

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH UNIT

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 33rd meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 21 January 2019, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 23 January 2019 by written procedure)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Annemarie Fejer Justesen, Antonio Vicent (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Antonio Vicent welcomed the participants.

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. Adoption of the minutes of the 32nd Working Group meetings

The draft minutes of the 32nd working group meeting held on 10 and 11 December 2018 have been adopted and will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Trechispora brinkmannii*

The Working Group reviewed the comments received following the consultation of the PLH Panel and Michael Jeger on the draft pest categorisation of *Phymatotrichopsis omnivora* (incorrectly listed as *Trechispora brinkmannii* in Council Directive 2000/29/EC). The updated version of the pest categorisation will be tabled for possible adoption at the 30-31 January 2019 Plenary meeting of the PLH Panel.

6. Next meetings

As this was the last meeting of the working group, the Chair thanked the participants for the hard work done and their contributions. The working group will be updated via email on the outcome of the Plenary discussion and whether there is a need for an extra meeting to address the comments from the Panel.

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

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

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 32nd meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 10 and 11 December 2018, Parma

(Agreed on 21 January 2019)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Annemarie Fejer Justesen, Antonio Vicent Civera (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Antonio Vicent welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

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the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 31st Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 31st working group meeting held on 7 November 2018 via webconference. The adopted minutes will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Trechispora brinkmannii*

The European Commission was asked to clarify the pathogen and host(s) meant under the name "*Trechispora brinkmannii*", as this pest seems not to be an agricultural fungal pathogen. In an email dated 16 October 2018, the European Commission replied that the pest categorisation should address *Phymatotrichopsis omnivora* (included in the EPPO A1 list).

The working group considered the literature retrieved and started drafting the pest categorisation. When reviewing the literature, the working group realised that Michael Jeger, former Chair of the PLH Panel, is an expert of *P. omnivora*. Decision was made to include him as member of the Working Group so that he can review the pest categorisation early January, together with the PLH Panel, before the pest categorisation is proposed for adoption at the 30 January Plenary meeting.

6. Next meeting(s)

Considering that the draft pest categorisation is well advanced, the webconference initially planned on 9 January was postponed to the 21st of January (from 9.00 to 18.00); the Working Group will review the comments received from the Panel and Michael Jeger, and finalise the pest categorisation so that it can be proposed for adoption end of the month.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 31st meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 7 November 2018, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 10 December 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Annemarie Fejer Justesen, Antonio Vicent (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Antonio Vicent welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 30th Working Group meetings

The draft minutes of the 30th working group meeting held from 3 to 5 October 2018 have been adopted and will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Phyllosticta solitaria*

The Working Group reviewed the comments received from the Plant Health Panel and prepared the final version of the pest categorisation that will be proposed for adoption at the 21-22 November Plenary meeting of the PLH Panel.

5.2. *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii*

The Working Group reviewed the comments received from the Plant Health Panel and prepared the final version of the pest categorisation that will be proposed for adoption at the 21-22 November Plenary meeting of the PLH Panel.

5.3. *Trechispora brinkmannii*

A request was sent to the European Commission to clarify the pathogen and host(s) meant under the name "*Trechispora brinkmannii*", as this pest seems not to be an agricultural fungal pathogen and because "*Trechispora brinkmannii*" is not an accepted taxonomical name anymore. The European Commission clarified that the requested pest categorisation should address *Phymatotrichopsis omnivora* and its hosts.

The working group started gathering existing literature and distributed tasks and responsibilities for the various sections of the pest categorisation. It was noted that *P. omnivora* is polyphagous, infesting 2000 plant species. Decision was made to focus the pest categorisation on cultivated species, and for which impacts have been documented. The working group will meet on 10-11 December 2018 to start drafting the pest categorisation that is due for adoption end of January 2019.

6. Next meetings

- **10-11 December 2018** (from 14.00 on the 10th to 17.00 on the 11th); **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmannii*.
- **9 January 2019** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Finalisation of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmannii*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 30th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held from 3 to 5 October 2018, Parma

(Agreed on 7 November 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Annemarie Fejer Justesen, Antonio Vicent Civera (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Antonio Vicent welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 29th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 29th working group meeting held on 12 September 2018 via webconference. The adopted minutes will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Phyllosticta solitaria*

The working group drafted further the pest categorisation of *Phyllosticta solitaria* (responsible for blotch of apple). The document will be circulated to the Plant Health Panel for review on 25 October. Comments received will be addressed by the Working Group during the 7 November webconference. The pest categorisation will then be submitted for possible adoption at the 21-22 November Plenary meeting.

5.2. *Septoria malagutii*

The working group drafted further the pest categorisation of *Septoria malagutii* (*Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* in the EU legislation), responsible for annular leaf spot of potato. The document will be circulated to the Plant Health Panel for review on 25 October. Comments received will be addressed by the Working Group during the 7 November webconference. The pest categorisation will then be submitted for possible adoption at the 21-22 November Plenary meeting.

5.3. *Trechispora brinkmannii*

The European Commission was asked to clarify the pathogen and host(s) meant under the name “*Trechispora brinkmannii*”, as this pest seems not to be an agricultural fungal pathogen. It was noted that “*Trechispora brinkmannii*” is not an accepted taxonomical name anymore. The Working Group will be informed as soon as clarification has been received.

6. Next meeting(s)

- **7 November 2018** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Finalisation of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.

- **10-11 December 2018** (from 14.00 on the 10th to 15.00 on the 11th); **Parma**. Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmanni*.
- **9 January 2019** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Finalisation of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmanni*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 29th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 12 September 2018, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 3 October 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Annemarie Fejer Justesen, Antonio Vicent (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Antonio Vicent welcomed the participants.

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

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identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 28th Working Group meetings

The draft minutes of the 28th working group meeting held on 17 and 18 July 2018 have been adopted by written procedure on 11 September 2018 and will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Phyllosticta solitaria*

The Working Group reviewed the information collected on *Phyllosticta solitaria* (responsible for blotch of apple). The responsibility for the various sections of the pest categorisation was agreed among the members of the Working Group. The working group will meet next 3 to 5 October to draft further the pest categorisation that is due for adoption at the 21-22 November Plenary meeting of the PLH Panel.

5.2. *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii*

The Working Group reviewed the information collected on *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* (responsible for annular leaf spot of potato). The responsibility for the various sections of the pest categorisation was agreed among the members of the Working Group. The working group will meet next 3 to 5 October to draft further the pest categorisation that is due for adoption at the 21-22 November Plenary meeting of the PLH Panel.

5.3. *Trechispora brinkmannii*

The European Commission was asked to clarify the pathogen and host(s) meant under the name “*Trechispora brinkmannii*”, as this pest seems not to be an agricultural fungal pathogen. It was noted that “*Trechispora brinkmannii* is not an accepted taxonomical name anymore. The Working Group will be informed as soon as clarification has been received.

6. Next meetings

- **3-5 October 2018** (from 9.00 on the 3rd to 17.00 on the 5th); **Parma**. Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*. Drafting of the

pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.

- **7 November 2018** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Finalisation of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.
- **10-11 December 2018** (from 14.00 on the 10th to 15.00 on the 11th); **Parma.** Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmannii*.
- **9 January 2019** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Finalisation of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmannii*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 28th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 17 and 18 July 2018, Parma

(Agreed by written procedure on 11 September 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Antonio Vicent Civera (Chair), Vittorio Rossi¹ and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Antonio Vicent welcomed the participants. It was communicated that, following the renewal of the Plant Health Panel, one of the new mycologists of the Panel will join the Working Group to help with the last three pest categorisations (*Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii*, *Phyllosticta solitaria* and *Trechispora brinkmanni*).

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

¹ Present on Day 2

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 27th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 27th working group meeting held on 21 and 22 June 2018 in Parma. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Thecaphora solani*

The working group revised the pest categorisation to address the comments made by the Plant Health Panel during the 4-5 July 2018 Plenary meeting. The updated document will be recirculated electronically to the Panel for review before it is submitted for formal adoption by written procedure beginning of September 2018.

5.2. *Phoma andina*

The working group drafted the pest categorisation of *Stagonosporopsis andigena* (*Phoma andina* in the EU legislation). The document will be further improved via email exchange before it is circulated to the Plant Health Panel for review early September 2018, and proposed for possible adoption at the 26-27 September Plenary meeting.

6. Next meeting(s)

- **12 September 2018** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.
- **3-5 October 2018** (from 9.00 on the 3rd to 17.00 on the 5th); **Parma.** Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.
- **7 November 2018** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Finalisation of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.

- **5-6 December 2018** (from 9.00 on the 5th to 13.00 on the 6th); **Parma**. Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmanni*.
- **9 January 2019** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Finalisation of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmanni*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 27th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 21 & 22 June 2018, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 18 July 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair)¹, Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

¹ Present on 21 June only

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

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

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. Adoption of the minutes of the 25th and 26th Working Group meetings

The draft minutes of the 25th and 26th working group meeting held on 1 and 8 June 2018 via webconference have been adopted and will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Synchytrium endobioticum*

The Working Group considered the comments made by the Panel during its 20-21 June Plenary meeting to finalise the pest categorisation of *Synchytrium endobioticum* (responsible for potato wart disease). The adopted pest categorisation will be sent to the EFSA Journal for editing and publication.

5.2. *Thecaphora solani*

The Working Group drafted further the pest categorisation of *Thecaphora solani* (responsible for potato smut disease). The draft pest categorisation will be circulated to the PLH Panel for review, and proposed for possible adoption at the 4-5 July 2018 Plenary meeting.

5.3. *Phoma andina*

The Working Group started drafting the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina* (responsible for black blight of potato). Most of the meeting was dedicated to the clarification of the taxonomy of this pest. The working group will meet next 17 and 18 July to draft further the pest categorisation that is due for adoption at the 26-27 September Plenary meeting of the PLH Panel.

6. Next meetings

- **17-18 July 2018** (from 9.00 on the 17th to 13.00 on the 18th); **Parma**. Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisation of *Thecaphora solani*. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*.

- **12 September 2018** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.
- **3-5 October 2018** (from 9.00 on the 3rd to 17.00 on the 5th); **Parma.** Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.
- **7 November 2018** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Finalisation of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.
- **5-6 December 2018** (from 9.00 on the 5th to 13.00 on the 6th); **Parma.** Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmanni*.
- **9 January 2019** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Finalisation of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmanni*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 25th and 26th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 1 & 8 June 2018, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 21 June 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair)¹, Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 24th Working Group meeting

The draft minutes of the 24th working group meeting held on 24 and 25 May 2018 in Parma have been adopted by written procedure and will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Thecaphora solani*

The Working Group drafted the pest categorisation of *Thecaphora solani* (responsible for potato smut disease). The draft pest categorisation will be circulated to the PLH Panel for review, and proposed for possible adoption at the 4-5 July 2018 Plenary meeting.

6. Next meetings

- **21-22 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00 on both days), **Web-conference**. Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisation of *Synchytrium endobioticum*, finalisation of the pest categorisation of *Thecaphora solani*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*.
- **17-18 July 2018** (from 9.00 on the 17th to 13.00 on the 18th); **Parma**. Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisation of *Thecaphora solani*. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*.
- **12 September 2018** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.
- **3-5 October 2018** (from 9.00 on the 3rd to 17.00 on the 5th); **Parma**. Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.
- **7 November 2018** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Finalisation of the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*.

- **5-6 December 2018** (from 9.00 on the 5th to 13.00 on the 6th); **Parma**. Review of the comments made by the PLH Panel to finalise the pest categorisations of *Septoria lycopersici* var. *malagutii* and *Phyllosticta solitaria*. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmanni*.
- **9 January 2019** (from 9.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Finalisation of the pest categorisation of *Trechispora brinkmanni*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 24th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 24 and 25 May 2018, Parma

(Agreed on 1 June 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair)¹, Ariena van Bruggen and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

¹ Connected via webconference in the afternoon of 24 May

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

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

the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 23rd Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 23rd working group meeting held on 2 and 3 May 2018 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Synchytrium endobioticum*

The working group further developed the pest categorisation of *S. endobioticum*. The document will be circulated to the PLH Panel for review by 4 June 2018 at the latest. The document will then be updated; taking into account the comments from the Panel, before it is proposed for possible adoption at the 20-21 June 2018 Plenary meeting.

6. Next meeting(s)

- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Thecaphora solani*.
- **8 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Thecaphora solani*.
- **21 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Finalisation of the pest categorisation of *Synchytrium endobioticum*. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*.
- **22 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*.
- **17-18 July 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 17th, finishing at 13.00 on the 18th); **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Phoma andina*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 23rd meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 2 & 3 May 2018, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 24 May 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Ariena Van Bruggen¹ and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 22nd Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 22nd working group meeting held on 19 April 2018 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Colletotrichum gossypii*

The Working Group worked finalised the pest categorisation of *Colletotrichum gossypii* that will be circulated to the PLH Panel for review, and proposed for possible adoption at the 16-17 May 2018 Plenary meeting.

5.2. *Synchytrium endobioticum*

The Working Group started drafting the pest categorisation of *Synchytrium endobioticum*, fungus responsible for the potato wart disease. The pest categorisation is planned for possible adoption at the 20-21 June 2018 Plenary meeting of the Plant Health Panel.

6. Next meetings

- **24-25 May 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 24th and finishing at 13.00 on the 25th), **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.
- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Thecaphora solani*.
- **8 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Finalising the pest categorisation of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and drafting the pest categorisation of *Thecaphora solani*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 22nd meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 19 April 2018, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 2 May 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 21st Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 21st working group meeting held on 27 and 28 March 2018 in Parma. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Colletotrichum gossypii*

The Working Group worked further on the pest categorisation of *Colletotrichum gossypii*; the pest categorisation will be circulated to the PLH Panel for review by 4 May at the latest, and proposed for possible adoption at the 16-17 May 2018 Plenary meeting.

6. Next meetings

- **2-3 May 2018** (starting at 14.00 on the 2nd and finishing at 17.00 on the 3rd), **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum*.
- **24-25 May 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 24th and finishing at 13.00 on the 25th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Thecaphora solani*.
- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.
- **7 June 2018** (from 9.00 to 13.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 21st meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 27 and 28 March 2018, Parma

(Agreed on 19 April 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 20th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 20th working group meeting held on 28 February 2018 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Apiosporina morbosa*

The PLH Panel adopted the pest categorisation during the Plenary meeting held on 21 and 22 March 2018. The working group reviewed the comments made by the Panel to finalise the pest categorisation that will then be sent to the EFSA Journal for publication.

5.2. *Glomerella gossypii*

The working group started drafting the pest categorisation on *Glomerella gossypii*. Following review of the taxonomy, it was clarified that the accepted name is *Colletotrichum gossypii*. *C. gossypii* is regulated in Greece (protected zone). Cotton is also grown in Bulgaria, and the pest is known to be present in that Member State. Romania is reported as infested by *C. gossypii* but cotton is not grown anymore these last years (according to Eurostat). The pest categorisation will therefore focus on the territory of the protected zones (Greece) instead of the whole EU territory.

5.3. *Synchytrium endobioticum*

The working group allocated the tasks for the drafting of the pest categorisation of *S. endobioticum*. Dr. Ariena van Bruggen, member of the PLH Panel, joined the working group to help with this pest categorisation. A first draft will be prepared for the meeting of the working group that will take place on 19 April 2018 via webconference.

6. Next meeting(s)

- **19 April 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **2-3 May 2018** (starting at 14.00 on the 2nd and finishing at 17.00 on the 3rd), **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum*.

- **24-25 May 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 24th and finishing at 13.00 on the 25th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Thecaphora solani*.
- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.
- **7 June 2018** (from 9.00 to 13.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 20th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 28 February 2018, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 27 March 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Elisa Gonzalez-Dominguez, Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 19th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 19th working group meeting held on 6 and 7 February 2018 in Parma. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Apiosporina morbosa*

The Working Group received official confirmation that *Apiosporina morbosa* is not present in New Zealand, and was therefore able to finish the drafting of the pest categorisation. The document will now be sent to the Plant Health Panel for review before it is submitted for possible adoption at the 21-22 March 2018 Plenary meeting.

6. Next meetings

- **27-28 March 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 28th and finishing at 13.00 on the 29th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **19 April 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **2-3 May 2018** (starting at 13.00 on the 2nd and finishing at 17.00 on the 3rd), **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum*.
- **24-25 May 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 24th and finishing at 13.00 on the 25th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Thecaphora solani*.
- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.
- **7 June 2018** (from 9.00 to 13.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 19th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 6 and 7 February 2018, Parma

(Agreed on 28 February 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Elisa Gonzalez-Dominguez, Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Pavla Bartakova, Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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4. Adoption of the minutes of the 18th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 18th working group meeting held on 9 January 2018 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*

The working group finalised the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*, taking into account the comments made by the members of the PLH Panel. The pest categorisation will be sent to the EFSA Journal for publication.

5.2. *Apiosporina morbosa*

The working group continued drafting the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*. There is a pending question regarding the possible presence of the pest in New Zealand. The Secretariat will ask for clarification of the current status to the New Zealand competent authority.

The working group will meet again on 28 February 2018 to finalise the draft of the pest categorisation that will then be sent to the PLH Panel for possible adoption at the next plenary meeting.

6. Next meeting(s)

- **28 February 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
- **27-28 March 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 28th and finishing at 13.00 on the 29th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **19 April 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **2-3 May 2018** (starting at 14.00 on the 2nd and finishing at 17.00 on the 3rd), **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum*.
- **24-25 May 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 24th and finishing at 13.00 on the 25th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Thecaphora solani*.

- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.
- **7 June 2018** (from 9.00 to 13.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 18th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 9 January 2018, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 6 February 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Josep Armengol Forti, Elisa Gonzalez-Dominguez, Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 17th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 17th working group meeting held on 18 December 2017 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*

The Working group finalised the draft pest categorisation of *F. oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*. The draft pest categorisation will be circulated to the PLH Panel for review and possible adoption at its next Plenary meeting

5.2. *Apiosporina morbosa*

The working group started drafting the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*. Follow up actions were distributed among working group members to improve further the draft.

6. Next meetings

- **6-7 February 2018** (starting at 13.00 on the 6th and finishing at 17.00 on the 7th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
- **28 February 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
- **27-28 March 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 28th and finishing at 13.00 on the 29th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **19 April 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **2-3 May 2018** (starting at 13.00 on the 2nd and finishing at 17.00 on the 3rd), **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum*.
- **24-25 May 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 24th and finishing at 13.00 on the 25th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation

of *Glomerella gossypii*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Thecaphora solani*.

- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.
- **7 June 2018** (from 9.00 to 13.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 17th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 18 December 2017, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 9 January 2018)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Josep Armengol Forti, Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 16th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 16th working group meeting held on 13 and 14 December 2017 in Parma. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*

The Working group continued drafting the pest categorisation of *F. oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*. The draft pest categorisation will be circulated to the PLH Panel for review / comments after the web conference of 9 January 2018.

6. Next meetings

- **9 January 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
- **6-7 February 2018** (starting at 13.00 on the 6th and finishing at 17.00 on the 7th), **Parma.** Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
- **28 February 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
- **27-28 March 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 28th and finishing at 13.00 on the 29th), **Parma.** Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **19 April 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **2-3 May 2018** (starting at 13.00 on the 2nd and finishing at 17.00 on the 3rd), **Parma.** Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum*.
- **24-25 May 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 24th and finishing at 13.00 on the 25th), **Parma.** Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Thecaphora solani*.

- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference.** Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.
- **7 June 2018** (from 9.00 to 13.00); **Web-conference.** Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 16th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 13 and 14 December 2017, Parma

(Agreed on 18 December 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Josep Armengol Forti¹ and Irene Vloutoglou (Chair)

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Irene Vloutoglou welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Vittorio Rossi.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 15th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 15th working group meeting held on 1 December 2017 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*

The working group started drafting the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*. The pest categorisation will focus on date palms as host for this fungus. Follow up actions were distributed among the working group members to improve further the document.

6. Next meeting(s)

- **18 December 2017** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*.
- **9 January 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*.
- **6-7 February 2018** (starting at 13.00 on the 6th and finishing at 17.00 on the 7th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
- **28 February 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
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- **19 April 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **2-3 May 2018** (starting at 13.00 on the 2nd and finishing at 17.00 on the 3rd), **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum*.

- **24-25 May 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 24th and finishing at 13.00 on the 25th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Thecaphora solani*.
- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.
- **7 June 2018** (from 9.00 to 13.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 15th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 1 December 2017, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 13 December 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 14th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 14th working group meeting held on 8 and 9 November 2017 in Parma. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Alternaria alternata*

The Working group finalised the pest categorisation of small-spored *Alternaria* carrying the genes for the AM- or AK-toxin biosynthesis, revising the document according to the comments made by the Plant Health Panel. The document was sent to the EFSA Journal for editing and publication after the meeting.

5.2. *Elsinoë* spp.

The Working group finalised the pest categorisation of *Elsinoë fawcettii* and *E. australis*, revising the document according to the comments made by the Plant Health Panel. The document was sent to the EFSA Journal for editing and publication after the meeting.

6. Work Programme

The participants agreed on the work programme for 2018:

Pest categorisation	Adoption date (2018)	Additional expert
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i> f. sp. <i>albedinis</i>	31 January – 1 February	Josep Armengol Forti
<i>Apiosporina morbosa</i>	21-22 March	Elisa Gonzalez-Dominguez
<i>Glomerella gossypii</i>	16-17 May	-
<i>Synchytrium endobioticum</i>	20-21 June	-
<i>Thecaphora solani</i>	4-5 July	-
<i>Phoma andina</i> <i>Septoria lycopersici</i> var. <i>malagutii</i>	26-27 September	-
<i>Phyllosticta solitaria</i> <i>Trechispora brinkmannii</i>	21-22 November	-

7. Next meetings

- **13-14 December 2017** (starting at 9.00 on the 13th and finishing at 13.00 on the 14th), **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*.
- **18 December 2017** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*.
- **9 January 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*.
- **6-7 February 2018** (starting at 13.00 on the 6th and finishing at 17.00 on the 7th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *albedinis*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
- **28 February 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*.
- **27-28 March 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 28th and finishing at 13.00 on the 29th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Apiosporina morbosa*, drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **19 April 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*.
- **2-3 May 2018** (starting at 13.00 on the 2nd and finishing at 17.00 on the 3rd), **Parma**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum*.
- **24-25 May 2018** (starting at 9.00 on the 24th and finishing at 13.00 on the 25th), **Parma**. Finalising of the pest categorisation of *Glomerella gossypii*. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Thecaphora solani*.
- **1 June 2018** (from 14.00 to 18.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.
- **7 June 2018** (from 9.00 to 13.00); **Web-conference**. Drafting of the pest categorisations of *Synchytrium endobioticum* and *Thecaphora solani*.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 14th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 8 and 9 November 2017, Parma

(Agreed on 1 December 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 13th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 13th working group meeting held on 27 October 2017 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Elsinoe.spp*

The working group finalised the draft pest categorisation of *Elsinoe.spp*. The document will be sent to the PLH Panel for review and possible adoption at its next Plenary meeting.

5.2. *Alternaria alternata*

The working group finalised the draft pest categorisation of *Alternaria alternata*. The document will be sent to the PLH Panel for review and possible adoption at its next Plenary meeting.

6. Next meeting(s)

The Working Group confirmed the following dates for 2017.

- 1 December 2017 (from 14.00 to 18.00): webconference
- 13 & 14 December 2017 (starting at 9.00 on the 8th and finishing at 13.00 on the 9th): physical meeting, Parma

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH UNIT

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 13th meeting of the Working
Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 27 October 2017, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 8 November 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 12th Working Group meeting

The reviewed the draft minutes of the 12th working group meeting held on 24 October 2017 via webconference. The adopted minutes will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. Alternaria alternata

The working group continued drafting the pest categorisation of *Alternaria alternata*.

5.2. Elsinoe.spp

The working group continued drafting the pest categorisation of *Elsinoe.spp*.

6. Next meeting

The next meeting of the working group will take place on 8 and 9 November 2017 in Parma, starting at 9.00 on the 8th and finishing at 13.00 on the 9th.

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH UNIT

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 12th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 24 October 2017, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 27 October 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA Unit: Gabor Hollo

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 11th Working Group meeting

The reviewed the draft minutes of the 11th working group meeting held on 11 and 12 October 2017 in Parma. The adopted minutes will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. Alternaria alternata

The working group continued drafting the pest categorisation of *Alternaria alternata*.

6. Next meeting

The next meeting of the working group will take place on 27 October 2017 via webconference (from 14.00 to 18.00).

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 11th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 11 and 12 October 2017, Parma

(Agreed on 24 October 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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4. Adoption of the minutes of the 10th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 10th working group meeting held on 29 September 2017 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Elsinoe.spp*

The working group continued working on the pest categorisation of *Elsinoe.spp*. Further actions were distributed among the working group members

5.2. *Alternaria alternata*

The working group continued working on the pest categorisation of *Alternaria alternata*. Further actions were distributed among the working group members

6. Next meeting(s)

The Working Group confirmed the following dates for 2017.

- 24 October 2017 (from 14.00 to 18.00): webconference
- 27 October 2017 (from 14.00 to 18.00): webconference
- 8 & 9 November 2017 (starting at 9.00 on the 8th and finishing at 13.00 on the 9th): physical meeting, Parma

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH UNIT

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

**Minutes of the 10th meeting of the Working
Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens**

Held on 29 September 2017, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 11 October 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 9th Working Group meeting

The reviewed the draft minutes of the 9th working group meeting held on 18 and 19 September 2017 in Parma. The adopted minutes will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. Adopted pest categorisations

The working group reviewed the pest categorisations of *Venturia nashicola*, *Botryosphaeria kuwatsukai*, and *Puccinia pittieriana* according to the comments made by the PLH Panel. Once finalised, the pest categorisations will be sent to the EFSA Journal for publication.

5.2. *Elsinoe* spp.

The working group continued drafting the pest categorisation of *Elsinoe* spp. Considering the hosts listed in the regulation, the pest categorisation will focus on *Elsinoe australis* and *E. fawcettii*.

5.3. *Alternaria alternata*

The working group continued drafting the pest categorisation of *Alternaria alternata*.

6. Next meeting

The next meeting of the working group will take place on 11-12 October 2017 in Parma.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 9th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 18 and 19 September 2017, Parma

(Agreed on 29 September 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Josep Armengol Forti¹, Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 7th and 8th Working Group meetings

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 7th and 8th working group meeting held on 11 and 15 September 2017 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Botryosphaeria kuwatsukai*

The working group finalised the draft pest categorisation of *B. kuwatsukai* (*Guignardia pyricola*). The document will be sent to the PLH Panel for review and possible adoption at its next plenary meeting.

5.2. *Puccinia pittieriana*

The working group finalised the draft pest categorisation of *P. pittieriana*. The document will be sent to the PLH Panel for review and possible adoption at its next plenary meeting.

5.3. *Elsinoe.spp*

The working group started drafting the pest categorisation of *Elsinoe.spp*. Further actions were distributed among the working group members

5.4. *Alternaria alternata*

The working group started drafting the pest categorisation of *Alternaria alternata*. *A. alternata* appeared to be a complex of different formae speciales. The working group decided to focus the pest categorisation on the *A. alternata* strain producing the AM toxin (f.sp. *malus*), and the Japanese pear pathotype (*Alternaria gaisen* or *A. kikuchiana*, pathogen of Asian pear (*Pyrus pyrifolia* and hybrids) but that can also infect European pears). Further actions were distributed among the working group members

6. Next meeting(s)

The Working Group confirmed the following dates for 2017.

- 29 September 2017 (from 14.00 to 18.00): webconference
- 11 & 12 October 2017 (starting at 9.00 on the 11th and finishing at 13.00 on the 12th): physical meeting, Parma

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH UNIT

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 7th and 8th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 11 and 15 September 2017, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 18 September 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Josep Armengol Forti, Vittorio Rossi (Chair), and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 6th Working Group meeting

The reviewed the draft minutes of the 6th working group meeting held on 29 and 30 August 2017 in Parma. The adopted minutes will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Venturia nashicola*

The French NPPO confirmed that the pest is no longer present in France. The Working Group finalised the pest categorisation that will then be sent to the PLH Panel for possible adoption at the September 2017 plenary.

5.2. *Guignardia pyricola*

The working group finalised the pest categorisation of *Guignardia pyricola* (*Botryosphaeria kuwatsukai*) that will then be sent to the PLH Panel for possible adoption at the September 2017 plenary.

5.3. *Puccinia pittieriana*

The working group finalised the pest categorisation of *Guignardia pyricola* (*Botryosphaeria kuwatsukai*) that will then be sent to the PLH Panel for possible adoption at the September 2017 plenary.

5.4. *Alternaria alternata*

The Secretariat has been trying to contact Dr. Klaus Marschall to become an Expert for the pest categorisation of *Alternaria alternata* but did not receive any answer yet.

6. Next meeting

The next meeting of the working group will take place on 18-19 September 2017 in Parma.

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 6th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 29 and 30 August 2017, Parma

(Agreed on 11 September 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Josep Armengol Forti, Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou¹

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 5th Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 5th working group meeting held on 20 July 2017 via webconference. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Venturia nashicola*

The finalisation of the pest categorisation is still pending a reply from the French National Plant Protection Organisation regarding the status of *V. nashicola* in France.

5.2. *Guignardia pyricola*

The working group reviewed the various contributions for the draft pest categorisation of *G. pyricola*. The identity of the pest was corrected into *Botryosphaeria kuwatsukai*.

5.3. *Puccinia pittieriana*

The working group reviewed the first draft of the pest categorisation of *Puccinia pittieriana* and agreed on further actions needed.

6. Next meeting(s)

The Working Group confirmed the following dates for 2017.

- 11 September 2017: web-conference from 14.00 to 18.00
- 15 September 2017: web-conference from 14.00 to 18.00
- 18 & 19 September 2017 (starting at 14.00 on the 18th and finishing at 14.00 on the 19th): physical meeting, Parma

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 5th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 20 July 2017, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 29 August 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Adoption of the minutes of the 4th Working Group meeting

The Working Group reviewed the draft minutes of the 4th working group meeting held on 15 June 2017 via webconference. The adopted minutes will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

The working group decided to work on *Puccinia pittieriana* and *Guignardia piricola* and submit the two pest categorisations for possible adoption at the December Plenary meeting of the Panel. The pest categorisation of *Elsinoe spp.* and *Alternaria alternata* will be proposed for adoption at the November Plenary meeting.

5.1. Puccinia pittieriana and Guignardia piricola

A first draft of the pest categorisations of *Puccinia pittieriana* and *Guignardia piricola* will be prepared by 10 August 2017. The responsibility for the various sections of the pest categorisations was distributed among the working group members and the Secretariat.

5.2. Elsinoe.spp

Antonio Vincent who contributed to a previous pest categorisation was identified as an expert on *Elsinoe*. He will be contacted by the Secretariat and asked whether he is willing to contribute also to this upcoming pest categorisation.

6. Next meeting(s)

The Chair of the working group will provide the Secretariat with possible dates for meetings until December 2017

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 4th meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 15 June 2017, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 20 July 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Elisa Gonzalez-Dominguez, Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 3rd Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 3rd working group meeting held on 6 June 2017 in Parma. The adopted minutes will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Venturia nashicola*

The working group finalised the draft pest categorisation of *V. nashicola*. The document will be submitted to the PLH Panel immediately after the meeting for review and possible adoption during the 68th PLH Plenary meeting (27-28 June 2017).

6. Next meeting(s)

The Working Group confirmed the following dates for 2017.

- 20 July 2017 (from 14.00 to 18.00): Webconference to finalise ongoing pest categorisations and agree on the next ones to be drafted for the second half of the year

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 6 June 2017, Parma

(Agreed on 15 June 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Elisa Gonzalez-Dominguez, Vittorio Rossi (Chair) and Irene Vloutoglou¹

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Antonio Vicent.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 2nd Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 2nd working group meeting held on 24 May 2017 in Parma. The adopted minutes will then be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. Cercospora angolensis

The working group reviewed the pest categorisation of *P. angolensis* that was revised to take into account the comments made by the PLH Panel and the latest modifications of the template made by the ALPHA Unit. The updated document will be circulated to the working group for final check and then sent to the EFSA Journal for publication.

5.2. Venturia nashicola

The working group worked further on the draft pest categorisation of *V. nashicola*. The document will be submitted to the PLH Panel for possible adoption by 16 June 2017 at the latest.

6. Next meeting(s)

The Working Group confirmed the following dates for 2017.

- 15 June 2017: web-conference from 14.00 to 18.00

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 24 May 2017, via Web-conference

(Agreed on 6 June 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Elisa Gonzalez-Dominguez, Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants.

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

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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. Adoption of the minutes of the 1st Working Group meeting

The working group reviewed the draft minutes of the 1st working group meeting held on 11 and 12 May 2017 in Parma. The adopted minutes will be published on the EFSA website.

5. Pest Categorisations

5.1. *Cercospora angolensis*

The Chair of the Working Group informed the participants that the PLH Panel endorsed the pest categorisation of *P. angolensis* pending the implementation of minor modifications in the document. The working group reviewed the pest categorisation accordingly. The document will then be formatted according to the latest template and the final version circulated again for a final check because it is sent to the EFSA Journal for publication.

5.2. *Venturia nashicola*

The working group worked further on the draft pest categorisation of *V. nashicola*. The objective is to submit the document for possible endorsement by the PLH Panel during the 68th PLH Plenary meeting (27-28 June 2017). Confirm whether *V. nashicola* is currently present in France

6. Next meeting(s)

The Working Group confirmed the following dates for 2017.

- 6 June 2017 (from 9.00 to 17.00): physical meeting in Parma to work further on the pest categorisation of *V. nashicola*.
- 15 June 2017: web-conference from 14.00 to 18.00

PLANT HEALTH PANEL

Minutes of the 1st meeting of the Working Group on Agricultural Fungal Pathogens

Held on 11 and 12 May 2017, Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 24 May 2017)

Participants

- **Working Group Members:**

Elisa Gonzalez-Dominguez, Vittorio Rossi (Chair), Antonio Vicent and Irene Vloutoglou

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA/SCER Unit: Bernard Bottex

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair Vittorio Rossi welcomed the participants. A tour-de-table was organised for the participants to present themselves. Irene Vloutoglou will act as Rapporteur for the working group.

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

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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. Mandate

The participants were explained that EFSA needs to perform 133 pest categorisations by 2020. This working group will deal with the pest categorisations of 10 agricultural fungal pathogens with mid-2018 as a deadline.

5. Pest Categorisations

The group decided to start working on *Cercospora angolensis* and *Venturia nashicola*.

5.1. *Cercospora angolensis*

The working group reviewed a first draft of the pest categorisation prepared by Antonio Vicent and the Secretariat. This draft was considered as the most advanced of the two and will be submitted for possible adoption at the next Plenary meeting of the PLH Panel (23-24 May 2017).

5.2. *Venturia nashicola*

The working group reviewed a first draft of the pest categorisation prepared by Elisa Gonzalez-Dominguez and the Secretariat. A couple of action points were identified to improve further the draft before the next meeting of the working group:

- Look for data on *Pyrus pirifolia* / *Pyrus nashi* production in the EU 28
- Look for data on imports of *Pyrus pirifolia* as plants for planting
- Look for data on imports by the EU 28 of *Pyrus pirifolia* / *Pyrus nashi* fruits from countries where *V. nashicola* is reported to be present
- Confirm whether *V. nashicola* is currently present in France

6. Next meeting(s)

The Working Group confirmed the following dates for 2017.

- 24 May 2017: web-conference from 14.45 to 18.00 to address possible Panel comments on the pest categorisation of *P. angolensis* and work further on *V. nashicola*.

- 6 June 2017 (from 9.00 to 17.00): physical meeting in Parma to work further on the pest categorisation of *V nashicola*.
- 15 June 2017: web-conference from 14.00 to 18.00
- 23 June 2017: meeting cancelled