Horizon Scanning Tool

The Horizon Scanning Tool is a decision support aid that helps users identify potential invasive species threats to a country, state or province.

The tool uses CABI Compendia data to generate a list of species that are absent from your selected 'area at risk' but present in 'source countries' i.e. countries with similar climates to your 'area at risk', neighbouring or selected trading countries, or countries where there are major transport links.

How do I access the Horizon Scanning Tool?

There are two versions of the Horizon Scanning tool available; a premium version for subscribers to the Crop Protection Compendium (CPC) and a free version for users of the open-access Invasive Species Compendium (ISC). All users can access the filters (for pathways, habitats and taxonomic group), view the full species results list, output a CSV file of the results, and open the ISC datasheets to access further information. The premium version provides two extra filters (for plant hosts and plant parts in trade) and links to additional pest datasheets that are only available in the CPC.

Who will use the Horizon Scanning Tool?

Risk assessors, plant protection officers, quarantine officers, protected area managers and researchers will find that the Horizon Scanning Tool provides a quick and user-friendly means of accessing a large volume of relevant data for categorizing and prioritizing potential invasive species.

Key features:

- Climate matching using the Köppen-Geiger climate classification system to highlight where pests may be a risk in similar climates,

- Trade partners lists supplied from the UN's Comtrade database allowing you to select general import commodities or animal and plant commodities,

- Unique URL generation for each scan allowing you to share, save and bookmark the results

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