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Notification of the presence of a harmful organism

1 General information	
1.1 Title	Confirmed presence of <i>Ripersiella hibisci</i> in Germany (Baden-Wuerttemberg)
1.2 Executive summary	In 2021, Germany was informed as part of trace-forward investigations that <i>Callistemon</i> plants have been delivered from Italy to Germany possibly infested with <i>Ripersiella hibisci</i> . A consignment of 66 plants of <i>Callistemon</i> was delivered to a garden center in Baden-Wuerttemberg. Six plants were confiscated and found to be infested with <i>Ripersiella hibisci</i> . The pest was identified morphologically. In addition, further four remaining plants were destroyed without investigation. All other plants (56 of the consignment) have already been sold to end consumers and could not be traced anymore.
2 Information concerning the single authority and responsible persons	
2.1 Notification from	Julius Kühn-Institut (JKI), Institute for National and International Plant Health, Germany
2.2 Official contact:	Katrin Kaminski, Tel: +49(0)531 299 3378, outbreaks@julius-kuehn.de
3 Location	
3.1 Location	In Baden-Wuerttemberg
4 Reason of the notification and the pest status	
4.1 First finding in Germany or in the area	Confirmed appearance of the pest in part of the territory of Germany, in which its presence was previously unknown.
4.2 Pest status of the area where the harmful organism has been found present, after the official confirmation.	Present: under eradication

4.3 Pest status in Germany before the official confirmation of the presence, or suspected presence, of the harmful organism.	Present: under eradication, only in some parts of Germany
4.4 Pest status in Germany after the official confirmation of the presence of the harmful organism.	Present: under eradication, only in some parts of Germany
5 Finding, sampling, testing and confirmation of the harmful organism	
5.1 How the presence or appearance of the harmful organism was found.	Trace back and forward inspection related to the specific presence of the pest concerned. Germany was informed as part of trace-forward investigations that <i>Callistemon</i> plants have been delivered from Italy to Germany possibly infested with <i>Ripersiella hibisci</i> .
5.2 Date of finding:	26-04-2021
5.3 Sampling for laboratory analysis.	Date of sampling: 25-05-2021
5.4 Name and address of the Laboratory	Landwirtschaftliches Technologiezentrum Augustenberg (LTZ) – Referat 33 Neßlerstraße 25 76227 Karlsruhe Germany
5.5 Diagnostic method	According to peer reviewed protocols (PM 7/55 (1) – <i>Ripersiella hibisci</i>), morphological identification
5.6 Date of official confirmation of the harmful organism's identity.	07-06-2021
6 Infested area, and the severity and source of the outbreak in that area	
6.1 Characteristics of the infested area and its vicinity.	Physically closed conditions: greenhouse Plant to be (re)planted or reproduced
6.2 Host plants in the infested area and its vicinity	<i>Callistemon</i>
6.3 Infested plant(s), plant product(s) and other object(s).	<i>Callistemon</i> (10 pce) 6 plants were investigated at the Laboratory LTZ Augustenberg and they were all infested. In addition, 4 plants of the same consignment could be found and were destroyed (without examination). The consignment originally included 66 plants. 56 already have been sold to end consumers.

6.4 Source of the outbreak	The <i>Callistemon</i> plants have been delivered from Italy to Germany.
7 Official phytosanitary measures	
7.1 Adoption of official phytosanitary measures.	Official phytosanitary measures have been taken. No demarcated area established.
7.2 Date of adoption of the official phytosanitary measures.	11-06-2021
7.3 Objective of the official phytosanitary measures.	Eradication
7.4 Measures affecting the movement of goods.	Measures do not affect import into or movement within the Union of goods.
7.5 Specific surveys.	No
8 Pest risk analysis/assessment	Pest risk analysis is not required (harmful organism is listed in Annex II A of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 and is subject to measures adopted pursuant to Article 30(1) of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031).