

Terms of Reference for Experts

phytosanitary measures

Job Title :	Consultant on phytosanitary measures	
Minimum number of years of relevant experience required :	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advanced University Degree in plant protection or related field. A PhD will be an advantage - Minimum 10 years' experience phytosanitary regulations and measures - Proven knowledge of the provisions of the IPPC as well as SPS agreements / standards - Working experience in phytosanitary import regulations, and phytosanitary inspection - Working experience in Red Palm Weevil (RPW) surveillance, risk analysis and containment measures - Excellent knowledge of English and Arabic are essential and working knowledge of French is desirable - Good organization capability and teamwork skills are required 	
Expected start of assignment:	At the inception period of the project	
Duration:	23 days	
Location:	Home-based and NEPPO Office Rabat	
Report to:	Mekki Chouibani- Executive Director of NEPPO	
Description of task(s) and objectives to be achieved (per mission if applicable)		
Under the general supervision of the NEPPO Secretariat and in collaboration the RPW working Group, the consultant will perform the following tasks:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u><i>A regional standard for harmonized phytosanitary measures within the region (at borders and inspection on the territory) is drafted</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.1 Develop a questionnaire to assess the effectiveness of the phytosanitary regulations and measures related to Red Palm weevil applied by countries and their compliance with the international standards for phytosanitary measures (ISPMs) and other regionally recognized standards - 1.2 Launch the questionnaire to NENA Countries - 1.3 Analyze and assess the information gathered, scoping studies, technical situational reports, guidelines and training materials on palm trees (date palm and ornamentals inspection at borders) - 1.4 Develop the draft regional standard for phytosanitary measures on RPW - 1.5 Organize and convene virtual meetings of the RPW working group experts as necessary, including preparing the agenda, ensuring experts are contributing, preparing and posting all meeting documents on time, preparing the minutes and facilitating the gathering and coordinating of the development of related standards and training materials. - 1.6 Gather suggestions and observations of core group and countries and update the standard accordingly - 1.7 Prepare guidelines and training materials on this standard - 1.8 Supervise the translation of the adopted version in Arabic 		
Key performance		
Expected outputs	Required completion dates	
Expected Outputs associated with the tasks identified in previous section:	December 2021	

1.1 a questionnaire to assess the phytosanitary regulations and measures related to Red Palm Weevil implemented by countries and their compliance with the international standards for phytosanitary measures and other regionally recognized standards is launched;	
1.2 a review of the current phytosanitary regulations and measures related to RPW and their effectiveness is developed and presented to the working group;	December 2021
1.3 report and minutes of the consultation with the working group are drafted;	
1.4 a provisional version of a regionally and harmonized phytosanitary measures (regional standard) to prevent the introduction and spread of RPW are developed and presented to countries for consultation;	December 2021
1.5 The last version of the regional standard is produced and translated in Arabic.	January 2022
Estimated rates for budgeting purposes	
Honorarium rate	
Estimate 300 USD	