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Pest report from NPPO of Germany

Responsible: Julius Kühn-Institut (JKI), Institute for National and International Plant Health

Report sent in 21st January 2013

Reason for reporting: New finding of a pest in Germany

Identity of the pest:	<i>Opogona sacchari</i>
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Categorization of the pest: The pest is listed in Annex IAll of Directive 2000/29/EC.

Host plants concerned: *Pandanus spiralis*

Location: in the city of Rostock, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania

Short description:

- **Date of finding:** 19th December 2013
- **General context of the pest report:** In December 2012 the pest was found in a greenhouse of a zoo in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania. The pest has been identified morphologically. The infested plants have been delivered to the greenhouse in September 2012. It is presumed that the pest was introduced in the greenhouse with these plants. Trace-back investigations are ongoing.
In the last years *Opogona sacchari* was found several times at several locations in Berlin, Thuringia, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, and Saxony. All these findings could be connected with imported plants, some of them in trading companies and others in greenhouses of botanical gardens.
- **Are official control measures being taken?** Yes, quarantine was imposed since 19th December 2012. The infested plants have been destroyed by burning. The whole greenhouse is under supervision of the official plant protection service. Pheromone traps are used for the monitoring.
- **References/Links:** notifications on the occurrence of *Opogona sacchari* (18th August 2011, 5th October 2011, 3rd December 2010, and 16th March 2009)

- **Any additional information:** -

- **Pest status officially declared:** transient, under eradication, in some areas (Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania)

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