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2018/134 EPPO welcomes Montenegro as its 52nd member country

EPPO is glad to welcome Montenegro as its 52nd member country. The process of joining EPPO was finalized in July 2018. EPPO looks forward to working closely with the NPPO of Montenegro on plant health.

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2018/135 EPPO GD Desktop: a new interface to replace PQR

In July 2018, the EPPO Secretariat released the first version of EPPO GD Desktop to replace PQR (the EPPO database on quarantine pests). EPPO GD Desktop is the 'off-line' version of the EPPO Global Database (GD). As was the case for PQR, it is a piece of software which first needs to be installed on personal computers. Once installed, no Internet connection is needed to run it.

Contents of GD Desktop

This software contains the following data which is directly extracted from GD:

- Basic information for many species (more than 80 000) that are of interest to agriculture, forestry and plant protection (scientific names, synonyms, common names, taxonomic position and EPPO Codes).
- Geographical distribution of regulated pests (including invasive alien plants) with world maps.
- List of host plants of regulated pests.
- Categorization (quarantine status) of pests.
- Articles of the EPPO Reporting Service.
- Images of plants and pests.

Important notes:

- EPPO GD Desktop <u>does not</u> contain EPPO Standards, PRAs and other EPPO pest-specific documents (these are only available via GD or the EPPO website <u>www.eppo.int</u>).
- EPPO GD Desktop can be downloaded as a FULL or LITE version. The FULL version contains all available images of plants and pests (same as in GD), and as a consequence is a heavier installation file. The LITE version only contains 1 selected image for each plant or pest to reduce the size of the installation file.

How to install and update GD Desktop

To install and update GD Desktop, an Internet connection will be needed. In the EPPO Global Database (https://gd.eppo.int):

- 1. Click on 'EPPO GD Desktop' in the green menu bar.
- 2. Choose the version you wish to install: FULL or LITE Install package (.exe) or Zip package (.zip).
- 3. Follow the instructions.

Once installed, you will be able to run GD Desktop on your computer without any Internet connection. The date of your current version of the software will be indicated on the first screen. When an Internet connection is available and if a newer version of the software has been released, you will be automatically proposed to update GD Desktop.

The EPPO Secretariat plans to release updates of GD Desktop every 3 months. It should be reminded to all users, that as GD Desktop cannot be updated in real-time, the online version (EPPO Global Database) should be used to obtain the latest information.

Source: EPPO Secretariat (2018-07).

EPPO Global Database. https://gd.eppo.int/

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2018/136 A new EPPO website

The EPPO web site was created in 1998 and has greatly expanded since then. Its design and contents were modified in 2004 and 2008. Recently, the EPPO Secretariat felt that it was time to revise the EPPO website. The objectives of this revision were to propose a modern design, simple navigation, and easy-to-read webpages, as well as to facilitate the maintenance of the website. In particular, as most pest-specific information is now stored in the EPPO Global Database (GD), the contents of the EPPO website has been rationalized to avoid discrepancies between the two websites, and many links have been established between the EPPO website and GD so that users can easily retrieve pest-specific documents. Finally, the new technology that is being used to generate webpages will allow more collaborative work among staff members of the Secretariat under the supervision of the webmaster to ensure consistency.

What's new in the EPPO website:

- A new interface that can be also used on mobile devices (tablets, mobile phones)
- A brief history of EPPO
- Annual reports (current back to 1985)
- Access to the outcome of projects in which EPPO is involved
- A new page dedicated to phytosanitary inspectors of EPPO member countries
- A completely revised description of EPPO's involvement in global activities on plant health
- Updated descriptions of EPPO's activities in the field of plant quarantine, plant protection products and invasive alien plants

Source: EPPO Secretariat (2018-07).

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2018/137 EPPO report on notifications of non-compliance

The EPPO Secretariat has gathered below the notifications of non-compliance for 2018 received since the previous report (EPPO RS 2018/070). Notifications have been sent via Europhyt for the EU countries and Switzerland. The EPPO Secretariat has selected notifications of non-compliance made because of the detection of pests. Other notifications of non-compliance due to prohibited commodities, missing or invalid certificates are not indicated. It must be pointed out that the report is only partial, as many EPPO countries have not yet sent their notifications. When a consignment has been re-exported and the country of origin is unknown, the re-exporting country is indicated in brackets. When the occurrence of a pest in a given country is not known to the EPPO Secretariat, this is indicated by an asterisk (*).

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	Destination	nb
Agromyzidae	Ocimum basilicum	Vegetables (leaves)	Laos	France	1
Anthonomus eugenii	Capsicum frutescens	Vegetables	Dominican Rep.	Netherlands	1
Aphelenchoides besseyi	Oryza sativa	Seeds	USA	Spain	1
Argyrotaenia sphaleropa	Averrhoa carambola	Fruit	Brazil	Portugal	1
Atherigona orientalis	Capsicum annuum	Vegetables	Pakistan	Germany	2
Atherigona orientalis, Helicoverpa armigera	Capsicum annuum	Vegetables	Pakistan	Germany	2
Bactericera cockerelli	Capsicum	Vegetables	Mexico	United Kingdom	2
Bemisia	Eryngium Manihot esculenta	Vegetables (leaves) Vegetables (leaves)	Laos Congo, Dem. Rep. of	France France	2 1
	Solanum melongena Solidago	Vegetables Cut flowers	Mexico Israel	United Kingdom Spain	1 1
Bemisia tabaci	Amaranthus, Solanum Apium graveolens Brassica oleracea var. alboglabra, Piper sarmentosum	Vegetables (leaves) Vegetables Vegetables	Nigeria Thailand Thailand	United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom	1 1 1
	Capsicum annuum Chrysanthemum Corchorus Corchorus Corchorus olitorius Corchorus olitorius Corchorus olitorius Corchorus olitorius Corchorus olitorius Corchorus olitorius Corchorus, Persicaria, Ocimum tenuiflorum Corchorus, Veronica Crossandra infundibuliformis Eryngium Eryngium foetidum	Vegetables Cut flowers Vegetables (leaves) Cuttings Vegetables (leaves) Vegetables (leaves) Vegetables (leaves)	Egypt India India Jordan Laos Egypt Egypt Jordan Nigeria Laos Nigeria Brazil Cambodia Malaysia	United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom Austria United Kingdom Sweden United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom Vetherlands France Netherlands	1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	Destination	nb
B. tabaci (cont.)	Eryngium foetidum, Limnophila aromatica	Vegetables (leaves)	Malaysia	Netherlands	1
	Euphorbia milii	Cuttings	Sri Lanka	Netherlands	1
	Euphorbia pulcherrima	Plants for planting	Germany	United Kingdom	1
	Eustoma	Cut flowers	Tanzania	United Kingdom	1
	Gerrardanthus	Cuttings	USA	Germany	1
	Glechoma	Cuttings	Tanzania	Netherlands	1
	Helianthus	Cut flowers	Israel	Netherlands	1
	Hibiscus	Plants for planting	Netherlands	United Kingdom	3
	Hibiscus	Vegetables (leaves)	Nigeria	United Kingdom	1
	Hibiscus, Ocimum	Vegetables (leaves)	Nigeria	United Kingdom	1
	gratissimum, Telfairia occidentalis, Vernonia	vegetables (leaves)	Nigeria	Officea Ringdom	'
	amygdalina				
	Hibiscus, Solanum	Vegetables (leaves)	Nigeria	United Kingdom	1
	Houttuynia cordata, Persicaria odorata	Vegetables (leaves)	Laos	Netherlands	1
	Ipomoea batatas	Cuttings	Israel	Austria	1
	Ipomoea batatas	Cuttings	Israel	Austria	1
	Limnophila	Vegetables (leaves)	Laos	United Kingdom	1
	Limnophila	Vegetables (leaves)	Vietnam	Netherlands	1
	Limnophila aromatica	Vegetables (leaves)	Malaysia	Netherlands	2
	Lisianthus alatus	Cut flowers	Netherlands	United Kingdom	1
	Lisianthus alatus	Cut flowers	Tanzania	United Kingdom	3
	Mandevilla	Plants for planting	Italy	United Kingdom	1
	Mandevilla	Plants for planting	Netherlands	United Kingdom	1
	Mandevilla sanderi	Plants for planting	Tunisia	France	1
	Mandevilla splendens	Plants for planting	Italy	United Kingdom	1
	Mentha .	Vegetables (leaves)	Israel	Netherlands	1
	Mentha	Vegetables (leaves)	Vietnam	Switzerland	1
	Morinda citrifolia	Fruit	Thailand	Sweden	1
	Nerium oleander	Plants for planting	Spain	United Kingdom	3
	Ocimum	Vegetables (leaves)	İsrael	United Kingdom	2
	Ocimum basilicum	Vegetables (leaves)	Israel	Belgium	1
	Ocimum basilicum	Vegetables (leaves)	Israel	France	1
	Ocimum basilicum	Vegetables (leaves)	Israel	Ireland	2
	Ocimum basilicum	Vegetables (leaves)	Israel	Netherlands	4
	Ocimum basilicum	Vegetables (leaves)	Israel	United Kingdom	2
	Ocimum basilicum	Vegetables (leaves)	Morocco	France	1
	Ocimum basilicum,	Vegetables (leaves)	Malaysia	Netherlands	1
	Ocimum tenuiflorum	3 ()	,		
	Ocimum basilicum, Ocimum tenuiflorum	Vegetables (leaves)	Thailand	Sweden	1
	Ocimum basilicum, Origanum vulgare	Vegetables (leaves)	Israel	Ireland	1
	Ocimum tenuiflorum	Vegetables (leaves)	Malaysia	Netherlands	2
	Origanum vulgare	Vegetables (leaves)	Israeĺ	Ireland	1
	Origanum vulgare	Vegetables (leaves)	Israel	Netherlands	2
	Osteospermum	Cuttings	Costa Rica	Denmark	2
	Perilla frutescens	Vegetables (leaves)	China	Netherlands	1
	Persicaria	Vegetables (leaves)	Laos	United Kingdom	1
	Persicaria	Vegetables (leaves)	Vietnam	United Kingdom	1
	Persicaria odorata	Vegetables (leaves)	Laos	Netherlands	1
	Persicaria odorata	Vegetables (leaves)	Laos	United Kingdom	2
	Piper sarmentosum	Vegetables	Thailand	United Kingdom	1
	Polygonatum odoratum	Vegetables (leaves)	Laos	United Kingdom	1
	Polygonum	Vegetables (leaves)	Vietnam	United Kingdom	1

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	Destination	nb
B. tabaci (cont.)	Rosa Rumex acetosa Solanum melongena Solidago Telfairia occidentalis Trachelium Vernonia amygdalina	Cut flowers Vegetables (leaves) Vegetables Cut flowers Vegetables (leaves) Cut flowers Vegetables (leaves)	India Nigeria Mexico Zambia* Nigeria Israel Nigeria	United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom Netherlands United Kingdom Netherlands United Kingdom	3 1 1 1 3 1 2
Bemisia tabaci, Liriomyza, Tephritidae	Momordica charantia, Ocimum, Persicaria odorata	Vegetables (leaves)	Laos	United Kingdom	1
Bemisia tabaci, Spodoptera	Celosia	Vegetables	Vietnam	United Kingdom	1
Blissus diplopterus	Punica granatum Punica granatum Pyrus	Fruit Fruit Fruit	South Africa South Africa South Africa	United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom	1 3 1
Coccidae, Liriomyza	Schefflera	Cuttings	Costa Rica	Spain	1
Coleoptera	Fungi	Vegetables	Iran	Spain	1
Curculionidae	Capsicum chinense Castanea sativa	Vegetables Fruit	Dominican Rep. China	United Kingdom Spain	1 1
Diabrotica speciosa	Malus domestica	Fruit	Brazil	France	1
Diptera	Cucurbita	Vegetables	Pakistan	United Kingdom	1
Ditylenchus dipsaci	Tulipa	Plants for planting	Chile	Netherlands	1
Drosophila suzukii	Prunus cerasus	Fruit	Lebanon*	France	1
Ephestia kuehniella	Cyperus esculentus Cyperus esculentus Cyperus esculentus Prunus dulcis	Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Fruit	Burkina Faso Mali Togo USA	Spain Spain Spain Spain	1 1 1
Helicoverpa	Capsicum chinense	Vegetables	Dominican Rep.	United Kingdom	1
Helicoverpa armigera	Pisum sativum	Vegetables	Zimbabwe	Ireland	1
Helicoverpa zea	Rosa	Cut flowers	Ecuador	Italy	1
Hirschmanniella caudacrena	Vallisneria	Aquatic plants	Malaysia	Netherlands	11
Lepidoptera	Allium sativum Asparagus officinalis Rosmarinus officinalis, Persea americana, Phaseolus vulgaris, Pisum sativum subsp. arvense, Mentha x piperita, Ocimum basilicum	Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables	Egypt Peru Kenya	Spain Spain Spain	1 2 1
Leucinodes orbonalis	Solanum aethiopicum Solanum aethiopicum	Vegetables Vegetables	Cameroon Cameroon	Belgium France	1 2

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	Destination	nb
L. orbonalis (cont.)	Solanum aethiopicum Solanum aethiopicum Solanum aethiopicum Solanum aethiopicum	Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables	Cameroon Rwanda Togo Togo	Germany Belgium Belgium France	1 1 1 1
Liberibacter solanacearum	Daucus carota	Seeds	Italy	Czech Republic	1
Liriomyza	Allium Amaranthus tricolor Chrysanthemum Chrysanthemum Chrysanthemum Dendranthema Dendranthema Ocimum Ocimum Ocimum basilicum Solidago	Vegetables Vegetables (leaves) Cut flowers Cut flowers Vegetables Cut flowers Cut flowers Vegetables (leaves) Vegetables (leaves) Vegetables (leaves) Cut flowers	Jamaica Vietnam Colombia Ecuador Ecuador Colombia Ecuador Israel Laos Ethiopia	United Kingdom	1 1 3 3 1 2 1 1 1 1 2
Liriomyza huidobrensis	Bupleurum Gypsophila Gypsophila Solidago Solidago	Cut flowers Cut flowers Cut flowers Cut flowers Cut flowers	Tanzania* Ecuador Ecuador Ecuador Ecuador	Netherlands Italy Spain Italy United Kingdom	1 1 1 1
Liriomyza sativae	Apium graveolens	Vegetables	Suriname*	Netherlands	1
Liriomyza trifolii	Allium cepa Apium graveolens Chrysanthemum Dahlia Gypsophila Gypsophila Ocimum Ocimum basilicum Solidago	Vegetables Vegetables Cut flowers Cuttings Cut flowers Cut flowers Vegetables (leaves) Vegetables (leaves) Cut flowers	Mexico Suriname* Colombia Costa Rica Israel Ethiopia Vietnam Laos* Zimbabwe	Ireland Netherlands United Kingdom Denmark Germany Netherlands Switzerland Netherlands Netherlands	1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1
Maconellicoccus hirsutus, Pseudococcus jackbeardsleyi	Annona squamosa	Fruit	Brazil	Portugal	1
Noctuidae	Alstroemeria, Dianthus caryophyllus, Rosa, Centella asiatica	Cut flowers Vegetables (leaves)	Colombia Thailand	Spain United Kingdom	1
Oryzaephilus surinamensis, Trogoderma granarium	Cyperus esculentus	Vegetables	Niger	Spain	1
Phyllosticta citricarpa	Citrus limon	Fruit	Brazil	Spain	1
Phytophthora ramorum	Rhododendron Rhododendron Rhododendron hybrids Rhododendron Repens hybrids	Plants for planting Plants for planting Plants for planting Cut trees	Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands	Estonia United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom	1 2 1 1
Phytoplasma pyri	Pyrus pyraster	Plants for planting	Moldova	Bulgaria	1

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	Destination	nb
Pomacea	Ficus elastica	Plants for planting	China	Netherlands	1
Potato spindle tuber viroid	Capsicum annuum Capsicum annuum, Solanum lycopersicum, Solanum melongena	Seeds Seeds	China China	Germany Germany	2
	Capsicum annuum, Solanum melongena	Seeds	China	Germany	2
Pseudococcidae	Mangifera indica	Fruit	Côte d'Ivoire	Spain	1
Radopholus similis	Philodendron Philodendron Philodendron, Thaumatococcus daniellii	Plants for planting Plants for planting Plants for planting	Costa Rica Ghana Malaysia	Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands	1 1 1
Ralstonia solanacearum	Solanum tuberosum Solanum tuberosum Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes Ware potatoes Ware potatoes	Egypt Egypt Egypt	Czech Republic Italy Romania	2 1 1
Rhagoletis cerasi	Prunus avium	Fruit	Turkey	Austria	1
Sitophilus oryzae	Pisum sativum	Stored products	Bangladesh	Italy	1
Spodoptera eridania	Solanum macrocarpon	Vegetables	Suriname	Netherlands	1
Spodoptera frugiperda	Capsicum Momordica Pisum Rosa Solanum aethiopicum	Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Cut flowers Vegetables	Suriname Mexico Zimbabwe Zimbabwe Mali*	Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands France	1 1 2 1 1
Spodoptera littoralis	Dianthus caryophyllus Ocimum Ocimum basilicum Rosa	Cut flowers Vegetables (leaves) Vegetables (leaves) Cut flowers	Turkey Kenya Kenya Zimbabwe	Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands	1 1 4 2
Spodoptera litura	Ficus elastica, Strelitzia reginae	Plants for planting	China	Netherlands	1
	Ficus thonningii Monstera Ocimum tenuiflorum Oncidium	Plants for planting Plants for planting Vegetables (leaves) Cut flowers	China Thailand Laos Malaysia	Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands	1 1 1
Spondyliaspis	Eucalyptus polyanthemos	Cut flowers	South Africa	Ireland	1
Sternochetus	Mangifera indica	Fruit	Uganda	Italy	1
Synchytrium endobioticum	Solanum tuberosum	Seed potatoes	Denmark	Germany	1
Thaumatotibia leucotreta	Capsicum Capsicum Capsicum Capsicum annuum Capsicum annuum Capsicum annuum	Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables	Rwanda Uganda Mozambique Ghana Rwanda Uganda	United Kingdom United Kingdom Netherlands United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom	2 3 1 1 2 1

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	Destination	nb
T. leucotreta (cont.)	Capsicum chinense Capsicum chinense Citrus reticulata Citrus sinensis Punica granatum Rosa Rosa Rosa Rosa Rosa Rosa Rosa Rosa	Vegetables Vegetables Fruit Fruit Fruit Cut flowers	Kenya Uganda Israel South Africa South Africa Kenya Kenya Tanzania Tanzania Tanzania Uganda Zambia Zimbabwe Kenya	United Kingdom Sweden France Netherlands United Kingdom Netherlands United Kingdom Netherlands Sweden Switzerland Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands Switzerland	1 1 1 2 1 6 1 1 6 1 1 2 1
Thaumetopoea processionea	Rosa, Gypsophila Quercus robur	Cut flowers Plants for planting	Kenya Netherlands	Netherlands United Kingdom	1
Thripidae	Abelmoschus esculentus Luffa acutangula Luffa, Momordica Momordica charantia Solanum melongena Solanum melongena Solanum melongena Solanum melongena var. serpentinum	Vegetables	India Ghana Dominican Rep. Bangladesh Dominican Rep. Bangladesh Dominican Rep. Ghana Dominican Rep.	United Kingdom	1 1 1 1 7 1 1 1
Thrips	Eustoma, Gypsophila, Solidago Momordica Momordica charantia Dendrobium	Cut flowers Vegetables Vegetables Cut flowers	Israel Bangladesh Dominican Rep. Thailand	Cyprus United Kingdom United Kingdom Italy	1 1 1 1
Thrips palmi	Abelmoschus esculentus Dendrobium Lagenaria siceraria Momordica Momordica charantia, Solanum melongena Solanum melongena Solanum melongena Solanum melongena	Vegetables Cut flowers Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables	India Malaysia Bangladesh Dominican Rep. Suriname Dominican Rep. Dominican Rep. Mexico	United Kingdom Netherlands Switzerland Switzerland Netherlands France United Kingdom Netherlands	1 1 1 1 1 1
Thysanoptera	Momordica charantia Momordica charantia Momordica charantia Solanum macrocarpon Solanum melongena Solanum melongena	Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables	Dominican Rep. Mexico Mexico Benin Dominican Rep. Dominican Rep.	France United Kingdom United Kingdom France France United Kingdom	1 1 1 1 1
Tilletia indica	Triticum aestivum Triticum aestivum	Stored products Vegetables	India India	United Kingdom United Kingdom	2 1
Tribolium confusum	Cyperus esculentus	Vegetables	Nigeria	Spain	1

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	Destination	nb
Trioza	Cycas revoluta, Dracaena draco, Howea forsteriana	Plants for planting	Spain (Canary Isl.)	Spain	1
Tuta absoluta	Solanum lycopersicum Solanum lycopersicum Solanum lycopersicum	Vegetables Vegetables Vegetables	Tunisia Tunisia Tunisia	France Germany Netherlands	1 1 4
Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. phaseoli	Phaseolus vulgaris	Seeds	China	Germany	1
Xanthomonas campestris pv. campestris	Citrus hystrix	Fruit	Indonesia	Netherlands	1
Xanthomonas citri subsp. citri	Citrus hystrix Citrus hystrix Citrus maxima	Fruit Fruit Fruit	Indonesia Vietnam China	Switzerland Netherlands Netherlands	2 1 1
Xylella fastidiosa	Rubus fruticosus Rubus idaeus	Plants for planting Plants for planting	USA USA	Spain Spain	1 2
Xylophilus ampelinus	Vitis vinifera	Plants for planting	Italy	Romania	3
Zaprionus indianus	Prunus persica	Fruit	Egypt	Austria	1

• Fruit flies

Pest	Consignment	Country of origin	Destination	nb
Anastrepha	Mangifera Mangifera indica Mangifera indica Mangifera indica Eugenia Mangifera indica	Dominican Rep. Colombia Costa Rica Dominican Rep. Suriname Dominican Rep.	France Netherlands Germany United Kingdom Netherlands Netherlands	1 1 1 1 1
Anastrepha fraterculus	Mangifera indica	Colombia	Portugal	1
Bactrocera	Capsicum Capsicum Capsicum Capsicum Capsicum annuum Mangifera indica Psidium guajava Psidium guajava Trichosanthes dioica Capsicum frutescens Mangifera indica Syzygium	Cambodia Thailand Vietnam Laos India India Vietnam Bangladesh Laos Pakistan Suriname	United Kingdom Switzerland Switzerland Netherlands Sweden Switzerland Switzerland Switzerland Netherlands Netherlands	1 2 5 1 1 1 1 1 1
Bactrocera correcta	Syzygium	Vietnam*	Germany	1
Bactrocera dorsalis	Mangifera indica Mangifera indica Syzygium	Côte d'Ivoire Thailand Sri Lanka	France Austria Switzerland	3 1 1

Pest	Consignment	Country of origin	Destination	nb
Bactrocera latifrons	Capsicum annuum, Coriandrum sativum, Ocimum basilicum, Solanum melongena	Thailand	United Kingdom	1
Ceratitis	Mangifera indica	Côte d'Ivoire	Germany	1
Ceratitis cosyra	Annona muricata	Uganda*	Italy	1
Dacus	Momordica charantia	Uganda	Sweden	2
Tephritidae (non-European)	Averrhoa carambola Benincasa Capsicum Capsicum Capsicum Capsicum Capsicum frutescens Capsicum frutescens Capsicum frutescens Capsicum frutescens Citrus sinensis Citrus sinensis Citrus sinensis Mangifera Mangifera indica Mangife	Malaysia Pakistan Cambodia Laos Malaysia Thailand Malaysia Bangladesh Cambodia Egypt Egypt Egypt Egypt Senegal Burkina Faso Burkina Faso Burkina Faso Cameroon Câte d'Ivoire Côte d'Ivoire Côte d'Ivoire Dominican Rep. Dominican Rep. Dominican Rep. Guinea India Mali Mali Senegal India Ghana Malaysia Lebanon India Togo Suriname Bangladesh Bangladesh	Netherlands United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom Netherlands Italy France Bulgaria Italy Spain France France Germany Netherlands France Italy France United Kingdom Ireland France United Kingdom	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

• Wood

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	Destination	nb
Anobium	Coniferae	Dunnage	India	Spain	1
Anoplophora glabripennis	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	China	Austria	1
Aphelenchoides	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	Belarus	Belgium	1

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	Destination	nb
Aphelenchoides, Arhopalus rusticus	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	Belarus	Lithuania	1
Arhopalus rusticus	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	Vietnam	Lithuania	1
Batocera lineolata	Unspecified	Wood packaging material	China	Germany	1
Bursaphelenchus mucronatus	Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet) Wood packaging material Wood packaging material (pallet)	Belarus Belarus Belarus Belarus Russia Russia Ukraine	Belgium Germany Germany Lithuania Netherlands Germany Lithuania Lithuania	1 1 3 3 2 1 1 1
Bursaphelenchus mucronatus, Seinura	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	Belarus	Germany	1
Cerambycidae larvae, bore holes > 3 mm	Larix	Wood and bark	Russia	Austria	1
Cerambycidae	Betula pendula, Pinus sylvestris Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified	Wood and bark Dunnage Wood packaging material (pallet) Wood packaging material	Russia China Honduras Vietnam	Romania Germany Denmark Switzerland	1 1 1
Lyctus africanus	Unspecified	Wood packaging material	India	Germany	1
Minthea rugicollis	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (crate)	India	Germany	1
Monochamus alternatus	Unspecified	Wood packaging material	China	Denmark	1
Rhabditis	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	Belarus	Lithuania	2
Saperda carcharias	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	China	Germany	1
Seinura	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	Belarus	Lithuania	1
Sinoxylon	Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified Unspecified	Wood packaging material Wood packaging material Wood packaging material (pallet) Wood packaging material Wood packaging material	China India India Vietnam India	Germany Germany Germany Germany	1 9 2 1 2
Sinoxylon anale	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	India	Italy	2
Trichoferus campestris	Unspecified	Wood packaging material	China	Germany	1
Tylenchus	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	Belarus	Lithuania	1
Xyleborinus saxeseni	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	China	Austria	1
Xylotrechus	Unspecified	Wood packaging material (pallet)	China	Austria	1

Bonsais

Pest	Consignment	Country of origin	Destination	nb
Dendrolimus spectabilis	Pinus parviflora, Pinus thunbergii	Japan	Germany	1
Helicotylenchus, Meloidogyne incognita, Tylenchorhynchus	Ficus thonningii	China	Czech Republic	1
Pratylenchus vulnus, Scutellonema brachyurus	Taxus cuspidata	Japan	Czech Republic	1

Source: EPPO Secretariat (2018-07).

INTERNET

EUROPHYT. Annual and monthly reports of interceptions of harmful organisms in

imported plants and other objects.

http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/plant_health_biosecurity/europhyt/interceptio

ns/index_en.htm

Additional key words: interceptions

2018/138 First report of Anoplophora chinensis in France

The NPPO of France, recently informed the EPPO Secretariat of the first* report of Anoplophora chinensis (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae - EPPO A2 List) on its territory. On 2018-07-04, adult specimens were caught on Acer negundo trees in a private garden in Royan (Charente-Maritime department). These trees were also showing signs of presence of the pest. The identity of the insect was confirmed by the Anses laboratory in 2018-07-06. All infested trees were destroyed on 2018-07-11. An infested zone (100 m radius) and a buffer zone (2 km radius) have been delimited around the finding site. Intensive surveys will be carried out to determine the extent of the outbreak and investigations will be made to identify the possible source of introduction of A. chinensis. An information leaflet has also been published to encourage members of the public to report the pest.

The pest status of *Anoplophora chinensis* in France is officially declared as: **Transient**, actionable, under eradication.

Source: NPPO of France (2018-07).

INTERNET

Préfet de la Charente-Maritime. Découverte de capricornes asiatiques à Royan : Mise

en place de mesures de surveillance et de lutte. http://www.charente-

maritime.gouv.fr/Actualites/Espace-Presse/Communiques-de-presse/Decouverte-de-capricornes-asiatiques-a-Royan-Mise-en-place-de-mesures-de-surveillance-et-de-

<u>lutte</u>

Fiche d'information phytosanitaire. Capricorne asiatique des agrumes (Anoplophora

chinensis). http://draaf.nouvelle-

aquitaine.agriculture.gouv.fr/IMG/pdf/Plaquette_Anoplophora_chinensis_VF_cle81a

881.pdf

Pictures: Anoplophora chinensis. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/ANOLCN/photos

Additional key words: new record Computer codes: ANOLCN, FR

2018/139 Eradication of the outbreak of *Anoplophora chinensis* in Prato (Toscana, IT)

In June 2014, an outbreak of *Anoplophora chinensis* (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae - EPPO A2 List) was found in 2 adjacent areas (approximately 300 m apart) in the municipality of Prato in Toscana region, Italy. This outbreak concerned 2 *Acer negundo* trees planted in a parking lot and 192 ornamental plants of *A. palmatum dissectum* in a nursery. All infested plants and potential host plants growing within a radius of 100 m around them (888 plants in total) were immediately destroyed. Since 2014, surveys have been carried out within the demarcated areas (infested zone and buffer zone of 2 km radius), including the use of 60 pheromone traps. As no further specimens or signs of presence of the pest have been detected, the NPPO of Italy considered that the pest has been eradicated from the municipality of Prato. Eradication activities are continuing in other areas of Italy where outbreaks of *A. chinensis* have been found (Lombardia, Lazio, Toscana).

The pest status of *Anoplophora chinensis* in Italy is officially declared as: **Present**, **only in** some parts of the Member State concerned, under eradication.

^{*} Later corrected in EPPO RS 2018/187: the first record of *A. chinensis* in France was made in 2003 in Soyons (Ardèche department), and this outbreak was then successfully eradicated.

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Source: NPPO of Italy (2018-07).

Pictures: Anoplophora chinensis. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/ANOLCN/photos

Additional key words: eradication, detailed record Computer codes: ANOLCN, IT

2018/140 Isolated finding of Bursaphelenchus xylophilus in Castilla y Léon (Spain)

The NPPO of Spain recently informed the EPPO Secretariat that Bursaphelenchus xylophilus (EPPO A2 List) has been detected in a single *Pinus pinaster* tree growing in a forest area in the municipality of Lagunilla (Salamanca province, Castilla y Léon). On 2018-04-25, samples were taken from this forest area from several trees showing decline symptoms which had been detected during helicopter flights carried out in March and April 2018. The nematode was detected in one *P. pinaster* tree (height of 10-15 m - trunk diameter of 25-30 cm) showing symptoms of discoloration at the tree top. The presence of Cerambycidae and Buprestidae was also observed. A sample of wood chips (150 g) was taken from the tree trunk using a drill with an auger of 20 mm diameter. In June 2018, the identity of the nematode was determined by the Regional Laboratory using morphological and molecular tests, and these results were confirmed in July 2018 by the National Reference Laboratory on Nematodes. In accordance with Decision 2012/535/EC, the affected tree was immediately destroyed, and a demarcated area of 20 km radius was delimited around the infested tree site. A surveillance programme of all susceptible host plants is ongoing with different degrees of intensity (0-100 m, 100-500 m, 500-3 000m, 3 000-20 000 m) around the infested tree site. Destruction of trees will be carried out within a radius of 100 m around the infested tree site at a later date in the season (in October, if it rains) to minimize the risk of attracting insect vectors and spreading the disease, as well as avoiding fire hazards (the site is located in a rocky area with high summer temperatures).

The pest status of *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* in Spain is officially declared as: **Present**, only in some parts of the Member State concerned, under eradication.

Source: NPPO of Spain (2018-07).

Pictures: Bursaphelenchus xylophilus. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/BURSXY/photos

Additional key words: detailed record Computer codes: BURSXY, ES

2018/141 Eradication of the isolated infestation of Xylella fastidiosa in Germany

In Germany, an isolated infestation of X. fastidiosa (EPPO A1 List) was detected in July 2016 in a potted plant of Nerium oleander showing unusual symptoms. This single plant was in a small glasshouse of a nursery producing young vegetables and ornamental plants in Saxony. Laboratory analysis confirmed the presence of X. fastidiosa subsp. fastidiosa in this symptomatic oleander plant (EPPO RS 2016/133). Eradication measures were immediately taken. From July to December 2016, all potential host plants located within a radius of 100 m around the infested zone were destroyed (all EU specified host plants were sampled and tested but X. fastidiosa was not detected). In the infested zone, all plants present in the nursery were investigated. As a result, further individual plants (Rosmarinus, Streptocarpus hybrid, Erysimum hybrid) were found to be infested. As a precautionary measure, all plants in the concerned nursery were destroyed in February 2017. During the 2017 vegetation period (June to September), visual inspections were carried across the whole delimited area (buffer zone of 1 km radius + an outer buffer zone of 10 km radius around the infested area) and 706 plant samples were collected and tested. As a result, X. fastidiosa was not detected. In addition, 294 potential insect vectors were caught and tested for the presence of the bacterium, and similarly all results were negative. As no further detections of the bacterium were made during surveys conducted in the glasshouse concerned and its surroundings, this isolated infestation was officially declared eradicated in March 2018.

The pest status of *Xylella fastidiosa* in Germany is officially declared as: **Absent**, **pest eradicated**.

Source: NPPO of Germany (2018-03).

Pictures: Xylella fastidiosa. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/XYLEFA/photos

Additional key words: absence, eradication Computer codes: XYLEFA, DE

2018/142 Pseudomonas syringae pv. aesculi found in Styria (Austria)

In Austria, *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *aesculi* (formerly EPPO Alert List) was detected for the first time in Styria (Steiermark) in June 2018. The bacterium was found in 5 chestnut trees (*Aesculus x carnea*) in a garden in the municipality of Fohnsdorf. These trees had been planted in April 2017 and originated from another EU Member State. As all trees have been destroyed, it is assumed that *P. syringae* pv. *aesculi* has been eradicated from Styria. The NPPO recalls that this bacterium occurs at low prevalence in Vienna, Lower Austria (Niederösterreich) and Burgenland. Concerning Vienna, the NPPO also explained that the pathogen was first detected in 2014 on young trees (*Aesculus x carnea*) in an outdoor dining garden. All infected trees (14 trees) were destroyed. However, *P. syringae* pv. *aesculi* was detected again in 2016 in chestnut (*A. hippocastanum*) trees along an avenue, and eradication measures were taken (10 trees were destroyed).

The pest status of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *aesculi* in Austria is officially declared as: Present, only in some parts of the Member State concerned, at low prevalence.

Source: NPPO of Austria (2018-06, 2018-07).

Additional key words: detailed record Computer codes: PSDMAX, AT

2018/143 Eradication of 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi' from the United Kingdom

In the United Kingdom, 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi' (EPPO A1 List*) was first found in January 2014 in *Ulmus* plants deriving from 10 mother plants which had been imported from Italy in 2010/2011 (EPPO RS 2014/089). Eradication measures were taken, and all infected trees and their progeny were destroyed. Annual surveys have been carried out since 2014 and as no further outbreaks have been detected, the NPPO of the United Kingdom now considers that 'Ca. P. ulmi' has been successfully eradicated.

The situation of 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi' in the United Kingdom can be described as follows: Absent, pest eradicated.

Source: NPPO of the United Kingdom (2017-10).

Pictures: 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi'. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/PHYPUL/photos

Additional key words: absence, eradication Computer codes: PHYPUL, GB

2018/144 First report of 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi' in Belgium

In Belgium, 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi' (EPPO A1 List*) was first found in May 2018 in a single *Ulmus* tree in the Botanic Garden of Meise, near Brussels. This finding was made during survey activities carried out in the framework of a scientific research project supported by the Belgian NPPO. The identity of the pathogen was confirmed by molecular tests (PCR, sequencing). At the time of sampling, the elm tree was still dormant and without any leaves. In May, it was still asymptomatic. Further investigations did not detect 'Ca. P. ulmi' in other plants. The NPPO decided not to destroy this single and asymptomatic tree but further monitoring is ongoing to establish the status of 'Ca. P. ulmi' in Belgium.

The pest status of 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi' in Belgium is officially declared as: Present, only in some parts of the Member State concerned.

Source: NPPO of Belgium (2018-06).

Pictures: 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi'. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/PHYPUL/photos

Additional key words: new record Computer codes: PHYPUL, BE

^{*} Note: Although phytoplasma diseases observed in elms in North America (elm phloem necrosis) and in several European countries (elm yellows) have different symptomatologies, the phytoplasmas associated with them are very closely related if not belonging to the same species 'Ca. Phytoplasma ulmi'. Therefore, the inclusion of this pathogen on the A1 List (absent from the EPPO region) might need to be reconsidered

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2018/145 First report of 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi' in Poland

In Poland, 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi' (EPPO A1 List*) was first found April 2018 in the municipality of Racibórz, Śląskie voivodeship (Silesia). The phytoplasma was detected during official surveys on 10 symptomless elm (Ulmus minor) trees. Its identity was confirmed by molecular tests (PCRs, RFLP). Official phytosanitary measures will be taken to eradicate 'Ca. P. ulmi'.

The pest status of 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi' in Poland is officially declared as: Transient, actionable, under eradication.

Source: NPPO of Poland (2018-04).

Pictures: 'Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi'. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/PHYPUL/photos

Additional key words: new record Computer codes: PHYPUL, PL

2018/146 First report of Neonectria neomacrospora in Finland

The NPPO of Finland recently informed the EPPO Secretariat of the first report of *Neonectria neomacrospora* (EPPO Alert List) on its territory. The pathogen was found in old trees of *Abies concolor* in the Mustila arboretum near Elimäki, Southern Finland. In March 2018, *N. neomacrospora* was identified (PCR, sequencing) by a research institute in these old trees that had been showing symptoms since the 1980s. Symptoms were particularly visible in the upper tree crown. These trees have been growing in the arboretum for a hundred years, and their origin is unknown. It is noted that most of the *A. concolor* trees had died since the 1980s. All remaining *A. concolor* trees (1 old infected tree and smaller infected trees, in total approximately 20 trees) will be cut down during summer 2018 by the owner of the arboretum (unofficial measures).

The pest status of Neonectria neomacrospora in Finland is officially declared as: Present.

Source: NPPO of Finland (2018-06).

Pictures: Neonectria neomacrospora. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/NECTMA/photos

Additional key words: new record Computer codes: NECTMA, FI

^{*} Note: Although phytoplasma diseases observed in elms in North America (elm phloem necrosis) and in several European countries (elm yellows) have different symptomatologies, the phytoplasmas associated with them are very closely related if not belonging to the same species 'Ca. Phytoplasma ulmi'. Therefore, the inclusion of this pathogen on the A1 List (absent from the EPPO region) might need to be reconsidered

2018/147 Cost-effective cutting of Ambrosia artemisiifolia along roadsides

Ambrosia artemisiifolia (Asteraceae: EPPO List of Invasive Alien Plants) is commonly found along roadsides throughout Europe. These habitats aid seed dispersal along a linear corridor. Native to North America, A. artemisiifolia is now widespread across the EPPO region where its impacts include reduced yields in cereals and other field crops (for example sunflower). It can reduce fodder quality of meadows and pastures and can taint dairy products if cattle feed on it. In addition, its pollen can be strongly allergenic to humans (hay fever) and can cause dermatitis on contact with skin. To determine the cost-effectiveness of mowing regimes with varying frequency, population models were constructed where data on population parameters were included from four unmanaged populations across Europe and these data were integrated into the model along with the effects of four experimental mowing regimes along Austrian roadsides. The four experimental mowing regimes (plus an untreated control) were conducted over a five-year period at six locations in 2009 and varied in the cut timing (last week of June where vegetative growth was cut; last week of July - coinciding with peak male flowering; 3rd week of August - before peak female flowering, and 2nd week of September before seed ripening) and frequency (i.e. mowing regimes were combined). In addition, seed burial experiments were conducted to obtain seed survival rates, and again these data were included in the population models. All cutting regimes reduced population growth rates compared to the unmanaged controls. Cutting during vegetative growth (June) and just before seed ripening (September) was the least effective method for reducing population growth rates. The efficacy of the two best cutting regimes was mainly due to cutting just before female flowering (August) as this decreased final adult plant height and reduced the final number of seeds produced. When mowing treatment costs were included into the model, the most effective low-cost treatment is a single cut before female flowering, however, if a budget for two cuts is available cutting before female flowering and before seed ripening was more cost effective than the one cut.

Source: Lommen STE, Jongejans E, Leitsch-Vitalos M, Tokarska-Guzik B, Zalai M, Müller-

Schärer H, Karrer G (2018) Time to cut: population models reveal how to mow invasive

common ragweed cost-effectively. NeoBiota 39, 53-78.

Pictures: Ambrosia artemisiifolia. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/AMBEL/photos

Additional key words: invasive alien plants Computer codes: AMBEL, AT

2018/148 Competition between Lemna minuta, Lemna minor and Azolla filiculoides

Alien aquatic plant species can have negative impacts on native plant species and higher trophic levels, as well as the habitats they invade, for example ponds, streams, rivers and wetlands. Such species can alter ecosystem processes and have negative impacts on the ecosystem services that aquatic habitats provide. Lemna minuta (Lemnoideae) is a non-native species to the EPPO region and often occurs in the same habitat to that of the native Lemna minor and the invasive North America aquatic plant Azolla filiculoides (Azolloideae). The presence, abundance and growth rates of all three species were monitored in 24 natural ponds in Ireland. The field monitoring showed that the distribution of all three species was relatively uniform across the study sites and their occurrences were not associated with nutrient or light levels. In a controlled experiment, mesocosms were established that contained either one of each species or a mixture of the species allowing all possible combinations. When L. minuta and L. minor were grown in the presence of A. filiculoides the relative growth rate of the Lemnaceae species was reduced. When the two Lemnaceae were grown together both species had lower relative growth rates compared to when they were grown apart. In the study area

A. filiculoides is relatively rare and thus the study suggests that the invasiveness of the species is not always reflected under natural conditions. The study concludes that several factors determine the abundance and heterogenous distribution of the three species and these include growth under winter conditions and dispersal following disturbance.

Source: Paolacci S, Jansen MAK, Harrison S (2018) Competition between Lemna minuta, Lemna

minor, and Azolla filiculoides. Growing fast or being steadfast. Frontiers in Chemistry

6, DOI: 10.3389/fchem/2018.00207.

Pictures: Azolla filiculoides. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/AZOFI/photos

Additional key words: invasive alien plants Computer codes: AZOFI, LEMMT, LEMMI, IE

2018/149 Citizen science as a tool for recording the alien tree species Ailanthus altissima

Ailanthus altissima (Simaroubaceae: EPPO List of Invasive Alien Plants) is a tree species native to Asia and invasive within the EPPO region. The species can outcompete native plant species and negatively impact ecosystem processes. In Croatia A. altissima is established throughout the country especially in coastal regions and it is spreading within urban areas and protected sites. Invasive tree species are often more conspicuous than other invasive alien plants, or other invasive pests and therefore they make a good case study for citizen science monitoring and recording. Citizen scientists were recruited via personal contacts, social networks, emails or telephone calls and to be accepted they had to be willing to undertake surveys through hiking, biking or by car. Each participant was required to attend a half-day training session which included theoretical and practical information related to a freely available app and a smartphone equipped with GPS and a camera. Each citizen was assigned a specific trail or road on which to record the presence and abundance of A. altissima. Due to the high level of infestation of A. altissima in the region, recording individual trees was not appropriate and data was simplified by using polygons. A total of 90.61 km of road and trails were mapped using citizen scientists and included the detection of 20 single plants and 19 multi-plant clusters. A total infested area of 2 610 m² was recorded during the exercise. The study concludes that citizen science can operate over large scales and has many positive effects including raising awareness of the negative impacts of invasive alien plants.

Source: Sladonja B, Poljuha D (2018) Citizen science as in biological recording - A case study

of Ailanthus altissima (Mill.) Swingle, Forests DOI:10.3390/f9010031.

Pictures: Ailanthus altissima. https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/AILAL/photos

Additional key words: invasive alien plants Computer codes: AILAL, HR

2018/150 Evaluating the status of Acacia species in South Africa

For effective management, it is imperative to know the status and extent of the spread of particular invasive alien plants. Australian *Acacia* species have been introduced into South Africa since the early 18th century and as a result the country has the largest diversity of Australian *Acacia* introductions anywhere in the world. Even though this group of species has been managed in South Africa, little is known about species other than those with substantial commercial value. The last detailed inventory of Australian *Acacia* in South Africa was based on data collated 40 years ago where it was estimated that there were 70 Australian *Acacia*

species known to be introduced into South Africa and of these 14 species are considered invasive. The present study aimed to update the inventory in order to create a new list of Australian Acacia species present in the country. Literature sources, student theses and unpublished records documenting these species were reviewed. In addition, local herbarium data were compared with records from the literature. Following this review, field surveys were conducted from a list of introduction sites compiled during the review. During these surveys, samples were taken for molecular analysis when species identification through morphological means was not possible (some of the species are very difficult to identify using morphological methods). During the study, evidence was found on the introduction of 141 Australian Acacia species, which was double the previous estimate but through field surveys and molecular research only the presence of 33 species was confirmed. The authors highlight reasons for the discrepancy between those species recorded as being introduced compared to those species confirmed as still present may include the fact that Acacia species from historic forestry trials were detailed from the literature reviews though none of these species subsequently naturalized. In addition, some species may not have survived at sites of initial introduction due to unfavorable climatic conditions.

Source:

Magona N, Richardson DM, Le Roux JJ, Kritzinger-Klopper S, Wilson JRU (2018) Even well-studied groups of alien species might be poorly inventoried: Australian *Acacia* species in South Africa as a case study, *NeoBiota* **39**, 1-29.

Additional key words: invasive alien plants Computer codes: 1ACAG, ZA

2018/151 First report of Salmiopuntia salmiana (Austrocylindropuntia salmiana) in Spain

Salmiopuntia salmiana (also known as Austrocylindropuntia salmiana) (Cactaceae), is native to South America and has been recorded as an invasive alien plant in South Africa. The current occurrence in Spain is located in Southern Catalonia: Montbrió del Camp, on the left bank of the Riudecanyes. Here the species is established in dry meadows, scrubland and clear pine forests in an area close to 1 hectare. Within the pine forests it occurs in low densities whereas in the other habitats it occurs in dense aggregations in open spaces. The current occurrence of the species is thought to occur as a result of discarded garden waste. However, there are no settlements close to the occurrence nor is the species a popular ornamental plant. The population has the potential to expand further as there is further suitable habitat that can be invaded, and potential corridors that can facilitate spread (roads and water courses) are a few meters from the population.

Source:

Aymerich P (2018) Salmiopuntia salmiana (Cactaceae), a new potentially invasive Cactaceae in the Mediterranean Basin, Butlletí de la Institució Catalana d'Història Natural 82, 67-68.

Additional key words: new record, invasive alien plants

Computer codes: AUQSA, ES