NAME OF THE ORGANISM: Bruchus pisorum (BRCHPI)

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE PEST

Name as submitted in the project specification (if different to the preferred name):
 
  
Pest category:
 
Insecta **1- Identity of the pest/Level of taxonomic listing:**  
Is the organism clearly a single taxonomic entity and can it be adequately distinguished from other entities of the same rank?
 
Yes  
Is the pest defined at the species level or lower?:
 
Yes  
Can listing of the pest at a taxonomic level higher than species be supported by scientific reasons or can species be identified within the taxonomic rank which are the (main) pests of concern?

* Not relevant: Vegetable seed sector

Is it justified that the pest is listed at a taxonomic rank below species level?
 
Not relevant  
Conclusion:

* Candidate: Vegetable seed sector

**2 – Status in the EU:**
   
Is this pest already a quarantine pest for the whole EU?
 
No  
Presence in the EU:
 
Yes  
Conclusion:
 
candidate  
Justification (if necessary):
 
The pest is present worldwide (Canadian Grain Commission, 2013), and in all EU Member States (Fauna Europaea, 2017).

HOST PLANT N°1: Pisum sativum (PIBSX) for the Vegetable seed sector.

Origin of the listing:
 
1 - Vegetable seed sector: Council Directive 2002/55/EC  
Plants for planting:
 
Seeds **3 - Is the pest already listed in a PM4 standard on the concerned host plant?**
 
No 
Conclusion:
 
Evaluation continues **4 - Are the listed plants for planting the main\* pathway for the "pest/host/intended use" combination? (\*: significant compared to others):**
 
Yes 
Conclusion:
 
Candidate  
 
Justification:
 
Bruchus pisorum L (Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae) is a species of seed beetle that affect adversly pea crops by damaging seeds with entrance or exit holes, and developing larvae and adults feed on the inside of the seeds during development or in store after harvest. In the field, the main sources of pea weevil are broken peas, volunteer peas and sown infested seed. Eggs are laid on the outside of the developing pods and larvae develop inside, before the adult chews an exit hole through the seed coat. Recontamination of the stored material is possible. The resulting damage causes significant decrease in germination, growth of radicle and vigour if used as seed, and large populations damage stored crops (Nikolova & Georgieva, 2015, Canadian Grain Commission, 2013). Seed is therefore a pathway and other sources can be managed, therefore seed can be considered a significant pathway compared to others for the pest/host/intended use combination. **5 - Economic impact:**  
Are there documented reports of any economic impact on the host?
 
Yes  
Justification:
 
Damage of the seeds causes significant decrease in germination, growth of radicle and vigour if used as seed, and large populations damage stored crops, although they do not mutiply in store (Nikolova & Georgieva, 2015; Nikolova, 2016). Samples of peas at harvest were infested at the rate of 6.3% by B. pisorum in Turkey (Özar & Genç, 1987). Insecticide sprays may be used against the adults as soon as infestation is found in the field, but before filling of the earliest pods (EPPO 1998). However this management has a cost and correct timing is required for vining peas.  
What is the likely economic impact of the pest irrespective of its infestation source in the absence of phytosanitary measures? (= official measures)
 
Medium  
Is the economic impact due to the presence of the pest on the named host plant for planting, acceptable to the propagation and end user sectors concerned?
 
No  
Conclusion:
 
Candidate  
Justification:
 
 **6 - Are there feasible and effective measures available to prevent the presence of the pest on the plants for planting at an incidence above a certain threshold (including zero) to avoid an unacceptable economic impact as regards the relevant host plants?**
 
Yes
 
Conclusion:
 
candidate  
Justification:
 
Protection is based on foliar applications of insecticide treatments (Seidenglanz, 2009). **7- Is the quality of the data sufficient to recommend the pest to be listed as a RNQP?**
 
Yes
 
Conclusion:
 
Candidate  
Justification:
 
 **CONCLUSION ON THE STATUS:**
 
Recommended for listing as an RNQP, based on data. **8 - Tolerance level:**  
Is there a need to change the Tolerance level:
 
Yes  
Proposed Tolerance levels:
 
Zero tolerance approach, based on visual examination. **9 - Risk management measures:**  
Is there a need to change the Risk management measure:
 
Yes  
Proposed Risk management measure:
 
A representative sample of the seed has been subject to inspection (which may follow an appropriate treatment) and has been found free from Bruchus pisorum.  
Justification (if necessary):
 
For these beetles infesting seed, inspections on seed are likely to detect symptoms without necessarily confirming species. Risk from focusing the listing on the main species in each case is therefore very limited. **REFERENCES:**

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