



WEBINAR

Forest Invasive Species

the next global pandemic?



29 July 2020

10:00-11:30 hrs CET

Guest Speaker, Prof. Mike Wingfield (FABI, University of Pretoria, South Africa)
*Tree health in the International Year of Plant Health (IYPH2020) and
what we might learn from the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic*

PANEL DISCUSSION

- *How can community involvement play a role in preventing the spread of invasive species?*
- *Can surveillance networks enhance preparedness for future pandemics?*
- *How do we enhance the resilience of our forests to climate change and pest outbreaks?*
- *How can we increase national and regional capacity building?*
- *What are environmentally friendly measures to manage invasive species?*

**Participate in the webinar,
contribute to the discussion,
and share ideas and solutions!**

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TIME	ACTIVITY
10:00-10:05	Welcome Moderator: Dr. Shiroma Sathyapala, Forestry Officer, FAO
10:05-10:20	Guest Speaker: Prof. Mike Wingfield, FABI, University of Pretoria Tree health in the International Year of Plant Health and what we might learn from the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic
10:20-10:50	Panel discussion: Regional networks & IPPC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Ferenc Lakatos, Forest Invasive Species Network for Europe and Central Asia (REUFIS) • Prof. Simon Lawson, Asia-Pacific Forestry Invasive Species Network (APFISN) • Prof. Jianghua Sun, Asia-Pacific Forestry Invasive Species Network (APFISN) • Prof. Mohammed Habib Ben Jamaa, Near East Network on Forest Health and Invasive Species (NENFHIS) • Prof. Brett Hurley, Forestry Invasive Species Network for Africa (FISNA) • Dr. Adriana G. Moreira, IPPC Standard Setting Officer
10:50-11:25	Interactive session with participants
11:25-11:30	Concluding remarks: Dr. Tiina Vahanen, Chief, Forestry Policy and Resources Division, FAO

Interpretation will be provided in French and Russian

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