

IGTC Newsletter 20 January 2017

Plans for 2017? Please review the IGTC's <u>2017 calendar</u> and let us know if we have missed any important grain trade events! Comments/questions should be sent to

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Events

February 1-3 Global Grain, Food and Feed (G2F2), Delhi, India

February 13-15: US
Grains Council 14th
International
Marketing
Conference & 57th

IGTC in action

Government of Honduras conference: Challenges for the agri-food sector



The IGTC took centre-stage today, Friday at a Government of Honduras event on the Challenges for the agri-food sector 2017-2025 (Desafíos del Sector Agroalimentario 2017-2025). Randy Giroux, VP, Cargill

presented on behalf of the IGTC at the event, outlining the contributions of the grain trade to global food security and economic development, as well as highlighting key concerns for the trade at global policy level. The event was led by Jacobo Paz Bodden, Honduran Agriculture Minister, with the participation of Dr. Víctor Villalobos, Director General of IICA, and José Perdomo President of CropLife Latín América.

Membership of IGTC Policy Teams and Working Groups

Do you want a stronger voice in international policy discussions impacting on the grain trade? In January, we are calling for increased participation on IGTC Policy Teams and Working Groups. Please contact the Secretariat if you require further information.



Plant production methods:

Supply chain management of LLP Plant breeding innovation Cartagena Biosafety Protocol

Phytosanitary control and risk management:

IPPC International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) on Grain

MRLs of Plant Protection Products

Trade technology:

Electronic Trading Documentation

Annual Membership Meeting Panama City, Panama

Panama will host this year's Annual Membership Meeting – the once-a-year opportunity for the Council's international directors and participants to meet to hear about USGC boots-on-the-ground activities in more than 50 countries around the world.

March 7: International Grains Council (IGC) Market Conditions Committee

The IGC's twice-yearly MCC will see the Council's 27 member governments exchange the latest market movements, including updates on trade policies. As a non-governmental partner to the IGC, the IGTC will have the chance to present and participate.

Links

IGTC Website

IGTC list of members



 Trade facilitation via international organizations: International Maritime Organization
 World Bank, Enabling the Business of Agriculture

ePhyto project: Fact Sheet on security of ePhytos



The IPPC has published its latest factsheet (<u>click here</u>) on the ePhyto Hub, this time on how the Security of the Hub is envisaged to ensure safe transaction of ePhytos.

In particular, it details:

- How the Hub will use transport layer security (encryption) to protect data exchange
- Storage of phyto certificates before transmission to NPPOs
- Possibility for countries to implement additional encryption if they wish
- NPPO access to the Hub using public key infrastructure (PKI)/client certificates
- Role of United Nations International Computing Centre (UNICC) in security of data

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