

# Country Report

## Republic of Korea

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### International Cooperation of Plant Quarantine

- Activities of IYPH(International Year of Plant Health) and IDPH(International Day of Plant Health)
  - (2020) On/off-line activities to promote the International Year of Plant Health
  - (2021) Embassy invitation event to commemorate the International Year of Plant Health (Incheon)
  - (2022) Event to commemorate the establishment of the International Day of Plant Health (Gimcheon)
  
- Hosting APPPC Workshops for Review of Draft International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) since 2006
  - This workshop is to promote understanding of ISPM and to share the opinions on the draft ISPM among the member countries.
  - APQA has financially supported about 20 participants from developing countries for the APPPC Regional Workshop.
  - (2020) 58 participants from 17 countries, Review on 6 ISPMs in September(Virtual meeting)
  - (2021) 90 participants from 16 countries, Review on 8 ISPMs in September(Virtual meeting)
  - (2022) 30 participants from 14 countries, Review on 6 ISPMs in August in Incheon (Physical and Virtual meeting)
  
- Hosting Plant Quarantine Expert Training Program for ASEAN countries since 2006
  - The Training program contributes to enhancement of the national phytosanitary capacity and the understanding of Korea's plant quarantine system, and further develops friendly relationship between Korea and the participating countries..
  - (2020~2022) Due to COVID-19, face to face training program was not conducted during 2020 and 2021. Korea planned to support the participation of Plant Quarantine Director-level officials from ASEAN countries to Sea container workshop and the first International Plant Health Conference in London from September 19 to 23, 2022 and small meeting is expected to be held to discuss future development strategy for ASEAN plant quarantine experts training program.

○ The cooperation Program for Plant Quarantine System in Philippines since 2020

- This program is to develop plant quarantine cooperation between the two countries, promote phytosanitary capacity evaluation and assistance and training in plant protection and exchange of information, quarantine technology and visits of plant quarantine experts
- (2020~2021) APQA conducted virtual MOU signing ceremony, produced and provided textbook for ability development, supported participation of two quarantine inspectors from Philippines to International Plant Health Conference in London, supplied goods for Development of Plant Quarantine System.

○ ePhyto

- (2020) Performance of trial test with the United states and New Zealand
- (2021) Revision of notification of "Export inspection of plant and plant product" in order to prepare the basis to issue Phytosanitary certificate by ePhyto  
Commercialization of ePhyto exchange between Korea and USA
- (2022) Commercialization of ePhyto exchange between Korea and New Zealand