



Plant Industries Biosecurity Committee

The Plant Industries Biosecurity Committee (PIBC) was formed in 2020 as a skills-based committee under the Plant Industry Forum to improve Australia's domestic plant biosecurity system.

Purpose

The PIBC provides a mechanism to identify and prioritise plant biosecurity capacity and capability issues along the Australian biosecurity continuum with an emphasis on the domestic plant biosecurity system.

It seeks to identify issues and offer solutions to stakeholders including investigating RD&E opportunities, systems and/or technology measures.

The PIBC also provides comments and prosecutes ideas aimed at improving Australia's plant biosecurity (pre and post border) activities including import/export of plant products, border interception data and general Emergency Plant Pest threats along with government agencies.

Membership

PIBC is chaired by Zarmeen Hassan (AUSVEG).

Members comprise representatives from Plant Industry Members of PHA with an interest in the domestic plant biosecurity system.

Ex-officio members who contribute a particular skill are also invited to participate at committee meetings. Current ex-officio members include:

- Plant Health Australia (PHA)
- Plant Biosecurity Research Initiative (PBRI)
- Hort Innovation
- Plant Health Committee (PHC) Chair.

Observers with specialist expertise may be invited to attend meetings at the discretion of the Chair.

Administrative support

Secretariat support for PIBC is provided by PHA.

Related groups

Plant Industry Forum - Formed in 2006 for all Plant Industry Members of PHA to collaborate and progress common goals to strengthen Australia's biosecurity system.

Contact

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