NAME OF THE ORGANISM: Alternaria brassicae (ALTEBA)

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE PEST

Name as submitted in the project specification (if different to the preferred name):
 
  
Pest category:
 
Fungi **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 propagating and planting material (other than seeds) sector

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

* Not evaluated: Vegetable propagating and planting material (other than seeds) sector

**2 – Status in the EU:**
   
Is this pest already a quarantine pest for the whole EU?
 
  
Presence in the EU:
 
Yes  
List of countries (EPPO Global Database):
 
Austria (2000); Belgium (2000); Bulgaria (2000); Cyprus (2000); Czech Republic (2000); Denmark (2000); Finland (2011); France (2000); Germany (2000); Greece (2000); Hungary (2000); Ireland (2000); Italy (2000); Italy/Sardegna (2000); Latvia (2006); Lithuania (2000); Netherlands (2000); Poland (2000); Romania (2000); Slovakia (2000); Spain (2000); Sweden (2000); United Kingdom (2000)  
Conclusion:
 
  
Justification (if necessary):
 
Data of the presence of this pest on the EU territory are available in EPPO Global Database (<https://gd.eppo.int/>).

HOST PLANT N°1: Brassica pekinensis (BRSPK) for the Vegetable propagating and planting material (other than seeds) sector.

**CONCLUSION ON THE STATUS:**
 
Not evaluated: This pest/host combination was not identified by any EU MS in the RNQP Questionnaire as requiring a revision of current thresholds and or a revision of current management measures. This pest/host combination was not identified by the experts of the vegetable SEWG as being a candidate for the RNQP Status with specific tolerance levels and/or specific risk management measures. Experts recommended that this pest/host combination should be covered in the future by the 'substantially free from' requirement that will remain in the Vegetable propagating and planting (excluding seeds) EU Marketing Directives.