



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 72nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 8 January 2021

(Agreed on 8 January 2021)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- Others:
Tasking grant holder: University of Thessaly:
Nikos Papadopoulos
Stella Papanastasiou

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 71st Working Group meeting held on 11 December 2020.

The minutes of the 71st Working Group meeting held on 11 December 2020 were agreed on 14 December and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas (*Musa*) constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

WG members conducted internal review of each section and continued to make a thorough revision of the text.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 22nd of January 2021.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 71st MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 11 December 2020

(Agreed on 14 December 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- Others:
Tasking grant holder: University of Thessaly:
Nikos Papadopoulos
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1. Welcome and apologies for absence

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2. Adoption of agenda

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3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 70th Working Group meeting held on 26-27 November 2020.

The minutes of the 70th Working Group meeting held on 26-27 November 2020 were agreed on 27 November and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas (*Musa*) constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

WG members continued drafting the opinion. Copyrights of the photos used in the scientific opinion were obtained. An Endnote file with all references was created. The possibility of entry with passenger baggage was discussed and some maps with direct international flights from major *Musa* producing countries were prepared. The draft opinion includes many graphs and illustrations. A thorough cross-check with the citations was performed. *Ceratitis cosyra* was added to the list of the fruit flies occurring on *Musa* sp. following the study of Cugala et al. (2014). The distribution map of *Musa* infesting Tephritidae was updated accordingly. Host plants and geographic distribution of the listed fruit flies were checked and amended. WG members started the general revision of the text.

Reference

Cugala D, Ekesi S, Ambasse D, Adamu R and Mohamed SA. 2014. Assessment of ripening stages of Cavendish dwarf bananas as host or non-host to *Bactrocera invadens*. Journal of Applied Entomology, 138 (6), 449-57.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 8th of January 2021.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 70th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 26-27 November 2020

(Agreed on 27 November 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- Others:
Tasking grant holder: University of Thessaly:
Nikos Papadopoulos
Stella Papanastasiou

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 69th Working Group meeting held on 20 November 2020.

The minutes of the 69th Working Group meeting held on 20 November 2020 were agreed on 24 November and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas (*Musa*) constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

WG members continued drafting the opinion. Different sections were amended with new information from the literature. Photos and other illustrations were described in the main body of the opinion. Maps were updated with the new findings from the literature about banana fruit flies.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 11 December 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 69th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 20 November 2020

(Agreed on 24 November 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Virág Kertész
GMO Unit: Franz Streissl
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 68th Working Group meeting held on 30 October 2020.

The minutes of the 68th Working Group meeting held on 30 October 2020 were agreed on 3 November and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Diaphorina citri* (EFSA-Q-2020-00119), *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* (EFSA-Q-2020-00118) and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* (EFSA-Q-2020-00120).

The comments from the panel members on the draft pest categorisations of *Diaphorina citri*, *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* were discussed and addressed. The opinions will be presented for possible adoption at the November meeting of the Plant Health Panel.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 26-27 November 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 68th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 30 October 2020

(Agreed on 3 November 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Virág Kertész, Andrea Maiorano
GMO Unit: Franz Streissl
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 67th Working Group meeting held on 16 October 2020.

The minutes of the 67th Working Group meeting held on 16 October 2020 were agreed on 19 October and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of categorisations of *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* (EFSA-Q-2020-00118) and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* (EFSA-Q-2020-00120).

The draft pest categorisation opinions of *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* were finalised by the working group to be sent to the panel for review.

5.2. Pest categorisation of *Diaphorina citri* (EFSA-Q-2020-00119)

The recommendations received by the PLH panel were incorporated in the pest categorisation of *Diaphorina citri*. The pest categorisation opinion was finalised to be sent to the panel for review.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 20 November 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 67th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 16 October 2020

(Agreed on 19 October 2020)

Participants

■ Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

■ Hearing Experts¹:

Raimundo Cabrera Pérez (University of La Laguna, Canary Islands, Spain)
Antonio D. González Hernández (Government of the Canary Islands, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries. Directorate General of Agriculture, Spain)

■ European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

■ EFSA:

Animal and Plant Health Unit: Ewelina Czwieniczek

■ Others:

Tasking grant holder: University of Thessaly:
Nikos Papadopoulos
Stella Papanastasiou

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

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2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 66th Working Group meeting held on 1-2 October 2020.

The minutes of the 66th Working Group meeting held on 1-2 October 2020 were agreed on 6th of October and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas (*Musa*) constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

The invited hearing experts, Raimundo Cabrera Pérez and Antonio D. González Hernández gave a presentation showing the environmental conditions in the Canary Islands, which allow for banana production in the islands. Banana cultivation uses approximately 1.3% of the territory of Canary Islands. They described the competition of the banana with other land uses and competition in the market with Central and South American countries exporters. The export of bananas from the Canary Islands goes mainly to mainland Spain. A small quantity (1,800 mt) is sent to some markets in other countries of the European Union, but it is not a fully consolidated market and fluctuates a lot. In other places of Macaronesia, such as Cape Verde, banana production is intended for local consumption; therefore the fruits can be harvested at a more advanced stage of ripening, but in Canary Islands it is always harvested at the stage 1, even for local consumption.

WG members discussed the new findings and continued to work drafting the opinion.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 30th of October.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 66th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 1-2 October 2020

(Agreed on 6 October 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Virág Kertész, Andrea Maiorano (on 2 October)
GMO Unit: Franz Streissl
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

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2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 65th Working Group meeting held on 25 September 2020.

The minutes of the 65th Working Group meeting held on 25 September 2020 were agreed on 29 September and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* (EFSA-Q-2020-00118) and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* (EFSA-Q-2020-00120)

The working group started developing the draft opinions of *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata*. The distribution maps of the two pest species were discussed and their presentation in the opinions agreed. The distribution map of *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* need some adjustment. New information on the distribution will be incorporated in the final maps.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 16 October 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 65th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 25 September 2020

(Agreed on 29 September 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Virág Kertész
GMO Unit: Franz Streissl
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Josep Anton Jaques Miret.

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2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 64th Working Group meeting held on 11 September 2020.

The minutes of the 64th Working Group meeting held on 11 September 2020 were agreed on 14 September and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Diaphorina citri* (EFSA-Q-2020-00119) and *Diabrotica undecimpunctata undecimpunctata* (EFSA-Q-2020-00117)

The comments from the panel members on the draft pest categorisations of *Diaphorina citri* and *Diabrotica undecimpunctata undecimpunctata* were discussed and addressed. The opinions will be presented for possible adoption at the September meeting of the Plant Health Panel.

5.2. Planning of the work of the categorisations of *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* (EFSA-Q-2020-00118) and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* (EFSA-Q-2020-00120)

The workplan for developing the draft opinions of *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* were discussed and tasks to be finalised before the next meeting were agreed.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 1-2 October 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 64th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 11 September 2020

(Agreed on 14 September 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Rony Swennen (Laboratory of Tropical Crop Improvement, KU Leuven, Belgium)
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA: Ewelina Czwieniczek
Animal and Plant Health Unit:
- Others:
Tasking grant holder: University of Thessaly:
Nikos Papadopoulos
Stella Papanastasiou

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

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2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 63rd Working Group meeting held on 3 of September 2020.

The minutes of the 63rd Working Group meeting held on 3rd of September 2020 were agreed on 8th of September and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas (*Musa*) constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

The invited hearing expert, Dr Rony Swennen from the Laboratory of Tropical Crop Improvement, KU Leuven in Belgium, an expert in banana and plantain breeding, presented a detailed description of the biology and physiology of bananas and plantains to the WG. Production site processes, harvesting techniques and transport conditions from farms in different parts of the world to the EU were presented.

Differences between artificial and natural ripening of banana fruits were highlighted.

The response of stage 1 banana (mature green bananas) fruits to the infestation by Tephritidae was discussed from the physiological point of view: No flies emerge perhaps due to chemical compounds inside the fruit at this stage according to the expert.

WG members discussed the new findings and continued to work drafting the opinion.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 25th of September 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 63rd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 3 September 2020

(Agreed on 8 September 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Virág Kertész, Andrea Maiorano (for agenda point 5.1.)
GMO Unit: Franz Streissl
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

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2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted after adding a discussion point on climate and distribution mapping.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 62nd Working Group meeting held on 27 July 2020.

The minutes of the 62nd Working Group meeting held on 27 July 2020 were agreed on 30 July and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Climate and distribution maps for *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* (EFSA-Q-2020-00118) and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* (EFSA-Q-2020-00120)

Distribution and climate maps of *Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi* and *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* were presented and discussed. The maps will be further elaborated and discussed again in one of the following WG meetings.

5.2. Pest categorisations of *Diaphorina citri* (EFSA-Q-2020-00119) and *Diabrotica undecimpunctata undecimpunctata* (EFSA-Q-2020-00117)

The pest categorisations of *Diaphorina citri* and *Diabrotica undecimpunctata undecimpunctata* were finalised to be sent to the panel for review.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 11 September 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 62nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 27 July 2020

(Agreed on 30 July 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Virag Kertesz
- Others:
Tasking grant holder: University of Thessaly:
Nikos Papadopoulos
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1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

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2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 61st Working Group meeting held on 16 July 2020.

The minutes of the 61st Working Group meeting held on 16 July 2020 were agreed on 17 July and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas (*Musa*) constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

A review of the working progress was held and specific tasks were discussed and assigned to the WG members and Tasking Grant holder for research and drafting. The draft opinion was further elaborated. The list of candidate hearing experts was reviewed in order to invite the next hearing expert(s).

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 3 September 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 61st MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 16 July 2020

(Agreed on 17 July 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Virág Kertész and Franz Streissl
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 60th Working Group meeting held on 13 July 2020.

The minutes of the 60th Working Group meeting held on 13 July 2020 were agreed on 16 July and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Diaphorina citri* (EFSA-Q-2020-00119) and *Diabrotica undecimpunctata undecimpunctata* (EFSA-Q-2020-00117)

The draft pest categorisation of *Diaphorina citri* was discussed and amended according to the outcome of the discussion. The draft pest categorisation of *Diabrotica undecimpunctata undecimpunctata* was further elaborated.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 27 July 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 60st MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 13 July 2020

(Agreed on 16 July 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
John Golding (NSW Department of Primary Industries, Australia)
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Virag Kertesz
- Others:
Tasking grant holder: University of Thessaly:
Nikos Papadopoulos
Stella Papanastasiou

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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4. Agreement of the minutes of the 59th Working Group meeting held on 1 July 2020.

The minutes of the 59th Working Group meeting held on 1 July 2020 were agreed on 6 July and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas (*Musa*) constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

The invited hearing expert Dr John Golding from NSW, Department of Primary Industries in Australia presented his work on banana research and shared important information regarding aspects of banana production and agricultural practices, trade within Australia, post-harvest disinfection treatments, storage and transport, and fruit physiology during ripening stages. WG members discussed the topics presented by the hearing expert and raised questions regarding legislation and quality certificates for banana exports and Australian interstate trade. A briefing of the working progress was made by the WG members and the list of tasks was updated.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 16 July 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 59th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 1 July 2020

(Agreed on 6 July 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal Health and Plant Health: Virág Kertész and Franz Streissl.
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 58th Working Group meeting held on 24 June 2020.

The minutes of the 58th Working Group meeting held on 24 June 2020 were agreed on 27 June and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Haploxius (Myndus) crudus* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122), *Diaphorina citri* (EFSA-Q-2020-00119) and *Diabrotica undecimpunctata undecimpunctata* (EFSA-Q-2020-00117)

The comments from panel members on the draft pest categorisations of *Haploxius* (=Myndus) *crudus* were discussed and addressed. The opinion will be presented for possible adoption at the July meeting of the Plant Health Panel. The draft pest categorisations of *Diaphorina citri* and *Diabrotica undecimpunctata undecimpunctata* were further elaborated.

6. Any Other Business

Nor relevant.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of the WG is scheduled for 13 July 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 58th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 24 June 2020

(Agreed on 27 June 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
David Horta Lopes (University of Azores)
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- Others:
Tasking grant holder: University of Thessaly:
Nikos Papadopoulos
Stella Papanastasiou

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 57th Working Group meeting held on 19 June 2020.

The minutes of the 57th Working Group meeting held on 19 June 2020 were agreed on 22 June and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas (*Musa*) constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

Professor David Horta Lopes from The University of Azores informed the WG about his research on *Bactrocera dorsalis* in Cabo Verde and his findings in relation to the fruit flies in green banana (*Musa* spp.). He also shared important information regarding agricultural practices of banana cultivation/production in Azores and Cape Verde, trade and airport regulations to avoid introduction of invasive/quarantine pests with infested fruit (banana) in luggage. Based on his field observations on banana plantations in Cape Verde, *B. dorsalis* is able to infest unripe (BBCH stage 1) bananas and larvae can develop (though larval development time is longer than within ripe bananas). However, no quantitative data are available to support the observation from Cape Verde or elsewhere. Also, no infestation of banana by other fruit flies such as *Ceratitis capitata* or *C. cosyra* came to his notice. Banana harvesting for local consumption in Cape Verde can be held at ripening stage 2 or 3 and no bagging of bunches is done as an agricultural practice to protect the fruit from pest infestations. Lack of banana bagging in Cape Verde probably renders the island's production not suitable for export to EU (no exports to EU since 1999). The Working Group raised and discussed several topics regarding banana agricultural practices in Cape Verde, and fruit fly biology, including the ability of *B. dorsalis* to oviposit on unripe (fruit ripening stage 1) bananas; how strict is the limit of stage 1 ripening status during banana harvest and the potential for infested fruit in hand luggage to provide a pathway for fruit flies.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 1 July 2020.



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 57th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 19 June 2020

(Agreed on 22 June 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal Health and Plant Health: Virág Kertész and Franz Streissl.
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 56th Working Group meeting held on 11-12 June 2020.

The minutes of the 56th Working Group meeting held on 11-12 June 2020 were agreed on 16 June and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Haplaxius (Myndus) crudus* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122) and *Diaphorina citri* (EFSA-Q-2020-00119)

The draft pest categorisations of *Haplaxius (=Myndus) crudus* and *Diaphorina citri* were discussed. The pest categorisation of *Haplaxius (=Myndus) crudus* was finalised to be sent to the panel for review. The draft pest categorisation of *Diaphorina citri* was further elaborated.

6. Any Other Business

Nor relevant.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of the WG is scheduled for 24 June 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 56th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 11-12 June 2020

(Agreed on 16 June 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal Health and Plant Health: Virág Kertész and Franz Streissl.
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 55th Working Group meeting held on 5 June 2020.

The minutes of the 55th Working Group meeting held on 5 June 2020 were agreed on 9 June and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Haplaxius (Myndus) crudus* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122) and *Diaphorina citri* (EFSA-Q-2020-00119)

The draft pest categorisations of *Haplaxius (=Myndus) crudus* and *Diaphorina citri* were discussed and the draft pest categorisations were further elaborated.

6. Any Other Business

Nor relevant.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of the WG is scheduled for 19 June 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 55th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 5 June 2020

(Agreed on 09 June 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- Others:
Tasking grant holder: University of Thessaly:
Nikos Papadopoulos
Stella Papanastassiou

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 54th Working Group meeting held on 4 June 2020.

The minutes of the 54th Working Group meeting held on 4 June 2020 were agreed on 08 June and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas (*Musa*) constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

A draft work plan was presented by the Chair and discussed with the Working group. Experts also discussed potential literature searches and other information sources, including databases to be used and the supplementary expertise that will be needed. A preliminary list of Tephritidae on *Musa* spp. was extracted from the non EU-Tephritidae database of EFSA. The tasking grant holder shared information about a methodology to determine pest-host status with respect to Tephritidae.

6. Any Other Business

None

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 11 and 12 June 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 54th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 4 June 2020

(Agreed on 8 June 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Animal and Plant Health Unit: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Virág Kertész and Franz Streissl.
- Others:
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 53rd Working Group meeting held on 22 May 2020.

The minutes of the 53rd Working Group meeting held on 22 May 2020 were agreed on 26 May and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Rhizoecus hibisci* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122), *Premnotrypes* spp. (EFSA-Q-2020-00124) and *Helicoverpa zea* (EFSA-Q-2020-00123)

WG members discussed the comments received from the EFSA PLH Panel on the draft pest categorisations for *Rhipsiella* (= *Rhizoecus*) *hibisci*, Andean potato weevil complex (*Premnotrypes* spp), *Helicoverpa* (= *Heliothis*) *zea*. The comments were answered and changes were implemented in the draft categorisations as appropriate. All three opinions will be presented for possible adoption at the June meeting of the Plant Health Panel

6. Any Other Business

Not relevant.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of the WG is scheduled for 5 June 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 53rd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 22 May 2020

(Agreed on 26 May 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Lucia Zappalà.

2. Adoption of agenda

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



The agenda was adopted after adding a presentation on a new tool developed for mapping occurrence of pests and climates.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 52nd Working Group meeting held on 14 and 15 May 2020.

The minutes of the 52nd Working Group meeting held on 14 and 15 May 2020 were agreed on 19 May and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion whether the import of bananas constitutes a potential pathway for the importation of non-EU Tephritidae into the EU (M-2020-0075)

Terms of references (ToR) of the new mandate from the European Commission were shared with WG members and preliminary list of tasks for this new activity was created, including the additional expertise needed.

6. Any Other Business

The timelines and different tasks for the remaining projects were briefly discussed and agreed.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 4th June 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 52nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 14-15 May 2020

(Agreed on 19 May 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Andrea Maiorano (14 May), Virág Kertész (14 May) and Franz Streissl.

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted after adding a presentation on a new tool developed for mapping occurrence of pests and climates.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 51st Working Group meeting held on 8 May 2020.

The minutes of the 50st Working Group meeting held on 8 May 2020 were agreed on 13 May and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Tool for mapping of pest distribution and suitable climates

A tool developed by the PLH team of the ALPHA Unit was presented to the working group. The R-based tool enables reading of published data to generate pest distribution maps which can be used in the context of pest categorisations. Feedback regarding the map layout and the needs of pest categorisation was provided.

5.2. Pest categorisations of *Haplaxius (Myndus) crudus* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122) and *Rhizoecus hibisci* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122)

The experts reviewed the advanced drafts of the pest categorisation opinion on *Ripersiella* (= *Rhizoecus*) *hibisci*. The draft pest categorisation of *Haplaxius* (= *Myndus*) *crudus* was discussed and the draft was further elaborated.

6. Any Other Business

The timelines and different tasks for the remaining pest categorisations were discussed and agreed.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of the WG is scheduled for 22nd May 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 51st MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 8 May 2020

(Agreed on 11 May 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Virág Kertész and Franz Streissl.

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 50th Working Group meeting held on 22 April 2020.

The minutes of the 50th Working Group meeting held on 22 April 2020 were agreed on 28 April and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Premnotrypes* spp. (EFSA-Q-2020-00124) and Pest categorisation of *Helicoverpa zea* (EFSA-Q-2020-00123)

The experts reviewed the advanced drafts of the two pest categorisation opinions: *Premnotrypes* spp. and *Helicoverpa zea*. It was recognized that the intention of listing *Premnotrypes* (non-EU) as quarantine pests within EU plant health legislation is due to the threat they present to EU potatoes from Andean weevils that complete their development on potatoes, the WG has interpreted the terms of reference such that the group under scrutiny in this opinion is the Andean Potato Weevil (APW) complex consisting of twelve species of *Premnotrypes*, *Phyrdenus muriceus* and *Rhigopsidius tucumanus*. The draft opinions were finalised for being sent to the plant health panel for reviewing.

5.2. Pest categorisations of *Haplaxius (Myndus) crudus* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122) and *Rhizoecus hibisci* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122)

Due to lack of time the agenda point on pest categorisations of *Haplaxius* (= *Myndus*) *crudus* and *Ripersiella* (= *Rhizoecus*) *hibisci* were postponed to the next meeting.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting(s)

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 14-15th May 2020.



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 50th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 22 April 2020

(Agreed on 28 April 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl. For agenda item 5.1:
Giuseppe Stancanelli and Virág Kertész.

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 48th Working Group meeting held on 20 March 2020.

The minutes of the 49th Working Group meeting held on 26-27 March 2020 were agreed on 30 March 2020 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Presentation and organisation of a future mandate on fruit flies on *Musa* species

The WG was informed about a possible new task on fruit flies (Tephritidae) on *Musa* (banana and related fruits including plantain) species. The timelines and the organisation of taking on this new activity were discussed.

5.2. Pest categorisations of *Premnotrypes* spp. (EFSA-Q-2020-00124) and Pest categorisation of *Helicoverpa zea* (EFSA-Q-2020-00123)

WG members informed on the progress of the different sections of the two pest categorisation opinions: *Premnotrypes* spp. and *Helicoverpa zea*. Feedback was given on the different sections and the presentation of cultivation data in the opinions was discussed and agreed. The draft opinions were further elaborated during the meeting.

5.3. Pest categorisations of *Haplaxius (Myndus) crudus* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122) and *Rhizoecus hibisci* (EFSA-Q-2020-00122)

Queries of Eurostat databases were made to retrieve data on trade and cultivation of potential host plants and a literature search was conducted for both pest species.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 8th May 2020.



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 49th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 26 and 27 March 2020

(Agreed on 30 March 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 48th Working Group meeting held on 20 March 2020.

The minutes of the 48th Working Group meeting held on 20 March 2020 were agreed on 23 March 2020 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Premnotrypes* spp. (EFSA-Q-2020-00124) and Pest categorisation of *Helicoverpa zea* (EFSA-Q-2020-00123)

WG members drafted different sections of the two pest categorisation opinions: *Premnotrypes* spp. and *Helicoverpa zea*. Terms of reference of *Premnotrypes* spp. was discussed in details and strategy to follow was chosen. Pest taxonomy, biology and establishment were filled in both opinions. Crop production data in Europe was consulted in the Eurostat. Detailed literature search and publication retrieval is ongoing.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 22 of April 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 48th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 20 March 2020

(Agreed on 23 March 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted with minor change. WG members postponed *Premnotrypes* spp. pest categorisation point to the next meeting.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 47th Working Group meeting held on 28 February 2020.

The minutes of the 47th Working Group meeting held on 28 February 2020 were agreed on 4 March 2020 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Exomala (Anomala) orientalis* (EFSA-Q-2019-00581), *Naupactus leucoloma* (EFSA-Q-2019-00582)

WG members discussed the comments received from the EFSA PLH Panel on the drafts: draft pest categorisation for *Exomala (Anomala) orientalis* and *Naupactus leucoloma*. Changes were implemented in both documents.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 26 and 27 of March 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 47th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 28 February 2020

(Agreed on 4 March 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 46th Working Group meeting held on 30-31 January 2020.

The minutes of the 46th Working Group meeting held on 30-31 January 2020 were agreed on 5 February 2020 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Anomala orientalis* (EFSA-Q-2019-00581), *Naupactus leucoloma* (EFSA-Q-2019-00582) and Pest categorisation of *Premnotrypes* spp. (EFSA-Q-2020-00124)

WG members discussed the draft pest categorisation for *Anomala orientalis* and *Naupactus leucoloma*. The drafts were harmonised and finalised for panel consultation. The discussion on the draft opinion for *Premnotrypes* spp. was postponed to the next meeting due to lack of time.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 20 March 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 46th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 30 and 31 January 2020

(Agreed on 05 February 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Alan MacLeod.

2. Adoption of agenda

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



The agenda was adopted with some changes. Originally planned to September, *Premnotrypes* spp. pest categorisation was anticipated.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 45th Working Group meeting held on 24 January 2020 by Web-conference.

The minutes of the 45th Working Group meeting held on 24 January 2020 were agreed on 28 January 2020 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

- 5.1. Pest categorisations of *Amauomyza maculosa* (EFSA-Q-2019-00578), *Liriomyza bryoniae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00580), *Liriomyza sativae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00579)

WG members discussed the feedback received from the PLH Panel members during the PLH Plenary meeting in Parma.

- 5.2. Pest categorisation of *Naupactus leucoloma* (EFSA-Q-2019-00582), *Anomala orientalis* (EFSA-Q-2019-00581), *Premnotrypes* spp. (EFSA-Q-2020 – 00124)

WG members checked the available literature sources about *Naupactus leucoloma*, *Anomala orientalis* and *Premnotrypes* spp. and initiated drafting the three scientific opinions. Species within the *Premnotrypes* spp. complex were discussed.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 28 February 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 45th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 24 January 2020

(Agreed on 28 January 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 44th Working Group meeting held on 8 January 2020 by Web-conference.

The minutes of the 44th Working Group meeting held on 8 January 2020 were agreed on 13 January 2020 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Amauromyza maculosa* (EFSA-Q-2019-00578), *Liriomyza bryoniae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00580), *Liriomyza sativae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00579)

WG members discussed the feedback received from the PLH Panel members on three drafts: draft pest categorisation for *Nemorimyza* (*Amauromyza*) *maculosa*, *Liriomyza bryoniae* and *Liriomyza sativae*. The drafts were discussed again, and changes were introduced.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 30-31 January 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 44th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 8 January 2020

(Agreed on 13 January 2020)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 43rd Working Group meeting held on 12 December 2019 by Web-conference.

The minutes of the 43rd Working Group meeting held on 12 December 2019 were agreed on the same day (12 December 2019) and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Amauromyza maculosa* (EFSA-Q-2019-00578), *Liriomyza bryoniae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00580), *Liriomyza sativae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00579)

WG members discussed the draft pest categorisation for *Nemorimyza* (= *Amauromyza*) *maculosa*, *Liriomyza bryoniae* and *Liriomyza sativae*. The drafts were harmonised and finalised for panel consultation.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 24 January 2020.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 43rd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 12 December 2019

(Agreed on 12 December 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 42nd Working Group meeting held on 21 and 22 of November in Parma.

The minutes of the 42nd Working Group meeting held on 21 and 22 November 2019 in Parma were agreed by written procedure on 22 November 2019 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Amauromyza maculosa* (EFSA-Q-2019-00578), *Liriomyza bryoniae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00580), *Liriomyza sativae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00579)

WG members discussed implementation of the new Regulation 2016/2031 in the pest categorisation template. Recognising that the Regulation uses EPPO codes, the WG developed text to provide an explanation of EPPO codes in the template. *Amauromyza maculosa*, *Liriomyza bryoniae* and *Liriomyza sativae* pest categorisations were drafted. *Liriomyza bryoniae* and *Liriomyza sativae* were discussed in the aspect of their capacity to transmit vectors.

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings were planned.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 8 of January.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 42nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

Held in Parma 21 and 22 November 2019

(Agreed on 22 November 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 41st Working Group meeting held on 14 November via WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 41st Working Group meeting held on 14 November 2019 via teleconference were agreed by written procedure on 18 November 2019 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisations of *Amauromyza maculosa* (EFSA-Q-2019-00578), *Liriomyza bryoniae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00580), *Liriomyza sativae* (EFSA-Q-2019-00579)

WG members started to draft the documents on three Agromyzidae pests (leaf miners): *Amauromyza maculosa*, *Liriomyza bryoniae*, *Liriomyza sativae* pest categorisation. Data on geographic distribution, general biology, host plants was extracted. Crop production of the major host plants was consulted in Eurostat and other sources. References for each of the pests were collected.

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings were planned.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 12 of December.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 41st MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 14 November 2019

(Agreed on 18 November 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 40th Working Group meeting held on 14 October via WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 40th Working Group meeting held on 14 October 2019 via teleconference were agreed by written procedure on 21 October 2019 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of non EU Tephritidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00273)

WG members addressed PLH Panel comments on the non-EU Tephritidae draft. WG worked on the finalisation of the draft for the possible adoption during November PLH Plenary. Changes were made to the decision tree and as a consequence appendices were rearranged. The taxonomy section was enriched with more detailed information regarding species complexes. Additional information regarding impact was added.

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings were planned.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 21 and 22 November

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Animal Health and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 40th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 18 October 2019

(Agreed on 21 October 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 39th Working Group meeting held on 23,26-27 September via WEB-conference and on-site.

The minutes of the 39th Working Group meeting held on 23 (online) and continued 26-27 September 2019 in Parma were agreed by written procedure on 27 September 2019 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of *Spodoptera eridania* (EFSA-Q-2019-00424)

WG replied to the comments of the PLH Panel on the pest categorisation of *Spodoptera eridania*. This opinion will be presented for possible adoption during the EFSA PLH Panel during the November Plenary meeting.

5.2. Pest categorisation of non EU Tephritidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00273)

WG worked on the host plant list of fruit flies, especially those hosts occurring in Europe, which are cultivated and the wild host plants (weeds). Some changes in the methodology of grouping were implemented to increase the clarity of the flies listing.

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings was confirmed.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 14th of November

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 39th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 23 and 26-27 September 2019

(Agreed on 27 September 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Franz Streissl

n Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Josep Anton Jaques Miret 23/09 and from Lucia Zappalà 26 and 27 /09

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 38th Working Group meeting held on 22 and 24 July, WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 38th Working Group meeting held on 22 and 24 July 2019 were agreed by written procedure on 25 July 2019 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of *Diabrotica virgifera zea* (EFSA-Q-2019-00133)

Comments from PLH Panel were addressed in the final draft.

5.2. Pest categorisation of *Diabrotica barberi* (EFSA-Q-2019-00132)

Comments from PLH Panel were addressed in the final draft.

5.3. Pest categorisation of *Spodoptera eridania* (EFSA-Q-2019-00424)

WG checked the current status of the document and discussed the new elements in the text. List of references was completed.

5.4. Pest categorisation of non-EU Tephritidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00273)

WG received the final deliverables from the Tasking Grant and implemented changes in the structure of the document. Tables on host plants and geographic distribution were added. Grouping of the fruit flies (Tephritidae) were discussed and appropriate lists were created. Species distribution was compared with different climate types. References were added.

WG discussed the first feedback comments from the MS.

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings was confirmed.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 18th of October

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 38th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 22 and 24 July 2019

(Agreed on 25 July 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Tasking grant holder
Elma Bali
Nikos Papadopoulos (24/07/2019)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Josep Anton Jaques Miret 24 July.

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 37th Working Group meeting held on 11 and 12 July, WEB-conference.

The minutes of the 37th Working Group meeting held on 11 and 12 July 2019 were agreed by written procedure on 18th July 2019 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of *Diabrotica virgifera zea* (EFSA-Q-2019-00133)

The WG members drafted the scientific opinion on the pest categorisation of *Diabrotica virgifera zea*. All parts were finalised, and draft was circulated to PLH Panel for comments.

5.2. Pest categorisation of *Spodoptera eridania* (EFSA-Q-2019-00424)

WG checked the current status of the document and discussed the new elements in the text.

5.3. Pest categorisation of non EU Tephritidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00273)

The Tasking Grant holder updated the WG about progress. WG members and Tasking Grant holder drafted different parts of the scientific opinion on the pest categorisation of non-EU Tephritidae.

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings was confirmed.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 23rd of September.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 37th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference 11 and 12 July 2019

(Agreed on 18 July 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Tasking grant holder
Elma Bali

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 36th Working Group meeting held on 26th, 27th and 28th June 2019, WEB-conference and on-site in Parma.

The minutes of the 36th Working Group meeting held on 26th, 27th and 28th June 2019 were agreed by written procedure on 8th July 2019 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of *Diabrotica virgifera zea* (EFSA-Q-2019-00133)

The WG drafted the scientific opinion on the pest categorisation of *Diabrotica virgifera zea*, particularly the establishment section and the map of distribution was created.

5.2. Pest categorisation of *Spodoptera eridania* (EFSA-Q-2019-00424)

All necessary data concerning the biology, distribution hosts and interceptions of *Spodoptera eridania* was collected (Europhyt interceptions, crop production and trade data, climatic data, peer-review and grey literature).

5.3. Pest categorisation of non EU Tephritidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00273)

WG members and Tasking grant holder drafted the documents for the possible MS consultation on the list of non-EU fruit flies. Data on fruit flies is being harmonised and analysed. Some sections of the opinion were drafted.

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings was confirmed.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 22nd of July.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 36th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference and on-site in Parma, 26, 27 and 28 June 2019

(Agreed on 08 July 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà (via web 26 of June)

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Tasking grant holder
Elma Bali

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Lucia Zappalà 27 and 28 June and from Alan MacLeod 26 June.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted with some minor changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 35th Working Group meeting held on 14th June 2019, WEB.

The minutes of the 35th Working Group meeting held on 14th June 2019 were agreed by written procedure on 25th June 2019 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of non-EU Tephritidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00273)

Tasking grant holder presented the possible approach on the categorisation and progress in opinion writing.

5.2. Pest categorisation of *Diabrotica barberi* (EFSA-Q-2019-00132)

Scientific opinion on pest categorisation of *Diabrotica barberi* was finalised and sent to the PLH Panel for comments.

5.3. Pest categorisation of *Diabrotica virgifera zea* (EFSA-Q-2019-00133)

Data retrieval from the papers proceeds for this pest and the primary study papers were ordered.

5.4. Pest categorisation of *Spodoptera eridiana* (EFSA-Q-2019-00424)

Interpretation of ToR were drafted and clarification about the species authority added. Data search was made for the *Spodoptera eridiana* opinion.

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings was confirmed.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 11th of July.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 35th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference, 14 June 2019

(Agreed on 24 June 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Tasking grant holder

Elma Bali

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Chris Malumphy and Lucia Zappalà.

2. Adoption of agenda

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



The agenda was adopted with some minor changes, including postponing discussion on *Diabrotica virgifera zea* (EFSA-Q-2019-00133).

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 34th Working Group meeting held on 3rd June 2019, WEB.

The minutes of the 34th Working Group meeting held on 3rd June 2019 were agreed by written procedure on 7th June 2019 and were published on the EFSA website.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of non-EU Tephritidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00273)

Tasking grant holder showed the first draft of the opinion to the WG. WG discussed the visualisation of data.

5.2. Pest categorisation of *Diabrotica barberi* (EFSA-Q-2019-00132)

The detailed biology of the pest was described and legislation regarding the host plant (maize) was consulted with Directive 2000/29. WG members focused on drafting different sections of the opinion (detection and identification of the pest, distribution, intraspecific diversity).

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings was briefly checked and also implementation of new world of digital working in EFSA was discussed (Microsoft Teams and Office 365)

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 26th of June.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 34th MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference, 03 June 2019

(Agreed on 07 June 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Tasking grant holder
Elma Bali

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Chris Malumphy.

2. Adoption of agenda

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



The agenda was adopted with some minor changes, including postponing discussion on *Spodoptera litura* pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2019-00131).

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 33rd Working Group meeting held on 2nd and 3rd May 2019, WEB.

The minutes of the 33rd Working Group meeting held on 2nd and 3rd May 2019 were agreed by written procedure on 7th May 2019 and were published on the EFSA website that day.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of non-EU Cicadomorpha, vectors of *Xylella* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00792)

The WG discussed the feedback from May Plenary meeting and finalised the document for publication.

5.2. Pest categorisation of non EU Tephritidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00273)

Brief update was made on the progress of the opinion by the Tasking grand holder.

5.3. Pest categorisation of *Diabrotica virgifera zea* (EFSA-Q-2019-00133)

All necessary data concerning the biology, distribution hosts and interceptions of *Diabrotica virgifera zea* was collected (Europhyt interceptions, Eurostat data, climatic data, literature review).

5.4. Pest categorisation of *Diabrotica barberi* (EFSA-Q-2019-00132)

All necessary data concerning the biology, distribution, hosts and interceptions of *Diabrotica barberi* was collected (Europhyt interceptions, Eurostat data, climatic data, literature review).

6. Any Other Business

Schedule of the future projects and meetings was discussed.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 14th of June.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 33rd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB-conference, 02 and 03 May 2019

(Agreed on 07 May 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà
Chris Malumphy

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Tasking grant holder
Elma Bali

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 32nd Working Group meeting held on 11 and 12 April 2019, Parma and WEB.

The minutes of the 32nd Working Group meeting held on 11th and 12th April 2019 were agreed by written procedure on 23rd April 2019 and were published on the EFSA website that day.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of non-EU Cicadomorpha, vectors of *Xylella* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00792)

The WG discussed Panel members' comments on the draft of Pest categorisation of non-EU Cicadomorpha vectors of *Xylella* spp. known to be associated with plant diseases. In light of comments received, modifications to the text were made. These will be presented to the Panel during the May Plenary meeting.

5.2. Pest categorisation of *Spodoptera litura* (EFSA-Q-2019-00131)

Spodoptera litura pest categorisation first draft was prepared and all necessary data was collected (Europhyt interceptions, Eurostat data etc., climatic data).

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 3rd of June.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

MINUTES OF THE 32nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

Held on 11 and 12 April 2019, Parma

(Agreed on 23rd April 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)
Lucia Zappalà

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Animal Health and Plant Health: Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Tasking grant holder:
Nikos Papadopoulos
Stella Papanastasiou
Elma Bali

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Chris Malumphy.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 31st Working Group meeting held on 28 and 29 March 2019, Parma and WEB.

The minutes of the 31st Working Group meeting held on 28th and 29th March 2019 were agreed by written procedure on 2nd April 2019 and were published on the EFSA website that day.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of non-EU Cicadomorpha, vectors of *Xylella* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00792)

The WG completed drafting of the pest categorisation opinion of non-EU Cicadomorpha, vectors of *Xylella* spp. The draft was to be sent to the Panel for comments as soon as possible after this meeting.

5.2. Pest categorisation of non-EU Tephritidae (fruit flies) (EFSA-Q-2018-00273)

Presentations of the work (done and ongoing) were given by the members of the tasking grant team. Extended discussion on, and testing of, the use of the Excel files was made. The chair of the WG presented the pest categorisation template and divided the work to be done between WG and the tasking grant team.

6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for the 2nd of May.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON PLANT HEALTH

MINUTES OF THE 31ST MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

Held on 28 and 29 March 2019, Parma
and WEB - conference

(Agreed on 02 April 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair) via WEB-conference

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)

Lucia Zappalà

Chris Malumphy

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Not applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 30th Working Group meeting

The minutes of the 30th Working Group meeting (March 15th and 22th) were agreed by written procedure on 27th March 2019 and were published on the EFSA website that day.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of non - EU Cicadomorpha (EFSA-Q-2018-00792) vectors of *Xylella* spp.

The draft pest categorisation of non-EU Cicadomorpha vectors of *Xylella* spp. was reorganised in order to highlight the strategy of narrowing down the species list. Hosts of the relevant vector species were checked in different databases and publications and the distinction between major crops affected and other hosts was provided. The mechanism of transmission of *Xylella* by sharpshooters and spittlebugs was discussed. Text on the establishment section, specifically climatic conditions, was developed for the opinion.

5.2. Pest categorisation of *Spodoptera litura* (EFSA-Q-2019-00131)

Data collection on the biology, distribution and hosts of *Spodoptera litura* was initiated. Europhyt interception data was analysed.

6. Any Other Business

Not applicable.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled for 11th and 12th of April in Parma.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON PLANT HEALTH

MINUTES OF THE 30TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON AGRICULTURAL INSECTS PEST CATEGORISATION

WEB -conference, 15 and 22 March 2019

(Agreed on 27 March 2019)

Participants

n Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (Chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-Chair)

Lucia Zappalà

Chris Malumphy

n Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

n European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

n EFSA:

Ewelina Czwieniczek

n Others:

Elma Bali Tephritidae (Fruit flies) tasking grant holder

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Agreement of the minutes of the 29th Working Group meeting held on WEB -conference.

The minutes of the 29th Working Group meeting were agreed by written procedure on 19 February 2019 and were published on the EFSA website on that day.

5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1. Pest categorisation of non-EU Margarodidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00791)

WG members discussed the comments received by PLH Panel and the draft was changed accordingly.

5.2. Pest categorisation of non - EU Cicadomorpha (EFSA-Q-2018-00792) vectors of *Xylella* spp.

WG members prepared detailed tables on the feeding preferences/habitat and main hosts for approximately 50 species, which should be further categorised. Text was revised and discussion on some of the species continues.

5.3. Pest categorisation of non-EU Tephritidae (Fruit flies)

Tasking grant holder presented the preliminary agenda for the next month meeting with all group from the University of Thessaly.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Microsoft Office 365 was used in the shared point for the first time, to facilitate the WG work.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting of this WG is scheduled 28 and 29 of March in Parma.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 29th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held in Parma and via web-conference on 14.02.2019 and 15.02.2019

(Agreed on 19-02-2019)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-chair)
Lucia Zappalà (member)
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Other members:**
Chris Malumphy (Fera, UK) via web-conference
Elma Bali (Tasking grant holder)
João Roberto Spotti Lopes (Laboratório de Transmissão de Fitopatógenos por Insetos Departamento de Entomologia e Acarologia, Brazil) via web-conference

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies from Alan MacLeod, Chris Malumphy, Lucia Zappalà were received on 14/02.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest², EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

On 14/02 and 15/02 WG discussed non EU-Cicadomorpha known to vector plant pathogenic *Xylella* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00792). A new title for this output was suggested. WG received the presentation from *Xylella fastidiosa* expert Joao Lopes titled: Diversity of xylem feeders and their role in epidemiology of diseases caused by *Xylella fastidiosa*. The list of non-EU vectors has been developed further due to the synonyms of some species names, new findings in the literature and following input from expert consultation.

On the second day (morning session) 15/02, WG members focused on the 'Non-EU Margarodidae' (EFSA-Q-2018-00791) categorisation. New articles have been checked and new parts of the draft inserted. An update on the non-EU fruit flies (Tephritidae) (EFSA-Q-2018-00273) project was provided. WG continued drafting the non-EU Cicadomorpha and non-EU Margarodidae opinions in the afternoon session.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable.

6. Next meeting(s)

Next meetings will be organised in March.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 28th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held in Parma and via web-conference on 01.02.2019

(Agreed on 04-02-2019)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-chair)
Lucia Zappalà (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Other members:**
Chris Malumphy (Fera) via web-conference
Elma Bali (Tasking grant holder)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

After being adopted during PLH Open Plenary January 29-30th, the *Thrips palmi* pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2018-00754) was checked for any necessary minor editorial issues and will be sent for publication. WG received a detailed update on current projects: Pest categorisations of non-EU Margarodidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00791) and non-EU Cicadomorpha, vectors of *Xylella* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00792). Currently WG is focused on these two group pest categorisations and also on pest categorisation of non-EU fruit flies (Tephritidae) (EFSA-Q-2018-00273) supported by tasking grant holder.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable.

6. Next meeting(s)

The schedule of the meetings for 2019 was preliminarily discussed.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 27th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held by WEB-conference on 28.01.2019

(Agreed on 04-02-2019)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-chair)
Lucia Zappalà (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Other members:**
Chris Malumphy (Fera)
Elma Bali (Tasking grant holder)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

The comments from the PLH Panel on *Thrips palmi* (EFSA-Q-2018-00754) pest categorisation were received and implemented into the draft. The draft was reshaped and some parts were shortened. The WG received brief updates on two current projects: Pest categorisations of non-EU Margarodidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00791) and non-European Cicadomorpha, vectors of *Xylella* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00792).

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable.

6. Next meeting(s)

Not Applicable.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 26th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held by WEB-conference on 09.01.2019 and 10.01.2019

(Agreed on 14-01-2019)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-chair)
Lucia Zappalà (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Other members:**
Chris Malumphy (Fera)
Elma Bali (Tasking grant holder)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

WG received an update on current projects: Pest categorisations of non-EU Margarodidae (EFSA-Q-2018-00791) and non-European Cicadomorpha vectors of *Xylella* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00792).

The *Thrips palmi* (EFSA-Q-2018-00754) pest categorisation was finalised and sent to the PLH Panel for comments.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable.

6. Next meeting(s)

Not Applicable.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 25th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held on site in Parma, on 10.12.2018 and 11.12.2018

(Agreed on 12-12-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (vice-chair)
Lucia Zappalà (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Other members:**
Nikolaos Papadopoulos, Stella Papanastasiou, Elma Bali (Tephritidae (Fruit flies) Tasking grant holders)
Chris Malumphy (FERA)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

EFSA gave an update on current status of the publication of the opinions on the pest categorisations of *Grapholita prunivora* (EFSA-Q-2018-00028), *Grapholita inopinata* (EFSA-Q-2018-00026), *Carposina sasakii* (EFSA-Q-2018-00027).

The literature search for *Margarodes* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00791) was done and the list of species to be included in the opinion was created. It was noted that the mandate refers to non-European *Margarodes* spp. but due to taxonomic changes, i.e. the reassigning of some *Margarodes* pest species to other genera, it was agreed that all non-European Margarodidae are to be considered.

The WG created the list of non-European Cicadomorpha (EFSA-Q-2018-00792), vectors of *Xylella* spp., which will be categorised in due course.

The interceptions of *Thrips palmi* (EFSA-Q-2018-00754) were discussed in detail together with text to be included in the pest categorisation opinion.

WG was updated by the Tephritidae tasking grant holder on the progress of the data search and possible data organisation to facilitate data extraction.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

6. Next meeting(s)

Additional meetings were discussed and planned.

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 24th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held on site in Parma, on 22.11.2018 and 23.11.2018

(Agreed on 26-11-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
Lucia Zappalà (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Tephritidae (Fruit flies) Tasking grant holder: Elma Bali

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

The legislation of the pest categorisation of *Grapholita prunivora* (EFSA-Q-2018-00028) was checked and changed according to the Panel suggestions. WG started to retrieve data for the group pest categorisation of non-European Cicadomorpha (EFSA-Q-2018-00792) from *Xylella* spp. host plant database. Supplementary literature search of 2017 and 2018 publications was made for this request. WG focused on the data structure of Tephritidae (Fruit flies) database provided by the Tasking grant holder and the way of possible modifications and simplifications.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Not Applicable

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 23rd meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held on site in Valencia, on 13.11.2018 and 14.11.2018

(Agreed on 26-11-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**

Alan MacLeod (chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)

Lucia Zappalà (member)

- **Hearing Experts¹:**

Not Applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Not Applicable

- **EFSA:**

PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek

- **Others:**

Tephritidae (Fruit flies) Tasking grant holder: Nikos T Papadopoulos (via phone call)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

Comments received from the PLH Panel regarding the draft pest categorisation of *Grapholita inopinata* (EFSA-Q-2018-00026) were addressed and changes were implemented. The group started to discuss and design how to approach the big group pest categorisation (more than 30,000 species) of non-EU vectors of *Xylella* spp.). A decision tree was created to narrow down the list of the species to be categorised. The Agricultural Pest WG discussed the template of *Thrips palmi* pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2018-00754) with particular focus on EU interceptions. The WG had a brief phone call with the Tephritidae tasking grant holder (Fruit flies pest categorisation EFSA-Q-2018-00273) to see the possibilities of the opinion organisations, regarding the fruit flies pest categorisation(s).

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Not Applicable

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 22nd (part B) meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held by WEB-conference, on 08.11.2018

(Agreed on 12-11-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
Lucia Zappalà
- **External Members:**
Chris Malumphy
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek, Elma Bali
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

WG received an extensive presentation about the *Margarodes* spp. insect group. Work on this group categorisation was organised and meetings were scheduled.

The comments received so far from PLH Panel regarding *Grapholita inopinata* (EFSA-Q-2018-00026) were addressed.

The new WG members (LZ and CM) received an introduction to the way of work of this WG from the Chair.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Experts were asked to check their availability for the following months.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 22nd (part A) meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held on site by WEB-conference, on 31.10.2018

(Agreed on 08-11-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

The comments from PLH Panel regarding the two opinions of pest categorisations of *Grapholita* (= *Enarmonia*) *prunivora* (EFSA-Q-2018-00028) and *Carposina sasakii* (= *niponensis*) (EFSA-Q-2018-00027) were discussed and text was changed accordingly. The WG focused on the finalisation of the pest categorisation draft of *Grapholita inopinata* (EFSA-Q-2018-00026), which was send to the PLH Panel for the commenting phase. The three above mentioned opinions will be put for the adoption during the next PLH Plenary meeting.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Additional meeting was scheduled.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 21st meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held on site by WEB-conference, on 10.10.2018

(Agreed on 30-10-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

The draft opinions on pest categorisations of *Grapholita* (= *Enarmonia*) *prunivora* (EFSA-Q-2018-00028) and *Carposina sasakii* (= *niponensis*) (EFSA-Q-2018-00027) were reviewed and discussed and further elaborated by the working group in order to finalise and share them with the PLH Panel for their comments. WG members checked the missing references regarding these two pests.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates were adjusted.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 20th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held on site in Parma, on 27.09.2018 and 28.09.2018

(Agreed on 11-10-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

Pest categorisation of *Aleurocanthus* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00022), Pest categorisation of *Sternochetus mangiferae* (EFSA-Q-2018-00023), Pest categorisation of *Conotrachelus nenuphar* (EFSA-Q-2018-00025), Pest categorisation of *Popillia japonica* (EFSA-Q-2018-00489), Pest categorisation of *Acrobasis (Numonia) pirivorella* (EFSA-Q-2018-00024) were prepared for the publication and some minor comments and suggestions from the PLH Panel members were implemented. Work on the following pest categorisations: *Grapholita (=Enarmonia) prunivora* (EFSA-Q-2018-00028) and *Carposina niponensis* (EFSA-Q-2018-00027), *Grapholita inopinata* (EFSA-Q-2018-00026) was continued. WG members have checked the available references in the original languages and its official translations.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates were agreed until the end of the year.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 19th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held by WEB-conference and on site in Parma, on 14.09.2018

(Agreed on 14-09-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair) participation via web-conference
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member) participation on-site in Parma
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
Elma Bali (Tephritidae tasking grant)
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

Pest categorisations of *Popillia japonica* (EFSA-Q-2018-00489) and Pest categorisation of *Acrobasis pirivorella* (EFSA-Q-2018-00024) comments from the PLH Panel has been discussed. Data collection on *Grapholita inopinata* (EFSA-Q-2018-00026), *Grapholita*(=*Enarmonia*) *prunivora* (EFSA-Q-2018-00028) and *Carposina niponensis* (EFSA-Q-2018-00027) was initiated. Tasking grant holder presented the progress on the Fruit flies (Tephritidae) project.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates were agreed until the end of the year.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 18th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held by WEB-conference on 05 September 2018,

(Agreed on 14-09-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Elma Bali (Tasking grant)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

Pest categorisation of *Aleurocanthus* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00022), Pest categorisation of *Sternonchetus mangiferae* (EFSA-Q-2018-00023), Pest categorisation of *Conotrachelus nenuphar* (EFSA-Q-2018-00025) comments from the Panel have been discussed and implemented. Pest categorisation of *Popillia japonica* (EFSA-Q-2018-00489) and Pest categorisation of *Acrobasis (Numonia) pyrivorella* (EFSA-Q-2018- 00024) were drafted.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates were agreed until the end of the year.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 17th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held by WEB-conference on 30 and 31 July 2018,

(Agreed on 02-08-2018)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory..

Aleurocanthus spp. pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2018-00022), *Sternonchetus mangiferae* pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2018-00023), *Conotrachelus nenuphar* pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2018-00025) have been finalised and sent to the PLH Panel for comments. *Numonia pyrivorella* (EFSA-Q-2018-00024) and *Popillia japonica* (EFSA-Q-2018-00489) have been discussed and drafted.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates were agreed until the end of the year.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 16th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held by in Parma on 23 and 24 July 2018,

(Agreed on 02-08-2017)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
Maria Navajas (member) via web
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects for the EU territory.

Aleurocanthus spp. pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2018-00022), *Sternonchetus mangiferae* pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2018-00023), *Conotrachelus nenuphar* pest categorisation (EFSA-Q-2018-00025) have been discussed and drafted.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates were agreed.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 15th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held on 1 June 2018, web meeting

(Agreed on 1 June 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair), Josep Anton Jaques Miret, Maria Navajas
- **Hearing Experts:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
ALPHA Unit: Virag Kertesz
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest², EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion on Agricultural Insects

4.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion on the risk to plant health of *Leucaspis japonica* (EFSA-Q-2018-00021) and *Aleurocanthus* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00022) for the EU territory

The draft opinions on *Leucaspis japonica* and *Aleurocanthus* spp. were reviewed, discussed and further elaborated by the working group in order to finalise and present them for possible adoption at the June meeting of the Plant Health Panel.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will take place on 23-24 July 2018, in Parma.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 14th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held on 15&17-18 May 2018, Parma

(Agreed on 18 May 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair), Josep Anton Jaques Miret, Maria Navajas
- **Hearing Experts:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
ALPHA Unit: Virag Kertesz, Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest², EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion on Agricultural Insects

4.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion on the risk to plant health of *Enarmonia packardii* (EFSA-Q-2018-00020), *Leucaspis japonica* (EFSA-Q-2018-00021) and *Aleurocanthus* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00022) for the EU territory

Following the review of the draft opinion on *Enarmonia packardii* by the Plant Health Panel, the document was updated based on the comments received from the panel, prior to its presentation for adoption at the May plenary meeting. The draft opinions on *Leucaspis japonica* and *Aleurocanthus* spp. were reviewed, discussed and further elaborated by the working group.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting (web-meeting) will take place on 1 June 2018.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 13th meeting of the Working Group on Forest Insects

Held on 10 April 2018, Parma

(Agreed on 10 April 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair), Josep Anton Jaques Miret, Maria Navajas
- **Hearing Experts:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
ALPHA Unit: Virag Kertesz
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 12th meeting of the Working Group on Forest Insects

Held on 13 March 2018, Parma

(Agreed on 13 March 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair), Josep Anton Jaques Miret, Maria Navajas
- **Hearing Experts:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
ALPHA Unit: Virag Kertesz
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest², EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion on Forest Insects

4.1. Request to provide a scientific opinion on the risk to plant health of *Enarmonia packardi* (EFSA-Q-2018-00020) and *Aleurocanthus* spp. (EFSA-Q-2018-00022) for the EU territory

The updated draft opinion on *Enarmonia packardi* was reviewed, discussed and further edited during the meeting. The working group discussed the approach to use for the group categorisation of the genus *Aleurocanthus*.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will take place on 15 May 2018, in Parma.

¹ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Animal and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 11th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held on 26 January 2018 (web-meeting)
(Agreed 29-01-2018 by written procedure)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Alan MacLeod (chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)

- **Hearing Experts¹:**

Not Applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Not Applicable

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA Unit:

Ciro Gardi

- **Others:**

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

Discussions on the pest categorisation of agricultural insect pests

The WG discussed:

1. The pest categorizations circulated, to be adopted in the 71th PLH Plenary:
 - *Scirtothrips aurantii*
 - *Scirtothrips citri*
 - *Unaspis citri*
2. Development of pest categorisation due March 2018
 - *Anthonomus (=Tachypterellus) quadrigibbus*
 - *Leucaspis japonica*
 - *Sternochetus mangiferae*

The WG plans possible dates for the kick-off meeting of Tephritidae family (fruit flies) experts.

5. Next meeting(s)

Next WG meeting is still to be planned.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Animal and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 10th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held on 9 January 2018 (web-meeting)
(Agreed 09-01-2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Alan MacLeod (chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)

- **Hearing Experts¹:**

Not Applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Not Applicable

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA Unit:

Ciro Gardi

- **Others:**

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

Discussions on the pest categorisation of agricultural insect pests

The WG discussed the comments on the pest categorizations circulated:

- o *Scirtothrips aurantii*
- o *Scirtothrips citri*

The WG finalised the pest categorizations on *Unaspis citri*.

The WG plans possible dates for the kick-off meeting of Tephritidae family (fruit flies) experts.

5. Next meeting(s)

Next WG meeting (web meeting) will be held on 26 January 2018.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencpolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Animal and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 9th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held on 12-13- December-2017 Parma (Italy)
(Agreed 13-12-2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Alan MacLeod (chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)

- **Hearing Experts¹:**

Not Applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Not Applicable

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA Unit:

Ciro Gardi

- **Others:**

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

Discussions on the pest categorisation of agricultural insect pests

The WG discussed, with the coordinator of Pest Categorisation (Virag Kerstez), the template to be adopted for the pest group categorisations with specific reference to the activities of those involved in the support tasks to produce categorisations for non-European Tephritidae (fruit flies).

The up-coming activities to be realized within the Tasking Grant on Tephritidae family (fruit flies) were also briefly discussed.

The WG progressed the pest categorizations due January 2018 :

- o *Scirtothrips aurantii*
- o *Scirtothrips citri*
- o *Unaspis citri*

5. Next meeting(s)

Next WG meeting (web meeting) will be held on 9 January 2018.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Animal and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 8th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held on 21-11-2017 Parma (Italy)
(Agreed by written procedure on 22-11-2017)

Participants

- Working Group Members:

Alan MacLeod (chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)

- Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:

Not Applicable

- EFSA:

ALPHA Unit:

Ciro Gardi

- Others:

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

Discussions on the pest categorisation of agricultural insect pests

The WG discussed the comments received from the Panel and amended the documents:

- *Toxoptera citricida* - EFSA-Q-2017-00323
- *Listronotus bonariensis* - EFSA-Q-2017-00198
- *Scrobipalopsis solanivora* - EFSA-Q-2017-00322

The WG shortly discussed the plans for next pest categorisations:

- *Scirtothrips aurantii*
- *Scirtothrips citri*
- *Unaspis citri*

5. Next meeting(s)

Next WG meeting will be held on 12 and 13 December 2017.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Animal and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 7th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held on 8-11-2017 (web-meeting)
(Agreed by written procedure on 8-11-2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Alan MacLeod (chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)

- **Hearing Experts¹:**

Not Applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Not Applicable

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA Unit:

Ciro Gardi

- **Others:**

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects (*Toxoptera citricida* - EFSA-Q-2017-00323, *Listronotus bonariensis* - EFSA-Q-2017-00198, *Scrobipalopsis (Tecia) solanivora* - EFSA-Q-2017-00322) for the EU territory.

The WG discussed the comments received from the Panel.

Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects (*Scirtothrips aurantii*, *Scirtothrips citri* and *Unaspis citri*).

The WG continued to develop the categorisations for each pest including updates on data retrieval, maps. The WG members also discussed a rescheduling proposal for the forthcoming 2018-2019 pest categorisations.

5. Next meeting(s)

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Animal and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 6th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held on 28 and 29 September 2017, Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 29-09-2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Alan MacLeod (chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)

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- **Hearing Experts¹:**

Not Applicable

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- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Not Applicable

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA Unit:

Ciro Gardi

Filippo Bergeretti

- **Others:**

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects (*Anthonomus grandis* and *Anthonomus bisignifer*) risk assessment (EFSA-Q-2017-00197) for the EU territory.

Panel comments on the draft pest categorization for *Hishimonus phycitis* received during plenary were addressed.

Ongoing activities for subsequent categorization were progressed (*Anthonomus grandis* and *Anthonomus bisignifer*).

Subsequent pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects risk assessment (EFSA-Q-2017-00197) for the EU territory, were discussed and a work plan established.

5. Next meeting(s)

Future meetings were planned.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Animal and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 5th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held on 26, 28 and 29 September 2017, Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 26-09-2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Alan MacLeod (chair)

Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)

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- **Hearing Experts¹:**

Not Applicable

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- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Not Applicable

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA Unit:

Ciro Gardi

Filippo Bergeretti

- **Others:**

Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects (*Hishimonus phycitis*, *Anthonomus grandis* and *Anthonomus bisignifer*) risk assessment (EFSA-Q-2017-00566, EFSA-Q-2017-00321, EFSA-Q-2017-00320) for the EU territory.

Panel comments on the draft pest categorization for *Hishimonus phycitis* were addressed.

Ongoing activities for subsequent categorization were planned (especially *Anthonomus grandis* and *Anthonomus bisignifer*), and tasks allocated.

Subsequent pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects risk assessment (EFSA-Q-2017-00197) for the EU territory, were discussed and a work plan established.

5. Next meeting(s)

Future meetings were planned.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencpolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Animal and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 4th meetings of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held by WEB-conference on 06-07-2017

(Agreed on 26-09-2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
ALPHA Unit:
Ciro Gardi
Mitesha Aukhojee
Filippo Bergeretti
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects (*Hishimonus phycitis* and *Anthonomus grandis*) risk assessment (EFSA-Q-2017-00197) for the EU territory.

The workplan for *Hishimonus phycitis* and *Anthonomus grandis* was discussed and the tasks for literature search, data collection and for the finalisation of the document were agreed.

5. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates will be agreed upon soon.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Animal and Plant Health Unit

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 3rd meetings of the Working Group on Agricultural Insects

Held by WEB-conference on 07-06-2017
(Agreed on 22-06-2017 by written procedure)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
ALPHA Unit:
Ciro Gardi
Mitesha Aukhojee
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

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<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects (*Spodoptera frugiperda*) risk assessment (EFSA-Q-2017-00197) for the EU territory.

The *Spodoptera frugiperda* draft pest categorisation was discussed and the tasks for literature search, data collection and for the finalisation of the document were agreed.

5. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates will be agreed upon soon.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held by WEB-conference on 08-05-2017,

(Agreed on 14-05-2017)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
Josep Anton Jaques Miret (member)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects (*Anthonomus signatus*) risk assessment (EFSA-Q-2017-00197) for the EU territory.

The *Anthonomus signatus* draft pest categorisation was finalised and prepared for possible adoption at Plenary meeting in May. Data collection was discussed for the next pest categorisations. Next tasks of the Working Group were agreed and distributed.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates will be agreed upon soon.

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³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

Scientific Panel on Plant Health

Minutes of the 1st meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural insects

Held on 28-03-2017, Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 03-05-2017)

Participants

- **Panel Members:**
Alan MacLeod (chair)
- **Hearing Experts¹:**
Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**
Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
PLH team: Ewelina Czwieniczek
- **Others:**
Not Applicable

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director on the selection of external experts:
<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

4.1. Discussion on the pest categorisation on the risk to plant health of Agricultural insects (*Anthonomus signatus*) risk assessment (EFSA-Q-2017-00197) for the EU territory.

Terms of references of the mandate and expected outputs were discussed. Expertise needed for the specific scope of "Agricultural insects group" was considered. Proposed new template was discussed in details. WG focused on drafting the first pest categorisation that was Pest categorisation for *Anthonomus signatus*. Next steps were agreed.

5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

6. Next meeting(s)

Further meeting dates will be agreed upon soon.

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