

Notification of the presence of a harmful organism – closing note

1 General information	
1.1 Title	Closing note on a finding of <i>Ditylenchus destructor</i> in Germany (Brandenburg)
1.2 Executive summary	<p>In 2018, <i>Ditylenchus destructor</i> has been found on rootstocks of <i>Dahlia</i>. The pathogen was found in a nursery in Brandenburg that grows <i>Dahlia</i> exclusively for final consumers.</p> <p>The outdoor area of the nursery has been investigated and the nematode was not detected again. Since <i>Ditylenchus destructor</i> is not regulated as a Union quarantine pest nor as an RNQP on <i>Dahlia</i>, the notification is closed.</p>
2 Information concerning the single authority and responsible persons	
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3 Location	
3.1 Location	In Brandenburg
4 Reason of the notification and the pest status	
4.1 First finding in Germany or in the area	Confirmed appearance of the harmful organism 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.	Absent: pest found present but eradicated
4.3 Pest status in Germany before the official confirmation of the presence, or	Absent: no pest records

suspected presence, of the harmful organism.	
4.4 Pest status in Germany after the official confirmation of the presence of the harmful organism.	Absent: pest eradicated
5 Finding, sampling, testing and confirmation of the harmful organism	
5.1 How the presence or appearance of the harmful organism was found.	Official inspection for purposes other than phytosanitary ones.
5.2 Date of finding:	29-05-2018
5.3 Sampling for laboratory analysis.	Date of sampling: 29-05-2018 3 rhizomes were sampled that did not show normal seasonal growth.
5.4 Name and address of the Laboratory	Landesamt für Ländliche Entwicklung, Landwirtschaft und Flurneuordnung (LELF) Referat 43 Saatenanerkennung. Phytopathologie Steinplatz 1 15806 Zossen Germany
5.5 Diagnostic method	According to peer reviewed protocols.
5.6 Date of official confirmation of the harmful organism's identity.	29-06-2018
6 Infested area, and the severity and source of the outbreak in that area	
6.1 Characteristics of the infested area and its vicinity.	Physically closed conditions: greenhouse Plant to be (re)planted or reproduced
6.2 Host plants in the infested area and its vicinity	<i>Dahlia</i> (500 pce)
6.3 Infested plant(s), plant product(s) and other object(s).	<i>Dahlia</i> (1 pce)
6.4 Severity of the outbreak.	The outbreaks seems to be rather light. Only 3 rhizomes showed symptoms (did not start growing properly).
6.5 Source of the outbreak	Unknown
7 Official phytosanitary measures	
7.1 Adoption of official phytosanitary measures.	Official phytosanitary measures have been taken. The nematode is not regulated for <i>Dahlia</i> and the nursery only produces for final consumers. However, movement of soil to cultivated land was prohibited. Tools and machinery

	<p>that was used for <i>Dahlia</i> production should not be used for production of other plants. The outdoor area of the nursery has been investigated.</p> <p>Since <i>Ditylenchus destructor</i> was not detected again and is neither regulated as a Union quarantine pest nor as an RNQP on <i>Dahlia</i>, no further official measures will be taken.</p>
7.2 Date of adoption of the official phytosanitary measures.	17-09-2018
7.3 Objective of the official phytosanitary measures.	Containment
7.4 Measures affecting the movement of goods.	Measures do not affect import into or movement within the Union of goods.
8 Pest risk analysis/assessment	Pest risk analysis is not required. Pest is listed in Annex IV G of Regulation (EU) 2019/2072.