by the single authority of the Member States, referred to in the first subparagraph of Article 1.(4) of Directive 2000/29/EC, which shall also be responsible for supervising and coordinating their implementation.
- (b) Only survey programmes for which the implementation is under the responsibility of the competent authorities of the Member States may receive a Union financial contribution.
- (c) Compliance of the submitted programme with the requirements of Union plant health legislation / rules;
- (d) Survey programmes must be submitted by 31 May 2016 in accordance with Article 21(1) of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014.
- (e) Survey programmes must comply with Articles 19 and 21 of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014.
- (f) To be eligible for co-funding, the survey programme must include at least the priorities referred to in points (a) and (b) of Section 3. If an organism from priority areas laid down under (a) or (b) is not included in the survey

programme, a motivation should be provided by the Member State and accepted by the Commission.

6.2. Award criteria for survey programmes submitted to the Commission

Award criteria make it possible to approve programmes that can guarantee compliance with Union objectives and priorities. To this end, each programme presented with a view to obtaining Union co-financing will be individually evaluated based on the following criteria:

- (a) the consistency of the survey programme with the objectives listed in Section 4 and expected results listed in Section 5;
- (b) the overall quality of the survey programme, namely, the relevance of the planned activities (type of actions proposed and the quantities of actions), taking into account the specific situation at national level;
- (c) the cost efficiency of the survey programme, including management costs.

7. INDICATIVE TIMETABLE OF THE GRANTS

January 2017 for surveys to be implemented in 2017 and January 2018 for surveys to be implemented in 2018.

8. MAXIMUM POSSIBLE RATE OF CO-FINANCING OF THE ELIGIBLE COSTS

According to Article 5(1) of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, the general rate for grants shall not exceed **50%** of the eligible costs. Nevertheless higher co-financing rates could be justified for different eligible measures, taking into account the characteristics of the pests or the situation of the concerned Member State/s.

In accordance with Article 5(2) of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, the maximum rate of 50% may be increased to 75% of the eligible costs in respect of:

- (a) Cross-border activities implemented together by two or more Member States in order to control, prevent or eradicate pests.

The potential application of point (a) will depend on the survey programme submitted to the Commission. The survey programme must clearly describe the co-operation between the Member States, as provided for in Article 5(2)(a) of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014.

- (b) Member States whose gross national income per inhabitant based on the latest Eurostat data is less than 90% of the Union average, as provided for in Article 5(2)(b) of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014.

The potentially eligible Member States under point (b) are currently: Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Croatia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia and Slovakia.

9. ELIGIBLE COSTS

In accordance with Article 20 of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, the following costs incurred by the Member States in implementing the survey programmes may qualify for grants:

- (a) the costs for sampling;

- (b) the costs of tests, provided that they are limited to:
 - (i) the costs of test kits, of reagents and of consumables which are identifiable and specifically used for carrying out the tests;
 - (ii) the costs of personnel, regardless of their status, directly involved in carrying out the tests;
- (c) in exceptional and duly justified cases, the costs incurred in carrying out necessary measures, which have been requested by the Member States with the appropriate justification in the grant application and accepted by the Commission.