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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 29th October 2014

Reason for reporting: First finding in Germany

Identity of the pest:	<i>Thrips palmi</i>
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Categorization of the pest: listed in Directive 2000/29/EC Annex IAI

Host plants concerned: *Cyclamen persicum*

Location: in Straelen in North Rhine-Westphalia

Short description:

- **Date of finding:** 24st October 2014
- **General context of the pest report:** 3500 *Cyclamen persicum* plants in a greenhouse of a trial facility in Straelen (North Rhine-Westphalia) showed symptoms on flowers and leaves. *Thrips palmi* was detected and identified morphologically by the regional plant protection service and the laboratory in the Julius Kühn-Institut (JKI). Trace-back investigations have been started immediately but so far, the origin of the infestation is unknown. The young plants originate in a nursery in North Rhine-Westphalia but no infestations were found in this nursery. It is presumed that the pest may have been introduced into the trial greenhouses with other plant species. Investigations are ongoing.
- **Are official control measures being taken?** Yes, the infested plants have been destroyed and quarantine has been imposed. Further survey activities are ongoing.
- **References/Links:** -

Any additional information: -

Pest status officially declared: transient, only at one location in North Rhine-Westphalia, under eradication

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