NAME OF THE ORGANISM: Athelia rolfsii (Sclerotium rolfsii) (SCLORO)

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, Seed potato 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, Seed potato sector

**2 – Status in the EU:**

Is this pest already a quarantine pest for the whole EU?

Presence in the EU:

Conclusion:

HOST PLANT N°1: Cynara cardunculus (CYUCA) 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.

HOST PLANT N°2: Cynara scolymus (CYUSC) 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.

HOST PLANT N°3: Solanum tuberosum (SOLTU) for the Seed potato sector.

Origin of the listing:

5 - Seed potato sector: Council Directive 2002/56/EC
Plants for planting:

Plants intended for planting, other than [true] seeds **3 - Is the pest already listed in a PM4 standard on the concerned host plant?**

Yes
Conclusion:

Qualified

Justification (if necessary):

Pest already listed in the EPPO PM 4 Standard under the dry/wet rot symptoms. **CONCLUSION ON THE STATUS:**

Recommended for listing as an RNQP, based on EPPO PM 4 Standard. **8 - Tolerance level:**
Is there a need to change the Tolerance level:

No
Proposed Tolerance levels:

 **9 - Risk management measures:**
Is there a need to change the Risk management measure:

No
Proposed Risk management measure:

 **REFERENCES:**

* CABI (Centre for Agricultural Bioscience International), online, 2016. Datasheets Athelia rolfsii (sclerotium rot). Invasive species compendium. CABI, Wallingford, UK. Available from <http://www.cabi.org/isc/datasheet/49155>;