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1. Introduction

The 11th FAO/WHO Joint Meeting on Pesticide Management (JMPM) was held at the FAO headquarters in Rome, Italy from 9 to 12 October 2018.

The JMPM was created in 2007 and advises FAO and WHO on the implementation of the FAO/WHO International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management (the Code of Conduct) and on new developments, problems or issues deserving of attention in pesticide regulation and management. The JMPM members are drawn from the FAO Panel of Experts on Pesticide Management and the WHO Panel of Experts on Vector Biology and Control. Representatives of other international organizations such as UN Environment, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), pesticide and biopesticide producers' associations, and selected nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) involved in pesticide risk reduction are also invited to participate in meetings as observers. Secretariat support is provided jointly by FAO and WHO. The list of participants is attached as [Annex 1](#).

The 11th JMPM included: an update on activities of the joint Secretariat and participating organizations; a review of progress in the production of new JMPM guidelines; plans for continued work on and review of existing guidelines; plans for the next revision of the Code of Conduct; suggestions on emerging and priority issues and future directions; plans for a global support programme for pesticide compliance and enforcement; inputs to a planned report to be written by UN Environment on the environmental and health impacts of pesticides and fertilizers; and recommendations for future work.

2. Opening of the meeting

The opening session was coordinated by Mr Baogen Gu, Senior Agricultural Officer for Pest and Pesticide Management, FAO Plant Production and Protection Division. On behalf of FAO and as joint Secretariat of the JMPM, Mr Gu welcomed the FAO and WHO Panel members, members of the FAO and WHO Secretariat, and other meeting participants and observers to the 11th Session of the JMPM. Mr Rajpal Yadav, Scientist, Vector Ecology and Management Unit, WHO Department of Control of Neglected Tropical Diseases, also welcomed them on behalf of WHO. Mr Rémi Nono Womdim, Deputy Director for the FAO Plant Production and Protection Division, opened the meeting and welcomed the meeting participants. He expressed his appreciation for the work of the JMPM, which is helping smallholder farmers and economies around the world to meet the many challenges they face in producing safe and nutritious food.

3. Appointment of the chairperson and rapporteurs and adoption of the agenda

Ms Andrea Rother of the University of Cape Town, South Africa was nominated to chair the meeting and Ms Lilian Tornqvist of the Swedish Chemicals Agency was nominated to serve as the Co-Chair. Mr Michael Eddleston of the University of Edinburgh, Mr Tao Chuanjiang of the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture, and Ms Jeannie Richards, FAO consultant, were appointed Rapporteurs.

The meeting agenda was adopted and is provided as Annex 2. Minor adjustments to facilitate timing were made during the course of the meeting.

4. Meeting procedure

The FAO and WHO Secretariat informed the meeting that they had received Declarations of Interest from all the Panel members participating in the 11th Session of the JMPM. The Secretariat had reviewed these and concluded that no circumstances were disclosed that could give rise to a potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest related to the subjects discussed in the JMPM.

5. Developments since the previous session of the JMPM

Reports on activities since the last JMPM were presented by FAO, WHO, UN Environment, OECD, the Pesticide Action Network (PAN), and CropLife International (CLI).

5.1 FAO

FAO activities carried out since the previous JMPM include: publishing guidelines for the

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