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Notification of the presence of a harmful organism (2977)

1	**General information**	
1.1	Title	Confirmed presence of *Euwallacea fornicates sensu lato* in Germany (North-Rhine Westphalia)
1.2	Executive summary	In 2024, the staff of a botanical garden have found an infested plant of *Adansonia digitata* in a greenhouse and informed the plant protection service. *Euwallacea fornicatus sensu lato* was identified in the official laboratory with PCR. Only one infested plant has been found so far that has been delivered from another Member State in 2023. The greenhouse was newly built and it is assumed that the pest was introduced with the delivered plants. Official eradication measures will be taken. A demarcated area will be set up consisting of the greenhouse of 1700 m².
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
3	**Location**	
3.1	Location	In North-Rhine Westphalia
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.	Transient: actionable, under eradication
4.3	Pest status in Germany before the official confirmation of the presence, or suspected presence, of the harmful organism.	Present: only in some parts of Germany, under eradication, only in greenhouses

4.4 Pest status in Germany after the official confirmation of the presence of the harmful organism.	Present: only in some parts of Germany, under eradication, only in greenhouses
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. The greenhouse staff found suspicious plants.
5.2 Date of finding:	12-12-2024
5.3 Sampling for laboratory analysis.	Date of sampling: 12-12-2024
5.4 Name and address of the Laboratory	Landwirtschaftskammer Nordrhein-Westfalen Pflanzenschutzdienst Gartenstraße 11 50765 Köln-Auweiler
5.5 Diagnostic method	PCR
5.6 Date of official confirmation of the harmful organism's identity.	08-01-2025
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 already planted, not to be reproduced or moved
6.2 Host plants in the infested area and its vicinity	*Adansonia digitata*
6.3 Infested plant(s), plant product(s) and other object(s).	*Adansonia digitata* (1 pce)
6.4 Severity of the outbreak.	Only one plant is infected. The plant is 6 to 8 meters high.
6.5 Source of the outbreak	The plant was delivered from another Member State in 2023. As the outbreak concerns a newly built greenhouse it is assumed that the pest has been introduced with the delivered plants.
7 Official phytosanitary measures	
7.1 Adoption of official phytosanitary measures.	Official phytosanitary measures will be taken. The concerned greenhouse of 1700 m² will be demarcated area and eradication measures will be taken.
7.2 Identification of the area covered by the official phytosanitary measures.	1700 m²

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.
8 Pest risk analysis/assessment	Pest risk assessment it not required. Pest is listed in Annex II A of the Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072.