



Caribbean Plant Health Directors Forum – Key Shortcomings in Safeguarding Arrangements: What are They and How Can they Be Remedied

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Shortcomings Identified

- Lack of resource personnel
- Lack of training of resource personnel
- Lack of infrastructure
- Lack of equipment
- Lack of money
- Little local pest data
- Outdated legislation
- Not enough dialogue among member states
- No regional Plant Health agency



Shortcomings Can be Grouped

- Things we cannot change
- Things we can change slowly
- Things we can change now



Critical Things We Can Change Now

- Database Development (*Pest Lists (work in progress),
Surveillance and Detection (working group formed)*)
- Rapid Identification and Diagnosis (*CPND*)
- Networking (*CPHD, D-Groups*)

If member states in the Caribbean concentrate on these activities, safeguarding would be much improved

Always follow guidelines of the IPPC. They strengthen safeguarding while encouraging trade

Linkages with international organizations and donor agencies are important



Thank You