

# **VALITEST: main achievements that will be useful in our area of work - from IPPC Secretariat**

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# IPPC and VALITEST – what we know

Early diagnosis and a rapid response are crucial to reduce the risk of entry and spread of plant pests and their impacts.



Diagnostic expertise is one of the major capabilities for the proper functioning of any NPPO.



Any country wishing to take part in the trade of agricultural commodities must be able to demonstrate that its products are free from pests. To do that, access to diagnostic services is essential.



The purpose of harmonized diagnostic protocols is to support efficient phytosanitary measures in a wide range of circumstances and to enhance the mutual recognition of diagnostic results by NPPOs, which may also facilitate safe trade.

# IPPC and VALITEST – what to look after

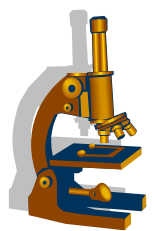


1. Validation data will enhance the confidence on diagnostic protocols.

2. Action on international cooperation in plant protection among nations: a big step for international collaboration.



3. Looking to the IPPC Strategic Framework 2020-2030: A model of laboratories networking to be followed.



4. Collaboration with private sector successfully achieved.



5. The development of best practice guidelines (e.g. HTS technologies and quality of reference materials) and its publications will contribute to enhance NPPOs capacity.