

Notification of the presence of a harmful organism – closing note

1 General information	
1.1 Title	Closing note of an outbreak of <i>Lecanosticta acicola</i> in Germany (Baden-Wuerttemberg)
1.2 Executive summary	<p>In 2018, <i>Lecanosticta acicola</i> (Syn. <i>Scirrhia acicola</i>, <i>Mycosphaerella dearnessii</i>) was detected on 1 <i>Pinus nigra</i> tree in a private garden in Baden-Wuerttemberg. In Germany, the pathogen is known to occur on the foothills of the Alps in Bavaria since 1995 and was found for the first time in Saxony in 2018. No measures have been taken.</p> <p><i>L. acicola</i> is listed as RNQP. Therefore, no official phytosanitary eradication or containment measures are taken.</p>
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 Veit, Tel: +49 39 46 47 7516, 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: few occurrences

4.3 Pest status in Germany before the official confirmation of the presence, or suspected presence, of the harmful organism.	Present: few occurrences
4.4 Pest status in Germany after the official confirmation of the presence of the harmful organism.	Present: few occurrences
5 Finding, sampling, testing and confirmation of the harmful organism	
5.1 How the presence or appearance of the harmful organism was found.	Information submitted by professional operators, laboratories or other persons.
5.2 Date of finding:	19-07-2018
5.3 Sampling for laboratory analysis.	31-07-2018
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.
5.6 Date of official confirmation of the harmful organism's identity.	08-08-2018
6 Infested area, and the severity and source of the outbreak in that area	
6.1 Characteristics of the infested area and its vicinity.	Open air – private garden Plant already planted, not to be reproduced or moved
6.2 Host plants in the infested area and its vicinity	<i>Pinus nigra</i>
6.3 Infested plant(s), plant product(s) and other object(s).	<i>Pinus nigra</i> (1 pce)
6.4 Severity of the outbreak.	Unknown
6.5 Source of the outbreak	Unknown
7 Official phytosanitary measures	
7.1 Adoption of official phytosanitary measures.	In 2019, phytosanitary measures in form of chemical treatment have been taken. <i>Lecanosticta acicola</i> is listed as an RNQP, and the regulation only concerns plants for planting. Therefore, no further eradication and containment measures are taken.

8 Pest risk analysis/assessment

Pest risk assessment exists. *Lecanosticta acicola* is listed as RNQP in Annex IV of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072. No further eradication and containment measures are taken.