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The International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) is the global treaty, signed by 184 countries, to protect plant resources (including forests, aquatic plants, non-cultivated plants and biodiversity) from plant pests. It was designed to facilitate safe trade through common and effective action to prevent the spread and introduction of plant pests and promote appropriate measures for their control.

Implementation Review and Support System

The IPPC [Implementation Review and Support System \(IRSS\)](#) was originally conceived as a process which would monitor challenges in implementing the IPPC, its standards, and the recommendations from the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures, which is the governing body for the IPPC. The IRSS also aims to scan emerging issues and provide assistance to signatories to enable them to focus on implementation.

Two examples of the value of the outputs of the IRSS include the [2012 IRSS Study on Aquatic Plants](#) and the [2012 IRSS Study on Internet Trade in Plants](#).

More about the International Plant Protection Convention

The IPPC was established as a Convention in 1951 and amended in 1979 and 1997. The IPPC is one of the 'Three Sisters' recognised by the World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, along with the Codex Alimentarius Commission and the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE).

[International Plant Protection Convention \(IPPC\) website](#)

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