SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON PLANT HEALTH

145th Panel Plenary meeting

18-19 November 2026
9:00-18:00 / 9:00-18:00
DRAFT AGENDA

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Location: On Site

Chair: Antonio Vicent

Day 1: 18 November 2026 - 09:00-18:00

Time	No.	Item	Presenter/comments
09:00	**1**	**Welcome and apologies for absence**	
	2	**Adoption of the agenda**	
	3	**Declaration of interests**	
	4	**Report on the written approval procedure of the 144th PLH Panel plenary meeting**	
09:10	**5**	**Scientific outputs submitted for discussion and possible adoption/endorsement**	
09:10-09:40	5.1	Scientific opinion on *Xylella fastidiosa* direct vector control (EFSA-Q-2026-00035)	Endorsed in February 2026 for public consultation, now for adoption David Makowski, PLH Panel Ewelina Czwienczek, PLANTS Unit
09:40-10:30	5.2	Scientific opinion on In Planta control measures and other risk reduction options for *Xylella fastidiosa* (EFSA-Q-2026-00036)	Endorsed in February 2026 for public consultation, now for adoption Ewelina Czwienczek, PLANTS Unit Blanca Landa, PLH Panel
10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break			
11:00	**5**	**Scientific outputs submitted for discussion and possible adoption/endorsement (continues)**	
11:00 11:30	5.3	Scientific Opinion on the latency and incubation periods of *Xylella fastidiosa* (EFSA-Q-2026-00037)	Matteo Crotta, MESE Unit
11:30 12:15	5.4	Scientific report on the "Genetic and genomic diversity, geographic distribution and host plant associations of *Xylella fastidiosa* to support the update of the pest risk assessment for the EU territory" (EFSA-Q-2026-00345)	Maria Saponari, National Research Council, Institute for Sustainable Plant Protection IPSP CNR, Giuseppe Stanacnelli, PLANTS Unit Blanca Landa, PLH Panel
12:15	**6**	**Feedback from EFSA, Scientific Committee and European Commission**	
12:15 12:45	6.1	Feedback on the 5th European Conference on *Xylella fastidiosa* (23-25 June 2026)	Ewelina Czwienczek, PLANTS Unit
12:45-14:00 Lunch Break			

14:00	**5**	**Scientific outputs submitted for discussion and possible adoption/endorsement (continues)**	
14:00 14:45	5.5	Scientific reports on: A) Almond response to Almond Leaf Scorch caused by *Xylella fastidiosa* subspecies (EFSA-Q-2026-00465) B) Citrus spp. response to Citrus Variegated Chlorosis caused by *Xylella fastidiosa* subsp. *pauca* (EFSA-Q-2026-00466) C) evaluation of resistance and susceptibility of olive to *Xylella fastidiosa* (EFSA-Q-2026-00039);	Maria Saponari, National Research Council, Institute for Sustainable Plant Protection IPSP CNR, Giuseppe Stanacnelli, PLANTS Unit Blanca Landa, PLH Panel
14:45 15:30	5.6	Summary analysis of the available data from the literature on the ecology and biology of *Xylella fastidiosa* vectors and potential vectors within the EU (EFSA-Q-2026-00467)	Daniele Cornara, University of Bari Matteo Crotta, MESE Unit
15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break			
16:00	**5**	**Scientific outputs submitted for discussion and possible adoption/endorsement (continues)**	
16:00 16:45	5.7	*Xylella fastidiosa* crop mapping reports: 1) Data collection and harmonization for EU-wide mapping of citrus, almond, olive and vineyard to support plant health risk assessment (EFSA-Q-2026-00534); 2) Estimating the spatial distribution of citrus areas in the European Union at 10 × 10 km grid resolution (EFSA-Q-2026-00535); 3) Estimating the spatial distribution of olive areas in the European Union at 10 × 10 km grid resolution (EFSA-Q-2026-00536); 4) Estimating the spatial distribution of vineyard areas in the European Union at 10 × 10 km grid resolution (EFSA-Q-2026-00537); 5) Estimating the spatial distribution of almond areas in the European Union at 10 × 10 km grid resolution (EFSA-Q-2026-00538)	Zuzanna Zajac, ISA expert Ewelina Czwienczek, PLANTS Unit
16:45 17:30	5.8	Protocol on literature search and data extraction for PRA (EFSA-Q-2026-00591)	Presentation for endorsement Andrea Maiorano, PLANTS Unit Alex Gobbi, CREA
17:30	**6**	**Feedback from EFSA, Scientific Committee and European Commission (continues)**	
17:30 17:45	6.2	Feedback from Scientific Committee	
17:45 18:00	6.3	Feedback from European Commission	

18:00 End of 1st Day

Day 2: 19 November 2026 - 09:00-17:15

Time	No.	Item	Presenter/comments
09:00	**5**	**Scientific outputs submitted for discussion and possible adoption and/or endorsement (continues)**	
09:00 10:30	5.9	Green asparagus commodity risk assessment approach, country and pest selection, interception data and methodology for the PRA (EFSA-Q-2025-00678)	Presentation for endorsement of the approach Eduardo de la Pena, PLH Panel
		10:30 - 11:00 Coffee Break	
11:00	**5**	**Scientific outputs submitted for discussion and possible adoption and/or endorsement (continues)**	
11:00 12:00	5.10	Commodity risk assessment of *Malus domestica* budwood from Canada (EFSA-Q-2025-00140)	Presentation for adoption Anna Berlin, PLH Panel Agata Kaczmarek, PLANTS Unit
		12:00-13:30 Lunch Break	
13:30	**5**	**Scientific outputs submitted for discussion and possible adoption and/or endorsement (continues)**	
13:30 15:30	5.11	Standard protocol for Pest Risk Assessment, Section on Pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2025-00144)	Presentation for endorsement Dirk Jan van der Gaag, PLH Panel Virag Kertesz, PLANTS Unit
		15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break	
16:00	**6**	**Feedback from EFSA, Scientific Committee and European Commission (continues)**	
16:00 17:00	6.4	Update from the Plant Health Monitoring Team • Pest Survey cards • Statistical tools • New Pest Surveillance Platform Grants and Procurements	Agnes Rortais, Tomasz Kaluski, Francesca Salinari, PLANTS Unit
17:00	**7**	**AOB**	

17:15 End of 2nd Day