

Banana Strategic Investment Advisory Panel meeting summary

Date: 22 March 2018

Attendance: Andre Drenth, Rosie Godwin, Stewart Lindsay, Cameron Mackay, Mark Nucifora, Doug Phillips, Stephen Spear, David Tate, David Cliffe (stand in Chair for Peter O'Brien), Corrine Jasper, Brenda Kranz, Penny Measham (Hort Innovation) Miriam O'Brien (minute taker). Apologies: Peter O'Brien, Matt Abbott (SIAP members) and Tim Archibald (Hort Innovation),

Location: Teleconference

Next Meeting: July 2018.

Overview

The banana SIAP teleconference included an update on the banana R&D investment program and a discussion on prioritising an investment for consumer data. Industry engagement, subcommittee and interaction with SIAP over the next 12/18 months was also included. A report on progress of the Plant Protection Project was provided. Along with an update on the Banana Bunchy Top Virus Project.

Concepts discussed for possible future investment:

- Growing Leaders
- Economic Impacts of Pest Incursions
- Data Collection and Investment

Projects recommended for investment

- Molecular markers for Fusarium Wilt

Anyone seeking further information on Hort Innovation's banana R&D investments should note that a full list of projects, together with an overview of the program financials will be available on the banana webpage of the Hort Innovation website.

Next steps

Hort Innovation will arrange a SIP gap analysis at the next face to face meeting of the SIAP.

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