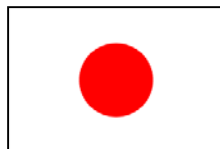


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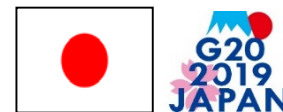


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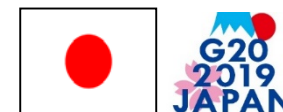
1. Rationale and Purpose



At the 8th MACS-G20, G20 members supported the proposal from Japan to hold an **international workshop** to share experiences of G20 members and invited guests, and the latest information on the occurrence and management of **plant pests**, and facilitate international research collaboration to help develop effective countermeasures for major plant pests.



2. Summary of activities



Phase	Title	Timeline
1	8 th G20-MACS	April 2019
2	9 Discussion Groups launched	September 2019
3	Reports by each group submitted	November 2019
4	International workshop held	November 2019
5	Final report compiled and submitted to 9 th G20-MACS	February 2020
6	Further activities TBD	

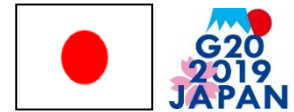
3. Working Group Framework



9 thematic Discussion Groups (150 experts from 28 countries)

- (a) Fall armyworm
- (b) Fruits flies
- (c) Wheat blast
- (d) *Xylella fastidiosa*
- (e) Tomato brown rugose fruit virus
- (f) Citrus greening (Huanglongbing)
- (g) Fusarium wilt tropical race 4
- (h) Red palm weevil
- (i) Cross-cutting issues

4. Participants to the WS



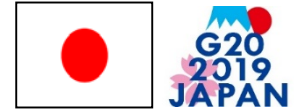
14 countries

Australia	Saudi Arabia
Brazil	South Africa
China	Turkey
France	United Kingdom
Germany	Netherlands
India	New Zealand
Italy	
Japan	
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5. Findings



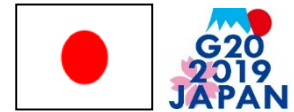
1. The most important countermeasure against pests is **information sharing** about incursion as a part of appropriate preparedness.
2. **International collaboration** is increasingly important to tackle pests causing serious damage to regional economies.
3. Concerns about transboundary pests and their impacts are **growing globally**.

6. Opportunities



1. In order to strengthen research collaboration to develop effective measures against transboundary pests, proactive **participation in and use of existing international and regional initiatives and frameworks** would enhance the opportunities.
2. **Improvement of compliance** of each country in line with existing international and regional rules will enhance opportunities for timely information sharing, research collaboration and rapid response.
3. Establishment of networks among researchers and stakeholders from respective countries as well as a reinforcement of collaboration between reference laboratories through **the framework of the discussion groups** organized for this workshop.

7. Conclusions



- ◆ Workshop completed in accordance with the proposal at 8th MACS
- ◆ 9 Discussion groups organized for the WS continues interaction to extend outreach of the WS
- ◆ Further activities to be decided in consultation with stakeholders

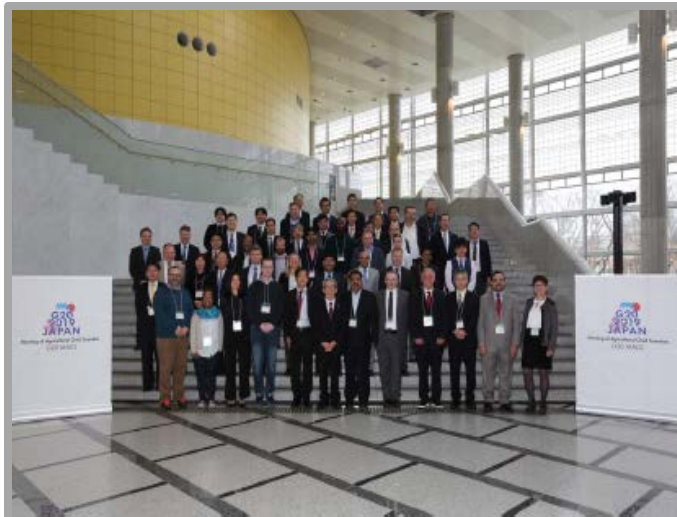
【 Field Trips 】



Participants visited several sites in Tsukuba on November 28th 2019



【 Report 】



Final Report on the “International Workshop on Facilitating International Research Collaboration on Transboundary Plant Pests”

Summary of the Workshop

February 2020

***Thank you for
your attention!***

All the information, including the Final Report and Presentation Materials of the workshop is available at;

https://www.affrc.maff.go.jp/kokusaikenkyu/transboundary_plant_pests_e_2019.html

