



The International Society for Plant Pathology (ISPP)

Minutes of the 3rd Meeting ISPP Executive Committee (EC) (2013-2018)

August 6 2015 0800 to 1700

Venue: Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens. 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA 91108 USA.

Attendance: ISPP EC 2013-2018; + Betty Ford (ICPP2018 Organizing Committee) (til 11.00 am) and Professor Lise Korsten, Chair Taskforce for Global Food Security (til c 12.30pm). Apologies received from Professor Brenda Wingfield (Secretary General). Agenda and most papers were circulated in compilation prior to meeting with additional papers (Treasurer and Taskforce, suggested speaking topic for ICPP2018 handed out in the meeting). The circulated papers are attached as Annexes linked to items under which they were discussed.

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Summary of Agreed Actions and Motions

Motions agreed and Actions arising from the 3rd meeting of the ISPP Executive 2013-2018 in Pasadena, USA 6 August 2015

Motion 3/1

The meeting accepts the Minutes from the 2nd meeting of the ISPP EC 2013-2018 (held in Minneapolis). Proposed – Tom Evans; Seconded Zamir Punja. Passed unanimously

Motion 3/2:

The ISPP Rules 14 to 18 will be changed as follows (Nominated Greg Johnson Seconded Lodovica Gullino. Carried unanimously.):

- Rule 14:** Congresses shall be held at least once every six years. The venue for each Congress shall be selected by vote of the Council at least five years in advance. The procedure for selection shall be as follows:
- Two years before the Congress, the Secretary-General will request bids from all Member Societies to be considered as a venue for the following Congress (about seven years in advance). Copies of all bids must will be sent to all members of the Council by the ISPP Executive bidding organization by at least 21 nine-months before the Congress.
 - The Secretary-General will send a ballot, with all of the qualified bids represented, to each of the Councilors at least 21 nine months before the Congress and request their vote for one of the venues within two months. The ballots will be counted by

the Secretary-General or Business Manager. In the case where there are only two qualified bids on the ballot, a simple majority will determine the selection. In cases where more than two venues are on the ballot, the venue with at least two-thirds majority will be selected.

- c) If one venue doesn't have two-thirds majority, then the Secretary-General will send out another ballot to each of the Councilors and request that they vote between the two venues having the most votes, and will request their votes be returned within two months. The selection between the two finalist venues will be determined by a simple majority vote.
- d) In the case of a tie, the President shall cast the decisive vote.
- e) Evidence of each Councilor's vote will be kept on file until after the Congress at which the venue of the following Congress is announced.

Rule 15: Congresses shall be open to all persons after payment of Congress fees.

Rule 16: Each Congress shall be organized by a Congress Committee appointed by the Member Society(ies) and or Nominating Body(ies) sponsoring the Congress. The Congress Committee shall consist of a Chair, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and at least six other persons, or be composed in other ways approved by the Council. One Vice-President of the ISPP shall be a member of the Congress Committee with special responsibility for liaison between the Congress Committee and the Executive Committee. The members of the Congress Committee shall be appointed, if possible, within one year two years after the end of the preceding Congress and shall serve until completion of their duties in connection with the Congress for which they are responsible.

Rule 17: The general plan of the Congress shall be submitted to the Executive Committee for approval and shall be sent to the Council members and Committee Chairs for their information.

Rule 18: The Congress Committee appointed by the Member Society(ies) hosting the Congress, not the ISPP, shall be financially responsible for the Congress that it organizes.

Motion 3/3

The Executive accepts the following procedures for the election of the Executive 2018-2023.

Moved Lodovica Gullino **Seconded** Greg Johnson Carried (by email vote August 2015)

The following procedures are agreed for the election of the Executive 2018-2023.

A nomination committee of 7 will be established. Three members will have served on the 2013-2018 Nomination Committee will stand down for the next election as they have served two terms. They are the Europe, East Asia and Middle East representatives. Continuing representatives will be North America (Sally Miller), Africa (Teresa Coutinho) and Australasia (Richard Falloon (who is also an ISPP Past President). Lodovica Gullino as ISPP Immediate Past President will chair the 2018-2023 Nomination Committee and also represent Europe) and ~~so~~ new representatives will be required from the Middle East and Asia.

Before approaching potential reps from Asia and the Middle East it will be necessary to confirm with the current Africa and North America Reps that they are willing to serve again in the next call. If they are unable/unwilling to do so, then the continuing participation of the current Asia and Middle East reps would be sought and new reps from Africa and/or North America would be

sought. As well, additional reps from Asia and the Americas will be sought –so the Asia is represented by 2 members and the Americas are represented by two members.

The reset of the text remains unchanged from that in Agenda discussion paper Attachment 8.

Motion 3/4

The Executive accepts the Reports to 3rd meeting of ISPP EC 2013-2018 under items 2 to 15.

Moved Thomas Evans **Seconded** Serge Savary Carried Unanimously

Actions arising 3rd Meeting of the ISPP Executive 2013-2018 August 6 at Huntington Botanic Gardens, Pasadena USA

Actions 3/1: Actions arising in relation to Subject Matter Committees:

- Special Projects to be deleted.
- Serge Savary to follow up on Genetics and Breeding, Soil Health and Biocontrol of weeds etc
 - to prepare a note to be published on the ISPP newsletter to create a new SMC: Soil Health: Ecology and Management, (need for such an SMC, and for a Chair of this SMC), (Serge to double check my e-mail for reply from James Woodhall);
 - to prepare a similar note for an SMC on Genetic & Breeding for Resistance (need for such an SMC, and for a Chair of this SMC) – Serge also to reconsider need for "Breeding" in the title;
- the "Constraints to Food and Fibre" SMC, to be re-named Crop Loss.
- Greg to continue to liaise on downy mildews, Phytophthora and links to the workshop organized by Gloria Abed.

Action 3/2 Timing for first announcement of ISPP Council Meeting Agenda should be decided and date/time of meeting confirmed in 2016.

Actions 3/3 – Actions in relation to ICPP2018 planning

- Two keynote sessions ideas Global Crop Health assessment (Serge Savary) and Food Safety (Lodovica) will be proposed by the President for inclusion in the ICPP2018 scientific program.
- The President to circulate background documents (Call for Bids ICPP2018, APS bid proposal and covering letter) and to draft a more detailed guide to planning the ICPP2018 scientific program in consultation with VP Thomas Evans.
- Planning timeline should be drafted by end of 2015.

Actions 3/4 Actions in relation to treasurer responsibilities and finance

- Treasurer and Business manager to compete setup on the merchant account and options for making payments through the ISPP website.
- The President and Treasurer will ask Associated societies to pay dues owed and offer the option of paying by the 2% rule or as agreed set fees in years going forward.
- The Treasurer will arrange for the ISPP accounts to be audited for years 2013 and 2014. (A by-law should be added to institutionalize this).
- The Vice President (Tom Evans) will investigate options for establishing an ISPP Foundation.
- The possibility of ISPP taking out public liability insurance (in USA with world-wide coverage) should be investigated.

- The Journal Trust will continue to monitor requirements for outright purchase of the Journal in 2022-2023.
- The ISPP agreed that the Journal should remain at 6 issues per year until after 2023 purchase – this may help enhance impact factor and keep income down.

Actions 3/5– Actions arising from Business manager responsibilities

- Business Manager to arrange purchase of lifetime web-hosting for ISPP
- President to liaise with Business manager to finalize revised Business Manager’s deed of agreement to include agreed operational costs (\$1000), attendance at ISPP Executive meetings as required and support for ISPP Booth at ICPP2018.

Actions 3/6 Actions arising in relation to ISPP Publications (Journal, Books, newsletter) –

- The President will liaise with the Editor in Chief in relation to renewal of his Deed of Agreement initially for a further 3 years
- The Executive agreed that the Journal should remain at 6 issues per year until after 2023 purchase – this may help enhance impact factor and keep income down.
- The President and Past President to continue liaison with Springer to develop publishing agreement for consideration by Executive.

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Action 3/9 Changes to rules and guidelines covering Election of the ISPP Executive and Selection of the venue for ICPP2023 will be posted on the ISPP Website and adopted for the next calls for Executive nominations and selection of ICPP venues.

Actions 3/10 The Executive should liaise with the Taskforce Chair to develop a resolution that responds to and spells out the revised aims/activities of the Taskforce. To facilitate discussion, a summary that incorporates ISPP Workplan 2013-2018 actions with Taskforce proposed actions in 2015 is attached to the 3rd EC minutes as Annex 4.

Action 3/11 After final checking by the Chair of the Commission, the revised selection procedures for the Jakob Eriksson Prize to be posted on the ISPP Website. (Greg. Peter W)

Action 3/12 Dr Savary and Dr Johnson to consider and reply to the Indian Phytopathological Society concerning their conference scheduled for February 2016.

Action 3/13 Decision on the ISPP Executive meeting in 2016 will be made later in 2015 or early in 2016.

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1 Welcome, agreement on agenda

The meeting commenced at 8.15 am with Betty Ford joining at 9.30am and Lise Korsten joining at c. 10 am. The President welcomed Executive members and the meeting agenda as drafted was agreed, noting that items on ICPP2018 planning and Food Security might be brought forward as Ms Ford and Professor Korsten arrived. Additional items for discussion under congress planning were noted – Global Crop Health assessment (Serge Savary) and Food Safety (Lodovica).

2 Minutes of 2nd Meeting ISPPEC 2013-2018 -

The President noted that progress on Actions Arising –(Attachment 1 (c)) from the minutes of the 2nd Executive meeting (8 2014) were in some cases incomplete. Progress would be covered under agenda items with an Actions update completed for the minutes (Minutes Annex 1).

Motion 1

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3 President's Report

President's Report

The EC discussed the President's report, Subject Matter Committee, Associated Societies and agenda for the 2018 ISPP Council meeting as covered in Agenda papers:

- [Attachment 2a](#) (Greg)
- Attachment 2 b - Subject Matter Committees (Serge)
- Attachment 2 c – Associated Societies (Greg/Peter W)
- Attachment 2 d --ISPP Council Meeting at ICPP2018 Draft Agenda

The President indicated that the priorities for the 3rd EC August 2015 were:

- (i) Finances – need to improve the regularity and engagement by Associated Societies and agree on fixed fee structure (Discussed under Treasurer's Report)
- (ii) ICPP2018 –scientific program and key reporting headings ICPP2013 and planning timeline
- (iii) Taskforce – update on 2014-2015 activities
- (iv) SMCs audit/engagement strategy
- (v) Journal and Books – EiC deed renewal; updates and question of broadening the book portfolio with the following ongoing:
- (vi) Developing the broader theme for ISPP more fully reflective of the breadth of the role of plant pathology and plant pathologists in Society – such as Plant Health is Earth's Wealth
- (vii) Changes to Statutes and Rules needed – tweaking some Rules; voting rights of SMC chairs, Editor in Chief etc, attendance at EC meetings

The EC noted issues detailed in the President's report which was provided under the 4 key activities of ISPP.

- (i) *to promote the worldwide development of plant pathology, and the dissemination of knowledge about plant diseases and plant health management.*

Liaison and EC functioning had been somewhat hampered by Secretary's unavailability in 2014-2015. Skype links were less frequent however attendance at APS 2014 and 2015 by most of the EC had helped enhance links with APS and planning for ICPP2018.

The EC noted participation by President in the Asian Conference for Plant Pathology (Chiang Mai 11 2014); Arab Plant Protection Congress (Amman, Jordan 11 2014); 100th anniversary celebration of the Phytopathology Society of Japan (Meiji University, Tokyo 3 2015) and (with Journal EiC)) the launch of special issue of the ISPP Journal Food Security at Australian National University Canberra (Greg) and in Copenhagen (Richard).

- (ii) *The Society sponsors the International Congress of Plant Pathology (ICPP) at regular intervals and other international meetings on plant pathology and closely related subjects.*

The EC noted that most planning for ICPP2013 occurred in the 3 years immediately prior to congress and that this would also occur for planning of ICPP2018 with planning in 2015-2016 especially important. The President will engage closely with ICPP2018 teams in 2015-2018 to help facilitate planning.

- (iii) *The Society establishes committees to consider and report on special fields or problems in plant pathology.*

The EC noted mention of progress with several SMCs by President. Additional discussion is reported under the SMC report.

- Under auspices of the Plant Pathogenic Bacteria SMC and links with the Taxonomy of Plant Pathogenic Bacteria SMC, the 13th International Conference on Plant Pathogenic Bacteria was held in Shanghai on 8-13 June 2014
- Contact with the Downy Mildew working group has been re-initiated –
- Contact with Gloria Abed re Phytophthora, Pythium and allied genera (Serge and Greg to report)
- The Grapevine Trunk Diseases SMC met in Adelaide, Australia in November 2014 – 9th International Workshop on Grapevine Trunk Diseases (9IWGTD)
<http://www.plevin.com.au/iwgttd2014/>
- Postharvest SMC co-organised with ISHS interest group an international workshop in Bari Italy during June 2015 with next workshop proposed for South Africa in 2017.
- ISPP Subject Matter Committee on Seed Pathology is being revived with Theresa. (Terry) Aveling as Chair. http://www.isppweb.org/about_subject_seed_pathology.asp
- Forestry SMC – Forestry SMC is strongly linked to the International Union of Forestry Research Organisations planning next conference for 2019.
- The Chemical Control Committee Chair sent a report.

Taskforce on Global Food Security

The EC noted Taskforce on Global Food Security has also had regular Skype linkups and discussion with Taskforce Chair and Past president re presentation in Italy in October 2015 (As discussed under Taskforce report).

- (iv) *The Society organizes other activities including the publication of journals and newsletters, websites, as approved by the Executive Committee*

EC noted brief comments on publications and website which will be discussed under separate items.

Subject Matter Committees

The Vice President provided a summary of progress of Subject matter Committees with focus on those committees that had not provided reports at ICPP2013 or ICPP2008 or were either newly initiated or apparently inactive.

- Biotic Constraints to Food & Fibre Production - going OK
- Chemical Control – email and report (Minutes Annex 5) from Chair Stenzel

This was first report received from the Chemical Control Committee at least since before 2008 although the Committee is always active in organizing Sessions at ICPP. The Executive also noted supplementary information for the report sent by Committee Member, Dr Tarlochan Thind (India):

Convened Evening Sessions on the theme related to fungicides during ICPP2008 and ICPP2013 as follows :

1. Resistance risk among new fungicides (ICPP2008 , Torino)
2. Prospects and limitations of novel action fungicides (ICPP2013, Beijing)

Experts from various institutes and pesticide industry participated in these evening sessions and presented their latest findings. These were largely attended by the delegates and a good interaction took place in both the sessions.

The Executive noted that at ICPP2013 there were concerns expressed in Council that one session seemed more like an advertisement for a Chemical Company. The Executive agreed that the Chemical Control Committee needed to develop a more diverse membership with broader representation (i.e. outside from Chemical Companies).

- Environmental Effects on Plants – No reply to email
- Epidemiology - Going OK
- Forest Pathology - Going OK
- Fusarium - Going OK
- Genetics and Breeding for Resistance – no reply. An important topic needs to be renewed
- Grapevine Trunk Diseases - Going OK
- Molecular Plant Pathology & Biotechnology
- Phytophthora emails from Gloria Abed – should it be broadened?
- Plant Pathogenic Bacteria - going OK
- Plant Virus Epidemiology - Going OK
- Plant Quarantine and Biosecurity – Going OK
- Plant Pathogens for the Biological Control of Weeds and Invasive Plants no reply needs action
- Postharvest Pathology workshop held in Italy in 2015 going OK
- Rhizoctonia - going OK
- Sclerotinia - Going OK
- Seed Pathology being redeveloped (Terri from SA_
- Soil Borne Diseases to be renamed Soil Health, Ecology and Management and reinitiated via a call in ISPP Newsletter
- Special Projects – to be deleted
- Taxonomy of Plant Pathogenic Bacteria - Going OK
- Teaching- Going OK

Since his return to Canberra 9 August 2015, the President has had had email exchange with chair of the former Plant Names Committee needs to review its status.

Actions 3/1:

Actions arising in relation to Subject Matter Committees:

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- Greg to continue to liaise on downy mildews, Phytophthora and links to the workshop organized by Gloria Abed.

Associated Societies

The Executive noted that numerous societies continue to not pay dues and there was an urgent need to have those who have paid fees in recent years to start paying again. The Executive agreed that the names of non-paying societies would remain confidential.

ISPP Council Meeting at ICPP2018 Draft Agenda

The Executive accepted the proposed Draft Agenda for the ISPP Council Meeting 2018.

Action 3/2

Timing for first announcement of ISPP Council Meeting Agenda should be decided and date/time of meeting confirmed in 2016.

4 Report from the ICPP2018 committee

The President welcomed Ms Betty Forde representing the APS2018 organising committee (along with Thomas Evans ISPP VP).

The EC noted attachments circulated prior to the meeting which were prepared as guide to planning

- Att.3a Draft planning arrangements for ICPP2018 August 6 2015
- Att 3b Scientific program of ICPP 2013 for 2018 planning
- Att. 3c APS documents for ICPP2018 planning
- Att 3d Tentative Organizing Committee Structure for ICPP2018

The President requested that a summary of the discussions together with any additional questions be provided by Betty/Tom for inclusion in the minutes. Tom Evans noted that there were established procedures and responsibilities for planning scientific programs of APS meetings and that the various personnel needed to be involved in planning process. The EC noted and agreed however that the key elements of ICPP needed to be retained as the Boston Congress was 'one-off and regular attendee expectations were for a meeting substantially the same as previous Congresses. The President indicated that he would prepare more detailed ICPP scientific program planning guidelines and liaise with the various APS personnel in coming months to ensure broad ownership – especially for the APS President for 2017-2018 (2015-2016 VP, Mary E. Palm) and Amy Charkowski, Director of the APS Annual Meetings Board.

At this point, Ms Betty Ford Left the meeting.

In discussion ideas for two keynote sessions were proposed – Global Crop Health assessment (Serge Savary) and Food Safety (Lodovica). It was agreed that these would be proposed by the President for inclusion in ICPP2018

Subsequent to the EC meeting the following documents will be circulated (Call for Bids ICPP2018, APS bid proposal and covering letter) which will be consulted as planning progresses.

Actions 3/3 – Actions in relation to ICPp2018 planning

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- Planning timeline should be drafted by end of 2015.

5 Secretary's Report

The Secretary conveyed her apologies with issues covered by President on her behalf. The EC noted that the duties of the Secretary will be especially important during 2015-2018 and that the President would discuss with Professor Wingfield her ongoing role in the position.

Item 14 Taskforce on Global Food Security, was brought forward as the Chair had to go to the airport early.

6 Treasurer's Report and ISPP Business Plan

The Treasurer spoke to the statement of income and expenditure (Actual to 2014 and anticipated to 2018. It was noted that some projections might be over optimistic while some income and expenditures (highlighted) seem to be projections rather than actuals and needed to be adjusted. The tax filing statements for past years could be used to adjust data. (Details excluded from web published minutes)

7 Business Manager Report

The EC discussed issues raised in the business Manager Report and agreed that ISPP should take advantage of the opportunity to purchase life-time web-hosting by Storm Internet in return for a one-off payment.

The Executive commended the Business Manager's ongoing support for the society and endorsed proposed changes to the Business Manager Deed of Agreement

The Executive noted that APS had stopped billing the ISPP for services in relation to World Directory hosting as this responsibility had been assumed by ISPP.

Actions 3/5– Actions arising from Business manager responsibilities

- Business Manager to arrange purchase of lifetime web-hosting for ISPP

- President to liaise with Business manager to finalize revised Business Manager's deed of agreement to include agreed operational costs (\$1000), attendance at ISPP Executive meetings as required and support for ISPP Booth at ICPP2018.

8 ISPP Publications Reports

8 (a) Journal Report

- The Executive considered journal reports (Attachment 6a (i) (Richard S) and (ii) and (iii) Zuzana (reports and income statements 2012)) supplemented by discussions between the President, Past President and Ms Bernhart at the APS meeting.

Editor in Chief Report. The Executive commended the work of the Journal Editor in Chief and his colleagues in the ongoing development of the journal as well as the EiC's ongoing involvement in the Taskforce for Global Food Security.

The Executive noted that the Journal impact factor had gone down for the second year while the 5-year impact factor was higher. It was noted that this reflected the high citation of one paper from the first issue (Definition of Food Security by Per Pinstrup-Andersen) of Volume 1 in 2009 and that more highly cited papers were needed to maintain and build the citation index.

The Executive noted the large throughput of papers and the high rejection rate.

The Executive noted the EiC's comments about the breadth of coverage of the journal and the need for a large Editorial Board and considered that perhaps there was a confusion between and Editorial Board and regular reviewers of papers. The Treasurer who is also the Editor in Chief of Canadian Plant Pathology suggested that an editorial board of about 12 was more desirable. The Executive agreed that the desirability of moving over to on-line subscriptions only for Editorial Board Members should be canvassed and that the President would liaise with Ms Bernhart on variations to the publishing agreement to specify a maximum number of Editorial Board members.

The Executive noted the appointment of Anna Herforth as a Senior Editor of the Journal replacing Derek Headley.

The Executive expressed appreciation for the work of the Editor in Chief and his willingness to continue as Editor in Chief for an additional period. It was agreed that the President negotiate a 3-year term for the EiC with consideration of the appointment of an additional Deputy EiC (or Senior Editor) with a strong Plant Pathology background who might be suitable as a future Editor in Chief of the Journal. The President should liaise closely with the EiC on this to identify a person with strong links as well to the ISPP.

Publisher's reports. The Executive noted the usual high standard and detail of reports provided by Springer. They noted that Journal income for 2013 was €20,759.51 and for 2014 was €19,440.56 – slightly down in Euro but significantly down in US dollars for 2014.

During discussion under this item, the Taskforce Chair left the meeting to catch her plane.

8 (b) ISPP Books from ICPP2008 and ICPP2013 (

The President reported on discussions with Zuzana Bernhart and the Past President and Past President that the Society might broaden endorsement or commissioning of Books in the ISPP/Springer Series Plant Pathology in the 21st Century. It was agreed that the series could expand and that in addition

short reports could also be produced as separate 'briefs'. Prof Gullino indicated that there were already a couple of possible topics and that the series expansion might also be of interest to Subject Matter Committees /workshops. Zuzana Bernhart agreed to prepare a draft agreement and noted that the Society would need to look at the

Aims and scope of the series would need to be redrafted (text below on web also needs updating to at least 2014¹):

The International Society for Plant Pathology (ISPP; www.isppweb.org) is a world federation of societies nurturing knowledge exchange relating to plant diseases and plant medicine. International Congresses of Plant Pathology have been held at 5 yearly intervals for almost 40 years, as key events for ISPP. The 9th International Congress of Plant Pathology (ICPP 2008; www.icpp2008.org), to be held in Torino, August 24-29, 2008, will continue this well-established tradition.. The organizing Committee of ICPP 2008 has developed a comprehensive programme of keynote and concurrent sessions with an impressive list of presenters to address the full range of contemporary plant pathology issues and topics. An agreement with Springer has allowed development of a plan to publish a Book Series, derived from the invited lectures at ICPP2008. These publications will catalogue the latest international knowledge and advances in plant pathology and plant medicine.

There have been seven books in series so far.

The expanded series will involve:

- commissioning additional books between congresses (such as from SMC workshops)
- commissioning books based on a topic or idea from individuals
- Accepting some of the ideas/proposals received by Zuzana as possible additions to the series.

8 (c) Newsletter Report

The Executive considered and commended Newsletter report. The EC noted that the New Newsletter Editor had taken up the role with enthusiasm and was willing to continue. The EC noted that the Newsletter Editor, the Secretary General, Business Manager and President would meet in Freemantle Western Australia in September 2015.

Actions 3/6 Actions arising in relation to ISPP Publications (Journal, Books, newsletter) –

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9 ISPP Programme Priorities and Strategic Plan

The President referred to the- Appendix to President's Report (Att 2 (a) (revisit – via summary of key points) and indicated that the ISPP and Executive were reasonably on-track under workplan. During 2015-16 he would prepare a review of progress for consideration by the Executive.

¹ (i) *Detection and Diagnostics of Plant Pathogens* Series: Plant Pathology in the 21st Century, Vol. 5 Gullino, Maria Lodovica, Bonants, Peter J. M. (Eds.) 2014

(ii) *Global Perspectives on the Health of Seeds and Plant Propagation Material* Series: Plant Pathology in the 21st Century, Vol. 6 Gullino, Maria Lodovica, Munkvold, Gary (Eds.) 2014

(iii) *Post-harvest Pathology* Series Plant Pathology in the 21st Century, Contributions to the 10th International Congress, ICPP 2013, Vol. 7 Prusky, Dov, Gullino, Maria Lodovica (Eds.) 2014

10 ISPP administration (Brenda/Zamir /Peter W)

The President noted that a formal mechanism covering Notice of Motion for ISPP Statutes and Rules should be sent to Council and EC by email at least one month before Council as well as a change to allow voting in Council by ISPP Secretariat (Editor in Chief, Newsletter Editor, Chair Taskforce, Business Manager)

1st EC Action 4/6 It was noted that any Notice of Motion for ISPP Statutes and Rules should be sent to Council and EC by email at least one month before Council is requested to vote on amendments. While notice was given as required, a formal mechanism /procedure needs to be drafted. In future, Council Business should perhaps also be mentioned in ISPP Newsletter items. (Greg, Brenda, Peter)

Action 3/7 Draft a formal mechanism or procedure to cover Notices of Motion for ISPP Statutes and Rules being sent to Council and EC by email at least one month before the Council is requested to vote on the amendments.

11 Election of 2018-2023 ISPP Executive

Agenda item 11 (EC Election procedures) was considered after discussion of Agenda item 12 (ICPP2023 venue) future Executive agendas will reflect this changed order.

The Executive considered the procedures for election of the ISPP Executive 2018-2023 as contained in the Agenda paper Attachment 8. The Executive agreed with proposed timelines but agreed that membership of the Nomination committee should be increased to 7 through the inclusion of 2 representatives from Asia and two from the Americas:

Action 3/8 The President, in liaison with the Past President, will draft modified text for endorsement by the EC. The revised text will stipulate an increase in membership of the Executive Nomination committee from 5 to 7. This will allow the inclusion of 2 representatives from Asia and two from the Americas (as motion 3/3)

Subsequent to 3rd EC Meeting the following text was modified and sent to EC members for endorsement as Motion 3/3:

Motion 3/3

The Executive accepts the following procedures for the election of the Executive 2018-2023.

Moved Lodovica Gullino **Seconded** Greg Johnson Carried (by email vote August 2015)

A nomination committee of 7 will be established. Three members will have served on the 2013-2018 Nomination Committee will stand down for the next election as they have served two terms. They are the Europe, East Asia and Middle East representatives. Continuing representatives will be North America (Sally Miller), Africa (Teresa Coutinho) and Australasia (Richard Falloon (who is also an ISPP Past President). Lodovica Gullino as ISPP Immediate Past President will chair the 2018-2023 Nomination Committee and also represent Europe) and so new representatives will be required from the Middle East and Asia.

Before approaching potential reps from Asia and the Middle East it will be necessary to confirm with the current Africa and North America Reps that they are willing to serve again in the next call. If they are unable/unwilling to do so, then the continuing participation of the current Asia and Middle East reps would be sought and new reps from Africa and/or North America would be sought. As well.

additional reps from Asia and the Americas will be sought –so the Asia is represented by 2 members and the Americas are represented by two members.

The reset of the text remains unchanged from that in Agenda discussion paper Attachment 8.

12 Formalities for selection of venue for ICPP2023

The Executive considered the proposed approach for selection of venue for ICPP2023 (modified from that used for ICPP2018).

The following changes were **reviewed** and **accepted** (Motion to effect changes agreed by email on August 17 2015 after 3rd EC): The changes now need to be approved by Council.

Motion 3/2

The ISPP Rules 14 to 18 will be **changed** as follows (**Nominated** Greg Johnson **Seconded** Lodovica Gullino. Carried unanimously.):

- Rule 14:** Congresses shall be held at least once every six years. The venue for each Congress shall be selected by vote of the Council at least five years in advance. The procedure for selection shall be as follows:
- a) Two years before the Congress, the Secretary-General will request bids from all Member Societies to be considered as a venue for the following Congress (about seven years in advance). Copies of all bids ~~must~~ **will** be sent to all members of the Council by the **ISPP Executive** ~~bidding organization~~ by at least **21 nine months** before the Congress.
 - b) The Secretary-General will send a ballot, with all of the qualified bids represented, to each of the Councilors at least **21 nine months** before the Congress and request their vote for one of the venues within two months. The ballots will be counted by the Secretary-General **or Business Manager**. In the case where there are only two qualified bids on the ballot, a simple majority will determine the selection. In cases where more than two venues are on the ballot, the venue with at least two-thirds majority will be selected.
 - c) If one venue doesn't have two-thirds majority, then the Secretary-General will send out another ballot to each of the Councilors and request that they vote between the two venues having the most votes, and will request their votes be returned within two months. The selection between the two finalist venues will be determined by a simple majority vote.
 - d) In the case of a tie, the President shall cast the decisive vote.
 - e) Evidence of each Councilor's vote will be kept on file until after the Congress at which the venue of the following Congress is announced.
- Rule 15:** Congresses shall be open to all persons after payment of Congress fees.
- Rule 16:** Each Congress shall be organized by a Congress Committee appointed by the Member Society(ies) and or Nominating Body(ies) sponsoring the Congress. The Congress Committee shall consist of a Chair, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and at least six other persons, or be composed in other ways approved by the Council. One Vice-President of the ISPP shall be a member of the Congress Committee with special responsibility for liaison between the Congress Committee and the Executive Committee. **The members of the Congress Committee shall be appointed, if possible, within one year two**

years after the end of the preceding Congress and shall serve until completion of their duties in connection with the Congress for which they are responsible.

Rule 17: The general plan of the Congress shall be submitted to the Executive Committee for approval and shall be sent to the Council members and Committee Chairs for their information.

Rule 18: The Congress Committee appointed by the Member Society(ies) hosting the Congress, not the ISPP, shall be financially responsible for the Congress that it organizes.

The Executive considered that the role played by the ISPP Executive and Subject Matter Committees needed to be more explicit to make it clear that their involvement was mandatory rather than optional. The following shows changes agreed and text modified based on the 6 August 2015 Discussion (3rd EC)

Steps proposed for ICPP2023 bidding will be in line with ISPP Statutes and the modified Rules of Procedure (Above) and follow those for ICPP2018, but with a slightly earlier timeline (and about 5 months in advance of rule minimum deadline) to allow for slightly earlier processes for Election of Executive 2018-2023

- (1) By 31st March 2016, a notice (see below) will be placed on the ISPP Website (with a bidding deadline of 31 August, 2016) and a message sent to Council via ISPP List Server.
- (2) The call will be simultaneously advertised in the April 2016 ISPP Newsletter.
- (3) Additional information (see following) will be sent to those who have expressed interest in hosting the Congress.
- (4) Background material on the Boston, Beijing and Turin Bids for ICPP will be collated and copies sent to ISPP Business Manager for distribution.
- (5) To date, enquiries /expressions of interest for ICPP2023 have been received from the Netherlands Society of Plant Pathology.
- (6) ISPP also regularly receives solicitations from Conference venues touting for business. It is recommended that in replying the Congress venue representative should be informed that consideration of city or country X as a venue is really a matter for the ISPP Associated Society in their country or region when they hear of the next invitation to bid and that the ISPP does not post calls for bids to Conference venue representatives.

Rules 14 to 18 reviewed deleted + agreed changes (Motion 2 3rd EC)

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CALL for bids to host the 12th International Congress of Plant Pathology, 2023

Associated Societies of ISPP are invited to present bids to host the 12th International Congress of Plant Pathology in 2023.

Bids are invited by **31 August 2016**. They should be sent to the Business Manager of ISPP, with c.c. to the Secretary ISPP, as e-mail attachments and/or Web addresses.

Peter Williamson
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Selection among bids is made by ballot of ISPP Councillors, representing Associated Societies **and ISPP, later in 2016**.

The Business Manager can provide further guidance on the presentation of bids. Bids should meet the following criteria:

- 1) Bids must come from an ISPP Associated Society (national or regional) or combination of societies and not from a city or ~~national~~ convention/**conference** bureau. On the other hand, the society or societies making a bid should consider working with a local convention bureau to help identify and advertise the unique features of their country that will interest the delegates.
- 2) The financial obligations of hosting an International Congress of Plant Pathology are the responsibility of the host society (or societies). ISPP does not underwrite the financing of the Congress.
- 3) In **close** consultation with the ISPP Executive Committee, the society (or societies)

hosting the Congress is responsible for organizing the program and therefore must be sufficiently large to provide leadership in the major sections of plant pathology. The program of a past Congress ~~should~~ may be consulted as a guide. ~~Some help can be expected~~ After consultation with the ISPP Executive, inputs from ISPP Subject Matter Committees and organizers (as well as the Taskforce for Global Food Security) should be sought ~~are strongly advised to seek their inputs~~. The theme of the congress should be reflective of the broad coverage of the science of plant pathology (i.e. not just focused on food security but also covering forests, natural ecosystem protection etc).

In consultation with the ISPP Executive, the format of previous Congresses should be followed. Previous Congresses have included oral presentations of Keynote, evening workshops and 7-10 Concurrent Session Papers, and poster presentations of Offered Papers. The potential Congress venue should provide up-to-date facilities for these requirements both types of presentations.

4) The site (city and hotels/campus) should normally be able to accommodate more than 2000 delegates and provide meeting rooms for around 7-10 concurrent sessions, as well as numerous small meeting rooms. The site should preferably offer a variety of amenities with a range of costs. Ideally, a university campus should be near to provide low-cost accommodations for those unable to afford more expensive hotels and meals.

5) The host city must be easily accessible by international airlines and offer a variety of cultural and tourist attractions. One day of the Congress may be scheduled for tours of local attractions.

6) Consideration should be given to strategies for enabling attendance of delegates from developing countries.

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Bidding for the 12th International Congress of Plant Pathology, 2023

This advisory document should be read in conjunction with the document "Call for bids to host the 12th International Congress of Plant Pathology, 2023", which is attached as <CALL for bids ICPP2023>.

Additional points to consider

The last four Congresses (ICPP 1998, ICPP 2003, ICPP2008 and ICPP2013), and the next to be held in Boston USA in 2018, have several aspects in common, and bidding societies are urged to consider these points in preparing their bid.

The successful bid will be selected by a vote of ISPP Councillors, representing the Associated Societies of ISPP. Among the issues they are likely to consider are: (i) the technical aspects of the bid and the appeal of its presentation, (ii) the capability and experience of the host society for organising a good Congress, (iii) the anticipated costs of attendance, (iv) support for and visa access for delegates from developing countries and (v) other (tourist) attractions in visiting the country or destination proposed.

By tradition the Congress is scheduled in the month of August (This co-incides with Summer holidays in North America and Europe)

Congress Committee

Under ISPP Rules of Procedure the Congress is organized by a Congress Committee, one of whose members is appointed as a Vice-President of ISPP and has special responsibility for liaison between the Congress Committee and ISPP Executive Council. The general plan of the Congress is to be developed in close consultation with the ISPP President and submitted to ISPP's Executive Committee for approval.

A range of groups and committees are usually convened (see the Beijing ICPP 2013 brochure and Boston ICPP2018 brochures and website for examples) to co-ordinate local and international planning of the Congress.

Finances

Under ISPP Rules of Procedure the Congress Committee, not the ISPP, is financially responsible for the Congress.

Sample budgets of past Congresses are available to provide potential bidders with an idea of the types of items and costs that need to be included in the budget. The organisers should budget to cover all costs, and this is likely to require significant income from sponsorship. A Bursary Fund is normally sponsored, to assist attendance from developing countries. Organisers may wish are required to insure against liabilities associated with organising the event. Organisers should generally expect invited speakers to cover their own costs since selection as one of 200 + invited speakers is in itself an honor. They might also expect or arrange that at least some keynote and plenary speakers contribute to their costs of attendance. The participation of developing country invitees as keynote or plenary speakers is particularly encouraged and may require full financial support from the Congress or sponsors.

The Congress will be required to cover participation of the Jakob Eriksson Medal awardee (fares, accommodation, registration) and the Glenn Anderson Lecturer (Registration) and provide complementary registration and booths in the Congress Trade display area for the ISPP and the publisher of the ISPP Journal, Springer.

Scientific Program

The scientific program should ideally reflect the breadth of international progress in applied and basic plant pathology. After consultation with the ISPP Executive, inputs from ISPP Subject Matter Committees and organizers (as well as the Taskforce for Global Food Security) should be sought, (with complementary involvement of the organizing Society's own nominees/subject specialists). Some help can be expected from ISPP Subject Matter Committees and organizers are strongly advised to seek their inputs. The ISPP Executive will also advise closely in the planning and selection stages of the Scientific Program Committee, to ensure that the Committee and program are reflective of the diversity of membership and interests of ISPP Associated Societies. The Congress is an opportunity for an international audience to hear presentations from global specialists, and it is important that the program distinguish itself from the meetings of regional or national societies through diversity in choice of speakers and topics.

In recent Congresses, Subject Matter Committees have also played a significant role in devising programs of technical sessions and workshops. It is also especially appropriate to involve scientists from the developing world in development of the program.

Publication of Congress Abstracts in a special issue of the Societies Journal might be appropriate (As was the case for ICPP2008 and ICPP2013)

The ISPP Executive and the Editor in Chief of the ISPP journal, *Food Security*, should be consulted in relation to opportunities to publish plenary session papers in the ISPP journal.

Special sessions

A feature of recent Congresses has been a public session organized by the ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security on a theme related to plant pathology and global food security. This Session includes the Glenn Anderson Lecture. The Glen Anderson Lecture is published by the lecture sponsors, the Canadian Phytopathological Society.

Provision also needs to be made for the presentation ceremony for the Jakob Eriksson Prize (see Appendix) and Oration.

ISPP will also provide some support for the participation of the Glenn Anderson Lecturer² and the Eriksson Prize recipient.

Provision should also be made for the following ISPP meetings during the Congress:

- a General Assembly (the order of 2000 persons) (constituted by opening and closing ceremonies and plenary sessions)
- a Council (the order of 100-200 persons)
- a meeting of the Taskforce for Food Security
- several Executive Committee (EC) sessions (about 10 persons each)
- Editorial Board meeting for the ISPP Journal, Food Security
- Complimentary display booths for ISPP and for Springer, the publisher of the ISPP journal, *Food Security* (and including other booth benefits such as complimentary registrations, staff access, standard furniture).

For the functions of these meetings, see the ISPP website at http://www.isppweb.org/about_objectives_statutes.asp.

Concurrence with national or regional conferences It may be appropriate for the host society to hold their regular national or regional conference concurrently with the Congress.

Abstracts of presentations Ideally these should be prepared in a form that can initially accessed from an ICPP2023 site, and later accessed (in PDF) from the ISPP website.

Associated Workshops The Subject Matter Committees of ISPP, and other groups, may want to organise evening workshops or pre- or post-Congress meetings. The Congress Committee should facilitate the evening meetings through provision of meeting rooms over two evenings, co-ordinating scheduling, and ensuring that organisers meet deadlines. An additional registration has usually been charged for pre- and post-congress meetings, but not evening meetings.

Social Program and Technical tours A program of social activities including a welcoming reception and congress dinner should be included in the program. Organisers may also want to include a range of technical and sight-seeing tours is pre-or post-congress activities.

Cost of registration Every effort should be made to contain the costs of registration, with special consideration given to students and participants from developing countries. The latter could also be supported through the Bursary Fund (see above).

Congress venue The venue (or venues) should include a hall large enough to host the opening session of around 2000 delegates and other plenary sessions, with easy access to other venues for con-current sessions and workshops.

Accommodation A range of options should be provided from 4 or 5 star hotel, to budget hotel, to university dormitory **within walking distance** of the Congress venue or via shuttle bus or taxi.

Support for developing country participants Host societies should consider strategies to boost attendance from developing, including the Bursary Fund mentioned above.

ISPP support ISPP may be able to provide limited start-up funding.

The Congress Committee member who is a Vice-President of ISPP should ensure good liaison with ISPP throughout the planning of the Congress.

² At ICPP2013 the costs of the Glen Anderson lecture were shared by the Canadian Phytopathology Society, ISPP and the ICPP organisers. The Glenn Anderson Lecture was first given at joint meetings of the Canadian Phytopathological Society (CPS) and American Phytopathological Society (APS) in honour of Robert Glenn Anderson, the eminent Canadian agricultural scientist, who played a major role in the green revolution. The lecture series, on the security of world food supply, was approved by CPS and APS in 1986, and an endowment fund was then established by the CPS. More recently, the Lecture has been given at some International Congresses of Plant Pathology (ICPP1998 to 2013).

Use of Congress surplus There is currently no stipulation on how the host society should use any surplus that may accrue from the Congress. The British and Australasian societies (hosts of ICPP 1998 and ICPP 2003) used a portion of their surplus to support the following Congress and to establish a bursary fund to support attendance of their members at future Congresses.

Host society bids should also indicate that, in addition to repaying any funds advanced by ISPP, a portion of any surplus be returned to ISPP for activities that benefit all member societies and/or promote international plant pathology. It is recommended that the ISPP should receive \$30,000 + 10% of any additional net surplus within 6 months of the end of the congress (These funds are used by ISPP to help defray costs associated with planning and liaison on subsequent congresses)

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Action 3/9 Changes to rules and guidelines covering Election of the ISPP Executive and Selection of the venue for ICPP2023 will be posted on the ISPP Website and adopted for the next calls for Executive nominations and selection of ICPP venues.

13 World Directory of Plant Pathologists

During the meeting with APS ahead of the second EC meeting (8 2014) Greg Johnson raised with President of APS (Ric Bennett) and Executive VP (Amy) the issue of APS still charging for services in relation to the World Directory that are now being covered by ISPP. EC will discuss and update on any progress in resolving this issue.

14 Taskforce on Global Food Security

The Executive considered the report of the Taskforce on Global Food Security and other documents (Records of TF meetings) as circulated and handed out at the meeting, together with a verbal report by the Taskforce Chair (Professor Lise Korsten) (Minutes Annex 3 a and b).

The Executive noted the key points in the report, some of which were covered by Prof Korsten in her verbal report:

- *“The aim of the ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security is to foster linkages between plant pathology and key food security challenges, to promote understanding of the issues and to facilitate action to sustain global food security”.*
- TF Members aspire to a balanced program including both action-based projects and institutional linkages.
- The TF serves as a platform for information exchange, for example through the Food Security Journal, and through knowledge bases, position papers, think tanks and conferences.
- Members supported a range of topics proposed for the next action-oriented project³, with an emphasis on raising awareness of plant disease and on mitigation of post-harvest losses.

³ The Minutes of the ISPP Executive (2008-2013) 3rd and 4th meetings noted: “The Executive agreed that the success of the two projects had created a good track-record and that the Task Force on Global Food Security now needed to capitalize upon

- Members recognized that progress towards the aim of the TF will require funds that should be raised by the TF.

Priority areas for action:

1. Compile a Knowledge Base for food security in terms of current (1) Initiatives; (2) Funding Sources; (3) Conferences; (4) Think Tanks. (Action: Lise Korsten)
2. Follow up action with Clayton Hollier regarding a proposed submission to Food Security based on the 2014 Hollier/Teng presentations at the ICPP Symposium on “Food Security: Role of Plant Pathology”. Consider a special section around this topic. (Action: Richard Strange)
3. Develop a list of key Think Tanks. Propose who should represent TF on them. (Action: Lise Korsten)
4. Identify authors for Position Papers on topics such as: GM, Pesticides, Phytosanitary Measures. (Action: Peter Scott)
5. Assess Royal Society-DFID Africa Capacity Building Initiative as source of funds for TF activities. (Action: Lise Korsten)
6. Plan, with Lodovica Gullino, a programme for the October Torino session on Food Security (Action: Lise Korsten)
7. Prepare for a meeting of Food Security Senior Editors. (Action: Richard Strange.)
8. Explore, with Etienne Duveiller, opportunities for TF activities within the Borlaug Fellowship Program. (Action: Peter Scott)
9. Draft a call for proposals for a project in targeted awareness building, guided by the TF Challenge Project in South Africa. Use this as a basis for focused fundraising. (Action: Lise Korsten, Peter Scott)
10. Maintain contact with ISPP Executive Committee. (Action: Lise Korsten)

Other possible actions arising from recent discussions with ISPP Executive:

11. Consider organizing a Symposium on TF priorities along the lines of that recently convened by ISPP’s Postharvest Pathology Subject-Matter Committee:
<http://www.isppweb.org/nljul15.asp#3>
12. Consider raising funds for a high-level Conference on the impact of plant diseases in food security.

In making the verbal report, Prof Korsten also highlighted some of the meetings and activities at the APS meeting in 2014 and 2015 in Discussions with the ISPP president-, in particular the current interest and involvement of APS as outlined in the session on Phytobiome-Plant Interactions: Bridging Phytobiome Structure and Function (which is available [on line](#))

The EC also noted the comment in record of January 2015 Meeting of the TF: *The TF should work to ensure that there is an embedded plant pathologist at the table in key policy-making and decision-making bodies for food security, whether in person or more affordably by telecommunication. The TF should aim to be represented in think tanks with an interest in food security.*

The limited time available did not provide opportunity for detailed consideration of the reports and proposed Actions for the Taskforce. It was agreed that the documents and actions should be considered by the Executive as a priority to provide ISPP Executive endorsement of ISPP Taskforce Activities. In doing so the Executive notes that the priority actions as outline still represent a significant outlay of time and personnel and the Taskforce should continue to work to streamline and catalyse inputs as are realistically feasible within existing resources and personnel inputs.

in seeking support (and mentoring) from other sources to fund future projects. ISPP funds should be focused on other activities in support of the Society’s key objectives. The Executive again confirmed this view (28/8/13) and the Secretary noted that one of the two issues raised by Council at ICPP2008 was that scarce funds of ISPP should not be used for funding additional challenge projects

Actions 3/10 The Executive should liaise with the Taskforce Chair to develop a resolution that responds to and spells out the revised aims/activities of the Taskforce. To facilitate discussion, a summary that incorporates ISPP Workplan 2013-2018 actions with Taskforce proposed actions in 2015 is attached to the 3rd EC minutes as Annex 4.

15 Jakob Eriksson Prize

The Executive considered the verbal summary and detailed reports for the Jakob Eriksson Prize as outlined in Agenda Attachments 11 and 11 b and the summary in Minutes of ISPP EC 2008-2013 4th Meeting + update by Greg Johnson (Greg/Brenda).

The Executive accepted the revised selection process for the Jakob Eriksson Prize selection and award as summarized in the minutes of this Executive Meeting. The procedures as accepted by the Executive are as outlined here:

Selection process for the Jakob Eriksson Prize 2015

In the years leading up to a Congress, the Executive of the ISPP (with the call advertised through the ISPP newsletter and the website) in consultation with the Prize Commission will call for nominations of candidates of distinction in research in mycology, in plant pathology, or in virus diseases, or of a particular publication or other seminal achievements in such subjects, with the understanding that the work being recognized *is of a distinct international value and merit*.

The following two rules apply to those making nominations:

- (i) Nominators must provide a curriculum vitae and a short statement (500 words) justifying the selection of nominees; and
- (ii) Names of all nominees must be strictly confidential.

All nominations are to be sent to the Chair of the Prize Commission, (currently, Associate Professor Mauritz Ramstedt, Department of Forest Mycology and Plant Pathology SLU, Box 7026, SE-750 07 Uppsala, Sweden. phone: cellphone: +46 (0)70 494 3010; e-mail: Mauritz.Ramstedt@mail.com). Should it be required, the ISPP Business Manager or other ISPP nominee will be able to assist the Chair in this process.

Following the call for, and receipt of the nominations (call at least 24 months before, close of nominations at least 18 months before the Congress) the Chair and members of the Commission will liaise as necessary in order to make a recommendation to the ISPP on the award of the Prize. Normally, the Committee of Experts considering the nominations will also be the members of the Prize Commission with additional expertise invited by the Commission Chair to join the Committee should individual Commission members be unavailable.

Selection

- (i) The Jakob Eriksson Prize Commission, in consultation with the Executive of ISPP, will independently undertake the selection processes to enable a recommendation of the Jakob Eriksson Prize recipient at least one year before each International Congress of Plant Pathology.
- (ii) The Chair of the Commission will advise the ISPP President of the Commission's recommendation, and after appropriate deliberation, the President of the ISPP will invite the successful nominee to accept the award.

The Prize Ceremony

- (iii) The participation of the Jakob Eriksson Prize recipient in the International Congress of Plant Pathology will be facilitated by the Royal Swedish Academy of Science, the ISPP and the Congress Organisers. Normally this will include complementary Congress registration and attendance at Congress social functions, return economy travel to the Congress and accommodation and meals for the duration of the Congress.
- (iv) The Prize Ceremony will be planned by the ISPP in consultation with the Prize recipient, the Commission Chair, the Congress Organisers, and a representative of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences or the Government of Sweden.
- (v) As part of the Prize Ceremony, the Prize recipient will also be invited to briefly present their work at the Congress as *The Jakob Eriksson Oration* with scope and coverage in a style suitable for a more general audience.

The Medal and Certificate and benefits to Recipient

- (vi) The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences will ~~continue to~~ provide the Jakob Eriksson gold medal, together with a suitable certificate, and should funds permit, additional support towards participation by the recipient in the Presentation ceremony using the investment returns of the fund that was dedicated to the Jakob Eriksson Prize for Plant Pathology in the 1930s. (From 2018 the medal will be changed from solid gold to gold coated silver.)
- (vii) Due to high costs it is not possible to change the wording on future medals. However on the Certificate the wording will be changed from "*Investigator formarum specialium fungorum clarissimus*" to "*Investigator formarum pathologiae plantarum clarissimus*".

Action 3/11 After final checking by the Chair of the Commission, the revised selection procedures for the Jakob Eriksson Prize to be posted on the ISPP Website. (Greg. Peter W)

Note In the process of checking the minutes draft with Commission Chair, Mauritz Ramstedt, some additional rules were added. Draft Text for public posting is attached as Annex 6. The key changes were the addition of two more rules to the nomination process:

The following ~~two~~ rules apply to those making nominations:

- (i) Nominators must provide a curriculum vitae and a short statement (500 words) justifying the selection of nominees; and
- (ii) Names of all nominees must be strictly confidential.
- (iii) **Individuals cannot nominate themselves,**
- (iv) **No correspondence concerning unsuccessful nominations will be entered into.**

and changing contact details for the Eriksson Commission Chair from specific mail and contacts for Mauritz Ramstedt to a generic email address

Motion 3/4

The Executive accepts the Reports to 3rd meeting of ISPP EC 2013-2018 under items 2 to 15.

Moved Thomas Evans **Seconded** Serge Savary Carried Unanimously

16 Asian Association for Societies for Plant Pathology and Arab Plant Protection Congress

The Executive noted the following events:

Past Events

Arab Plant Protection Congress Amman, Jordan 2014

5th Asian Conference for Plant Pathology Chiang Mai Thailand November 2014;

Future Events

6th ACCP Republic of Korea on Jeju in 4-7 September 2017. ACCP 2017 is expected to attract 1,000 pathologists from about 30 countries

17 International Association of Plant Protection Societies

The International Plant Protection Congress, IPPC 2015 will be held in Berlin, Germany during August 2015. The ISPP Immediate Past President will attend.

18 Any other business

International Conference of Plant Pathogenic Bacteria

Dr Leena Tripathi at the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture, Kampala, Uganda (L.Tripathi@cgiar.org), indicated the PPB Committee the 14th ICPPB would be in 2019 to avoid a clash with ICPP2018.

Indian Phytopathological Society

Indian Phytopathological Society

The Executive briefly discussed the invitation from Dr Pratibha Sharma, Secretary of the Indian Phytopathological Society (IPS; Email: ipsdis@yahoo.com; Website: www.ipsdis.org) regarding co-sponsorship by ISPP and participation. The President noted that he had informed the IPS that ISPP could not be a co-sponsor but that the Conference could be held under the auspices of the ISPP and the IPS could include the ISPP logo on the publicity material. Serge Savary would consider whether he might seek support from the IPS to participate in the conference to be held in February 2016.

Action 3/12 Dr Savary and Dr Johnson to consider and reply to the Indian Phytopathological Society concerning their conference scheduled for February 2016.

19 Venue/timing of ISPP2013-2018 future Executive Committee Meetings

Meetings that are on in 2013-2018

- APPC Perth Australia, September 2015 – Greg, Brenda and Peter Williamson will be attending
- IPPC Germany – Berlin 24-28 August 2015 (Lodovica) <http://www.ippc2015.de/>
- 125 Anniversary of the KNPV (Dutch Society) in April 2016 (Greg Johnson will attend)
- Boston 2017
- APPC Brisbane Australia, late September 2017
- ICPP 2018

Action 3/13 Decision on the ISPP Executive meeting in 2016 will be made later in 2015 or early in 2016.

Annex 1 Summary of progress. Actions arising from ISPP Executive 2013-2018 2nd Meeting at Minneapolis USA 8 2014

- Action 1 Vice President Savary, President and Business Manager to followup with SMCs as appropriate. Serge sent email to SMCs soon after 2014 meeting. Ongoing. Contact from Terry in Sth Africa re extension SMC. In progress (need to check with Terry)
- Greg Has had contact with Downy Mildew SMC and with Gloria Abad re a Ooymcete SMC. Serge and Greg met with Gloria at APS 4 Aug 2015
- Action 2 The EC agreed that Dr Savary should continue to develop the Millennium Plant Health Assessment idea for further discussion by EC. Serge proposes plenary for ICPP2018 as output
- Action 3 It was agreed that the minutes and papers of the 2013 ISPP Council Meeting would be sent to Council members and placed on an accessible part of the ISPP Website. To be completed by 30 9 2015
- Action 4 The Treasurer and the Food Security Journal Trust will continue to assess options and requirements for purchase of the Journal. Ongoing
- Action. 5 The President in consultation with the Treasurer would draft a letter to be sent to Associated Societies to gauge support for the proposed change. Societies would also be contacted individually to explain the proposed change. Carried over to 3rd meeting
- Action 6 The President to convey EC thanks to the Business Manager and to renegotiate and finalize Business Manager Deed of Agreement. Not yet complete – carried over
- Action. 7 The President to thank Dr Scott for his submission and to indicate that the Editor-in-Chief would remain a position within the Secretariat who would participate in Executive meetings as required. Action complete
- Action 8 The President to convey the Executive views to Ms Bernhart and the EIC, and to continue to progress the issues raised. Ongoing in 8 2015 Greg and Lodovica met with Zuzana
- Action 9 The President and Past President to discuss options for varying and expanding the ISPP Book Series with Springer. Greg and Lodovica met with Zuzana 5 August 2015 and reported to EC 6 8 2015
- Action 10 The President in liaison with EC to progress appointment of a replacement editor for the ISPP newsletter. Action completed – Daniel Huberli appointed 12 2015
- Action 11 President and Secretary General to draft appropriate changes for a formal mechanism /procedure for Notice of Motions for changes to ISPP Statutes and Rules. Carried over to 3rd EC.
- Action 12 The Immediate Past President to contact
- (i) Selection committee members from Americas (Miller), Oceania (Falloon) and Africa (Coutinho) to confirm they are willing to continue as members of the selection committee for 2018-2023. If they agree, she will then contact
 - (ii) Past Committee members from Europe and Middle East to thank them for their participation in previous two selection committees. Carried over and revised at 3rd EC.
- Action 13 The revised guidelines to be edited and appropriate text to be placed on ISPP website (Greg/Brenda/PeterW). Carried over and revised from 3rd EC.
- Action 14 Membership of Congress committee for ICPP2023 to be finalized by August 2015. Action complete
- Action 15 xxxx (Lise to draft)
- Action 16 President to followup for reply. Dr Tripathi has since confirmed that the ICPPB will be held in 2019. Date change confirmed action complete.

Annex 2 Revised budget

Not for publication

Annex 3 (a) ISPP taskforce on Global Food Security Outline Plan of Action: 2015/2016

DRAFT 22 July 2015

ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security

Paper for ISPP Executive Committee, Pasadena, 6 August 2015

OUTLINE PLAN OF ACTION: 2015/2016

Background

Members of the Task Force (TF) are listed at http://www.isppweb.org/foodsecurity_tf.asp:

Fen Beed, Eric Craswell, Etienne Duveiller, Gebisa Ejeta, Richard Falloon, David Grzywacz, Maria Lodovica Gullino, Sarah Gurr, Lise Korsten (Chair), Jill Lenné, Chris Mundt, Jean Ristaino, Serge Savary, Peter Scott, Richard Strange, Wenhua Tang, Paul Teng, Jennifer Thomson, Stephen Waddington.

Members met by Skype Call on 3 December 2014, chaired by Lise Korsten: see attachment <Task Force Skype Call Record 3 Dec 2014.docx>.

- Members confirmed that *“The aim of the ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security is to foster linkages between plant pathology and key food security challenges, to promote understanding of the issues and to facilitate action to sustain global food security”*.
- Members determined to achieve a balanced programme including both **action-based projects** and **institutional linkages**.
- Members supported the role of the TF as a platform for information exchange, for example through the *Food Security* journal, and through knowledge bases, position papers, think tanks and conferences.
- Members supported a range of topics proposed for the next action-oriented project, with an emphasis on raising awareness of plant disease and on mitigation of post-harvest losses.
- Members recognized that progress towards the aim of the TF will require funds to be raised.

Proposals for action

Lise Korsten, Richard Strange and Peter Scott met informally by Skype Call on 3 February 2015 and identified priority areas for action arising from the TF meeting of 3 December 2014:

- Compile a Knowledge Base for food security in terms of current (1) Initiatives; (2) Funding Sources; (3) Conferences; (4) Think Tanks.
Action: Lise Korsten.
- Maintain contact with Clayton Hollier regarding a proposed submission to *Food Security* based on 2014 Hollier/Teng Symposium on “Food Security: Role of Plant Pathology”. Consider a special section around this topic.
Action: Richard Strange.
- Develop a list of key Think Tanks. Propose who should represent TF on them.
Action: Lise Korsten.
- Identify authors for Position Papers on: GM, Pesticides, Phytosanitary Measures.
Action: Peter Scott.
- Assess Royal Society-DFID Africa Capacity Building Initiative as source of funds for TF activities.
Action: Lise Korsten.
- Plan, with Lodovica Gullino, a programme for October Torino session of [EXPO Milano 2015](#).
Action: Lise Korsten. ** [see below]
- Prepare for a meeting of *Food Security* Senior Editors.
Action: Richard Strange.

- Explore, with Etienne Duveiller, opportunities for TF activities within the Borlaug Fellowship Program.
Action: Peter Scott.
- Draft a call for proposals for a project in targeted awareness building, guided by the TF Challenge Project in South Africa. Use this as a basis for focused fundraising.
Action: Lise Korsten, Peter Scott.
- Maintain contact with ISPP Executive Committee.
Action: Lise Korsten.

Other possible actions arising from recent discussions with ISPP Executive:

- Consider organizing a Symposium on TF priorities along the lines of that recently convened by ISPP's Postharvest Pathology Subject-Matter Committee:
<http://www.isppweb.org/nljul15.asp#3>
- Consider raising funds for a high-level Conference on plant diseases and food security.

This document to be tabled at ISPP Executive Committee, Pasadena, 6 August 2015, as the proposed Outline Plan of Action for the Task Force in 2015/2016.

Lise Korsten, Chair, ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security
22 July 2015

** ISPP will support Lise's participation in the October Torino session of [EXPO Milano 2015](#), for which she has prepared an abstract of a presentation (below).

Global food systems; equalising trade for sustainable production

Lise Korsten, Department of Plant Sciences, Institute for Food Nutrition and Well-Being, University of Pretoria South Africa, 27-12-420 3295, lise.korsten@up.ac.za

“Think globally but act locally”^[1] is the key to regional competitiveness and innovation for more sustainable and inclusive development. How can acting locally be sustainable when global food systems have grown in complexity and technicality, and now require multidisciplinary innovative approaches to solve the challenges associated with agro-ecology. A more recent response to acting locally is ‘Food sovereignty’ which has emerged from growing perceptions that the global food system is unjust, unsustainable and increasingly detached from the very poor and marginalised people of the world. The paper will consider how to foster and respect the ideals of ‘food sovereignty’ while encouraging the most efficient production and distribution of food for the most desperate who often live in the marginal environments or the midst of civil conflicts. It will detail three of the most challenging aspects of global trade and emerging economies will be addressed, which will be based on diverging systems in regulation and control focusing on pesticide residue levels, mycotoxin contamination, food safety systems and phytosanitary barriers to trade.

Annex 3 (b) ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security Records of Task Force Skype Call

ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security Record of Task Force Skype Call, 3 December 2014, 12:00 GMT

Participants:

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Etienne Duveiller, CIMMYT, Delhi, India. GMT+5.30
Sarah Gurr, University of Exeter, UK. GMT+0
Clayton Hollier, Louisiana State University, USA. GMT-6
Lise Korsten (Chair), University of Pretoria, Republic of South Africa. GMT+2
Chris Mundt, Oregon State University, USA. GMT-8
Jean Ristaino, North Carolina State University, USA. GMT-5
Peter Scott, ISPP, Oxford, UK. GMT+0
Richard Strange, University College London, UK. GMT+0
Paul Teng, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. GMT+8

Apologies:

Gebisa Ejeta, Purdue University, USA.
Richard Falloon, National Centre for Advanced Bio-Protection Technologies, Christchurch, New Zealand
David Grzywacz, Natural Resources Institute, University of Greenwich, UK
Maria Lodovica Gullino, Università degli Studi di Torino, Italy
Jill Lenné, Turiff, Aberdeenshire, UK
Serge Savary, INRA, Toulouse, France
Wenhua Tang, China Agricultural University, Beijing, China
Jennifer Thomson, University of Cape Town, Republic of South Africa.
Stephen Waddington, Cuernavaca, Mexico

Documents circulated beforehand or presented at the meeting:

- Agenda for Skype Call 3 December 2014
- Record of Task Force Skype Call meeting of 28 March 2014
 - as submitted to ISPP Executive Committee, including new Task Force pages on ISPPWeb, and Proposed New Task Force Vision and Objectives
- Record of Task Force Skype Call meeting of 24 July 2014
 - with proposal to refine New Vision and Objectives in discussion with a strengthened Task Force membership
- Notes from Peter Scott
- Comments from Stephen Waddington and Serge Savary (unable to participate in this Skype Call)
- Background documents and tables with information from Lise Korsten

Welcoming

Lise Korsten welcomed members of the ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security (TF) to the meeting, referring to this international call as a historic moment. She identified the primary objective of the meeting as being to seek opinions on the proposed new TF Vision and Objectives, as requested by ISPP Executive Council, and to select topics for future projects. She recalled the proposed summary aim of the TF as: *The aim of the ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security is to foster linkages between plant pathology and key food*

security challenges, to promote understanding of the issues and to facilitate action to sustain global food security.

Review of the objectives of the Task Force

Among many contributions from participants were these (not listed here in any particular order):

- We should be guided by Norman Borlaug's challenge to the TF as plant pathologists to DO something that may make a difference, even a small one, to global food security.
- Within the guidelines of ISPP's purposes ("... dissemination of knowledge about ... plant health management"), the TF has managed two small, successful "Challenge" projects: (1) Showing farmers in Ghana that plant diseases matter to them; (2) Informing the public in South Africa that plant diseases threaten food supply. The TF should secure funds for a further competitive Challenge project, in the spirit of Norman Borlaug's original challenge and of his endorsement of the Challenge Programme.
- Suggested topics for a project of this kind arose throughout the meeting. They included:
 - Raising awareness, in a fresh context, of the practical significance of plant disease for food security.
 - Improved management of post-harvest losses.
 - Development of improved phytosanitary tools to promote trade in food commodities.
 - Genetic resources and disease management.
 - Other focused subtopics to be developed from within the following broader candidate topics (which had been circulated previously):
 - The right to food.
 - Climate-smart agriculture.
 - Genetic resources and seed sovereignty.
 - Soil management.
 - Water management.
 - Natural resources and environmental management.
 - Efficient production and markets.
- The TF should become a unifying centre for initiatives to raise public and political awareness of the challenge of plant disease in limiting food security.
- The TF should coordinate a global knowledge platform of resources relevant to its aims, e.g.: (1) institutions with a focus on food security; (2) relevant sources of funding; (3) meetings covering relevant topics. Lise Korsten had prepared a starter file for each of these [to be circulated separately].
- These coordinating roles should be pursued both locally and globally, on a realistically targeted basis.
- Recognizing that there are numerous initiatives in food security throughout the world, opportunities should be taken to form appropriate linkages with them, while also finding a distinctive niche appropriate to the TF with its limited resources and its focus on plant disease.

- The TF will need to find a balance between doing affordable projects of its own and being a participant representing plant pathology in larger initiatives.
- Recognizing the need for this balance, the TF should continue to sponsor at least some smaller, action-oriented projects of its own (initially, just one) – in line with Norman Borlaug’s original challenge to ISPP.
- The TF should work to ensure that there is an embedded plant pathologist at the table in key policy-making and decision-making bodies for food security, whether in person or more affordably by telecommunication. The TF should aim to be represented in think tanks with an interest in food security.
- The TF should continue to promote training and mentoring of plant pathologists from developing countries.
- In these and other contexts, applicants to the Borlaug Fellowship Program could be sponsored, at an appropriate level. The TF should commission Position Papers, perhaps analogous to IFPRI Policy Briefs, on plant pathological topics with high significance for food security. These could include any of the proposed topic areas, and issues such as plant pathological success stories, emerging threats, resource problems and disease events with high impact value.
- The TF should take advantage of the tendency for public awareness of an issue to be acute when its impact is locally felt: for South Africa, citrus blackspot, coffee rust, and the anticipated global shortage of cocoa, were examples.
- The choice of topics for TF projects should be made with fundraising in mind, and also in the expectation that the endorsement of ISPP’s TF will make modest fundraising possible, especially with the engagement of TF members. Several sources of funds were mentioned. [See also Lise Korsten’s table to be circulated for further population by TF members]. Any project selected for support funding should be partially funded by the body chosen to execute it. It was noted that the financial resources of ISPP itself were thought to be minimal and funding from this source would therefore not be likely. The role of the TF would be to coordinate its proposed programme on behalf of ISPP and to facilitate fundraising.
- The TF should note that some 80% of global consumption of protein and carbohydrate comes from only four crops. A focus on alternative and indigenous crops should be considered among future activities of the TF.
- The journal *Food Security*, itself a product of the TF, should be fully supported and promoted to address TF and ISPP aims. For example:
 - Special sections could be devoted to topics in plant pathology that address food security.
 - Contributions referring to plant disease should be invited from influential authors.
 - *Alerts for Policy Makers*, already an annual editorial feature, should be made prominent.
 - Journal content should be featured in ISPPWeb.

- Appropriate use should be made of ISPPWeb (<http://www.isppweb.org/>) to present and promote the aims of the TF and of ISPP.
- The TF is in the process of organizing a high-profile conference on “*Plant disease and food security*” in Torino, Italy, in October 2015. This will be linked to the “Forum on Local Development” in the frame of Expo Milano 2015, “*Feeding the Planet – Energy for Life*”.

Overview

Lise Korsten expressed appreciation for the commitment of the participants to the discussion and undertook to circulate a summary [this document]. She would invite comment by TF members and would then forward an agreed version to ISPP Executive Committee, to meet its request. She was hesitant to propose a summary position but suggested that the sense of the meeting included these points:

- Endorsement of the proposed summary aim of the TF within ISPP.
- Recognition of the parallel priorities of **action-based projects** and **institutional linkages**; determination to achieve a balanced programme including each of these.
- Support for the role of the TF as a platform for information exchange, for example through the journal, and through knowledge bases, position papers, think tanks, conferences.
- Approval of the range of topics proposed for the next action-oriented project, noting the emphasis placed on raising awareness of plant disease and on mitigation of post-harvest losses.
- Realization that progress towards the aim of the TF will require funds to be raised.

17 January 2015

Annex 4 ISPP Taskforce on Global Food Security focus from ISPP Workplan 2013-2015 as compared to ISPP Taskforce 2015 review of action priorities (1 to 12).

In the ISPP Report 2008-2013 it was noted that focus had been especially under Activities 1 and 4 below. In the minutes here, the ISPP Taskforce *focus as outlined in the Work Plan 2013-2018* is interleaved with the Actions arising from 2015 Taskforce discussions.

Action 3/10

The Executive should liaise with the Taskforce to develop a resolution that spells out the revised aims/activities of the Taskforce.

1. Changing Public Policy and Opinions on Global Food Security

ISPP Workplan (2013-2018) *Activity 1: should continue, responding to future needs. Responsibility for the journal now rests with the Editor-in-Chief, Executive Committee, and Journal Trust. Organization of Food Security Sessions at future ICPPs could continue to be handled by the Task Force, in partnership with the Executive and the Organizing Committee of each Congress.*

Taskforce 2015:

1. Maintain contact with ISPP Executive Committee. (Action: Lise Korsten)
2. Compile a Knowledge Base for food security in terms of current (1) Initiatives; (2) Funding Sources; (3) Conferences; (4) Think Tanks. (Action: Lise Korsten)
3. Develop a list of key Think Tanks. Propose who should represent TF on them. (Action: Lise Korsten)
4. Plan, with Lodovica Gullino, a programme for October Torino session of EXPO Milano 2015. (Action: Lise Korsten)
5. Consider organizing a Symposium on TF priorities along the lines of that recently convened by ISPP's Postharvest Pathology Subject-Matter Committee:
<http://www.isppweb.org/nljul15.asp#3>
6. Consider raising funds for a high-level Conference on plant diseases and food security.

2. Enhanced PhD training for plant pathology in developing countries

ISPP Workplan (2013-2018) *Survey completed, leading to lower priority for immediate action in 2013-2018.*

Taskforce 2015:

7. Explore, with Etienne Duveiller, opportunities for TF activities within the Borlaug Fellowship Program. (Action: Peter Scott)
8. Assess Royal Society-DFID Africa Capacity Building Initiative as source of funds for TF activities. (Action: Lise Korsten)

3. Quantification of the economic impact of some major diseases

ISPP Workplan (2013-2018): *In 2013-2018, the new ISPP Subject Matter Committee on Biotic Constraints to Food and Fiber Production will take the lead in relation to this Activity. From the Task Force perspective, the key opportunities with the Biotic Constraints Committee are:*

- *This Committee, chaired by Serge Savary, will address issues related to the impact of plant pathogens on production.*
- *Originally, the Task Force had "Activity 3: Quantification of the economic impact of some major diseases". But little has been done here.*

- *In correspondence with Serge Savary, Peter Scott as Task Force Chair has therefore welcomed the new Committee, anticipating complementarity at the interface with the Task Force programme along these lines:*
 - *Task Force: focus on fostering greater attention to improving food security in developing countries.*
 - *Biotic Constraints Committee: probable focus on impact of plant pathogens on production.*

4. Farmer training in simple disease management: pilot project

ISPP Workplan (2013-2018): *In 2007-2012, this was the core activity in ISPP's response to the challenge "What can ISPP do to address the challenge of food security?". In 2003-2011, funds were allocated competitively by ISPP to support project proposals matching this challenge. But further funding cannot at present be supported by ISPP. There were two calls for such proposals, from which those summarized here have been selected and executed. In 2013-2018, we should discuss what this ISPP-funded competitive programme has delivered, and how it might continue.*

Future directions for the Challenge Programme? *How should it be developed to be an ongoing part of ISPP's programme of activities? By development from its current objectives? Funded from what source? (ISPP will not provide funds). What are the next steps?*

Taskforce 2015:

9. Draft a call for proposals for a project in targeted awareness building, guided by the TF Challenge Project in South Africa. Use this as a basis for focused fundraising. (Action: Lise Korsten, Peter Scott)

5. Development of the ISPP Website and ISPP Publications

ISPP Workplan (2013-2018): *Responsibility (for website) now assumed by ISPP Business Manager.*

In this summary, Activity 5 (Development of the Website has been expanded to encompass ISPP Publications.

Taskforce 2015:

10. Follow up with Clayton Hollier regarding a proposed submission to Food Security based on the 2014 Hollier/Teng Symposium on "Food Security: Role of Plant Pathology". Consider a special section around this topic. (Action: Richard Strange)
11. Identify authors for Position Papers on subjects such as: GM, Pesticides, Phytosanitary Measures. (Action: Peter Scott)
12. Prepare for a meeting of Food Security Senior Editors. (Action: Richard Strange)

As the Taskforce Chair was due to travel to the airport, this item was brought forward to after Item 4. The Executive considered the report on the Taskforce on Global Food Security and other documents (Records of TF meetings) as circulated and handed out at meeting, together with verbal report by the Taskforce Chair (Professor Korsten) (Minutes Annex 3 a and b).

The Executive noted the key points in the report, some of which were covered by Prof Korsten in her verbal report:

- *"The aim of the ISPP Task Force on Global Food Security is to foster linkages between plant pathology and key food security challenges, to promote understanding of the issues and to facilitate action to sustain global food security".*
- *TF Members aspire to balanced programme including both action-based projects and institutional linkages.*

- The TF serves as a platform for information exchange, for example through the Food Security journal, and through knowledge bases, position papers, think tanks and conferences.
- Members supported a range of topics proposed for the next action-oriented project⁴, with an emphasis on raising awareness of plant disease and on mitigation of post-harvest losses.
- Members recognized that progress towards the aim of the TF will require funds to be raised.

Priority areas for action:

13. Compile a Knowledge Base for food security in terms of current (1) Initiatives; (2) Funding Sources; (3) Conferences; (4) Think Tanks. (Action: Lise Korsten.)
14. Maintain contact with Clayton Hollier regarding a proposed submission to Food Security based on 2014 Hollier/Teng Symposium on “Food Security: Role of Plant Pathology”. Consider a special section around this topic. (Action: Richard Strange.)
15. Develop a list of key Think Tanks. Propose who should represent TF on them. (Action: Lise Korsten.)
16. Identify authors for Position Papers on: GM, Pesticides, Phytosanitary Measures. (Action: Peter Scott.)
17. Assess Royal Society-DFID Africa Capacity Building Initiative as source of funds for TF activities. (Action: Lise Korsten.)
18. Plan, with Lodovica Gullino, a programme for October Torino session of EXPO Milano 2015. (Action: Lise Korsten.)
19. Prepare for a meeting of Food Security Senior Editors. (Action: Richard Strange.)
20. Explore, with Etienne Duveiller, opportunities for TF activities within the Borlaug Fellowship Program. (Action: Peter Scott.)
21. Draft a call for proposals for a project in targeted awareness building, guided by the TF Challenge Project in South Africa. Use this as a basis for focused fundraising. (Action: Lise Korsten, Peter Scott.)
22. Maintain contact with ISPP Executive Committee. (Action: Lise Korsten.)

Other possible actions arising from recent discussions with ISPP Executive:

23. Consider organizing a Symposium on TF priorities along the lines of that recently convened by ISPP’s Postharvest Pathology Subject-Matter Committee:
<http://www.isppweb.org/nljul15.asp#3>
24. Consider raising funds for a high-level Conference on plant diseases and food security.

In making the verbal report, Prof Korsten also highlighted some of the meetings and activities at the APS meeting and in Discussions with the ISPP president-, in particular the current interest and involvement of APS as outlined in the session on Phytobiome-Plant Interactions: Bridging Phytobiome Structure and Function (which is available [on line](#))

The EC also noted the comment in record of January 2015 Meeting of the TF: *The TF should work to ensure that there is an embedded plant pathologist at the table in key policy-making and decision-making bodies for food security, whether in person or more affordably by telecommunication. The TF should aim to be represented in think tanks with an interest in food security.*

The limited time available did not provide opportunity for detailed consideration of the reports and proposed Actions for the Taskforce. It was agreed that the documents and actions should be considered by the Executive as a priority to provide ISPP Executive endorsement of ISPP Taskforce

⁴ The Minutes of the ISPP Executive (2008-2013) 3rd and 4th meetings noted: “The Executive agreed that the success of the two projects had created a good track-record and that the Task Force on Global Food Security now needed to capitalize upon in seeking support (and mentoring) from other sources to fund future projects. ISPP funds should be focused on other activities in support of the Society’s key objectives. The Executive again confirmed this view (28/8/13) and the Secretary noted that one of the two issues raised by Council at ICPP2008 was that scarce funds of ISPP should not be used for funding additional challenge projects

Activities. In doing so the Executive notes that the priority actions as outline still represent a significant outlay of time and personnel and the Taskforce should continue to work to streamline and catalyse inputs as are realistically feasible within existing resources and personnel inputs.

Actions 3/10 The Executive should liaise with the Taskforce Chair to develop a resolution that responds to and spells out the revised aims/activities of the Taskforce. To facilitate discussion, a summary that incorporates ISPP Workplan 2013-2018 actions with Taskforce proposed actions in 2015 is attached to the 3rd EC minutes as Annex 4.

Annex 5 Report from the ISPP Subject Matter Committee for Chemical Control



International Society for Plant Pathology

(Greg Johnson, President)

If you
have one,
Insert
your SMC
Logo in
place of

July 2015 Committee Report to the ISPP Executive Committee on the ISPP Chemical Control subject matter committee

Please complete your report using this proforma

Return the completed report by email to Peter Williamson, Business Manager, ISPP (businessmanager@isppweb.org), copy to Serge Savary (Serge.Savary@toulouse.inra.fr) by 31 July, 2015

Subject Matter Committee

ISPP Chemical Control subject matter committee

Established: The ISPP Chemical Control subject matter committee was newly set up after the retirement of the former chairman Prof Ulrich Gisi in 2008.

Web address for SMC

no specific web address

Name (s) of personnel preparing report

Dr. Klaus Stenzel, chairman

Nominated Officers

Is the list for your SMC on the ISPP website correct? yes

Current membership

Dr. Klaus Stenzel (Germany), chairman

Dr. Dietrich Herrmann (Switzerland)

Prof. Dr. Guido Schnabel (USA)

Dr. Hideo Ishii (Japan)

Dr. Derek Hollomon (UK)

Prof. Dr. Tarlochan Thind (India)

Committee Meetings:

A formal meeting was not arranged in 2008-2013, but the members met at several occasions at global conferences.

Committee Activities:

- The activity of the ISPP Chemical Disease Control Committee is executed during the last five years through numerous activities by the members of this committee, through activities in several regions of the world at congresses, symposia or workshops e.g. by talks or chairmanship, by publications and by direct communication and interaction with interested groups. We see that by these activities a sufficient range of platforms and networking opportunities are present to push the scientific development and interaction forward.

Subject Matter Committee focus issues:

- The subject matter Chemical Control was topic at numerous conferences with well received contributions, e.g. ISPP 2008 in Torino, Resistance 2011 in Rothamsted, ICPP 2013 in Beijing, Reinhardtsbrunn Symposia. The committee members were active in organizing at those conferences e.g. workshops on disease resistance, sessions on fungicides and disease control, and were contributing by talks and discussion.
- The committee is involved since 2013 with one member D. Herrmann in the Organizing Committee of the Reinhardtsbrunn Symposium, which is a core event in chemical disease control and resistance research. At the Reinhardtsbrunn Symposium 2010 and 2013 all but one members of the Committee participated, giving talks and were actively discussing topics around chemical disease control.
- Through the FRAC organization two representatives in the ISPP committee are actively involved in resistance related issues in practice, reporting with their teams to the scientific and practical audience via the FRAC website about new findings and resistance management measures to be taken to ensure longevity of modes of action and about best methodology in monitoring. Publication is done via Journals and / or presentations at congresses.

Additional work identified:

- Continuation to facilitate broad engagement of scientists and experts to work on chemical control topics and resistance issues and to make accessible to broad scientific community and audience in practical agriculture

Submitted by Klaus Stenzel, chairman

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Supplementary Information submitted by Dr Thind (India)**Committee Activities:**

Convened Evening Sessions on the theme related to fungicides during ICPP2008 and ICPP2013 as follows :

1. Resistance risk among new fungicides (ICPP2008 , Torino)
2. Prospects and limitations of novel action fungicides (ICPP2013, Beijing)

Experts from various institutes and pesticide industry participated in these evening sessions and presented their latest findings. These were largely attended by the delegates and a good interaction took place in both the sessions.

Submitted by :

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Annex 6 Draft of text for Jakob Eriksson Pages

Excerpt of Text on Eriksson Page http://www.isppweb.org/about_eriksson.asp

The Jakob Eriksson Prize is administered [iii] through the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences in Stockholm, and consists of a gold medal, modeled in 1959 by the Swedish sculptor Ivar Johnsson (1885-1970). The medal is embossed with Jakob Eriksson's portrait and the reverse side shows details of winter and summer spores of *Puccinia graminis*, surrounded by ears of wheat, rye and barley. Between 1959 and 2013, the prize has been awarded eleven times.

(new text)

The Jakob Eriksson Prize will be presented at the International Congress of Plant Pathology in Boston Massachusetts USA in 2018. Information on the Prize Nomination processes are **here**

**"Here" will link to a new page _
(New Page)**

Selection process for the Jakob Eriksson Prize

In the years leading up to the **International Congress of Plant Pathology**, the Executive of the ISPP (with the call advertised through the ISPP newsletter and the website) in consultation with the Prize Commission will call for nominations of candidates of distinction in research in mycology, in plant pathology, or in virus diseases, or of a particular publication or other seminal achievements in such subjects, with the understanding that the work being recognized *is of a distinct international value and merit*.

The following rules apply to those making nominations:

- (i) Nominators must provide a curriculum vitae and a short statement (500 words) justifying the selection of nominees,
- (ii) Names of all nominees must be strictly confidential,
- (iii) Individuals cannot nominate themselves,
- (iv) No correspondence concerning unsuccessful nominations will be entered into.

All nominations are to be sent to the Chair of the Prize Commission, in an email headed "Jakob Eriksson Prize Nomination" (ErikssonPrize@ISPPweb.org).

Following the call for, and receipt of the nominations by the due date (call at least 24 months before, close of nominations at least 18 months before the Congress) the Chair and members of the Commission will liaise as necessary in order to make a recommendation to the ISPP on the award of the Prize. Normally, the Committee of Experts considering the nominations will also be the members of the Prize Commission with additional expertise invited by the Commission Chair to join the Committee should individual Commission members be unavailable.

Selection

- (viii) The Jakob Eriksson Prize Commission, in consultation with the Executive of ISPP, will independently undertake the selection processes to enable a

recommendation of the Jakob Eriksson Prize recipient at least one year before each International Congress of Plant Pathology.

- (ix) The Chair of the Commission will advise the ISPP President of the Commission's recommendation, and after appropriate deliberation, the President of the ISPP will invite the successful nominee to accept the award.

The Prize Ceremony

- (x) The participation of the Jakob Eriksson Prize recipient in the International Congress of Plant Pathology will be facilitated by the ISPP and the Congress Organisers. Normally this will include complementary Congress registration and attendance at Congress social functions, return economy travel to the Congress and some support for accommodation and **reasonable** expenses for the duration of the Congress.
- (xi) The Prize Ceremony will be planned by the ISPP in consultation with the Prize recipient, the Commission Chair and the Congress Organisers.
- (xii) As part of the Prize Ceremony, the Prize recipient will also be invited to briefly present their work at the Congress as *The Jakob Eriksson Oration* with scope and coverage in a style suitable for a more general audience.
- (xiii) The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences will provide the Jakob Eriksson gold medal together with a suitable certificate.