



Better Training for Safer Food *Initiative*

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High risk pathways

Session 15

Highest risk – Plants for planting

Plants intended to remain planted, to be planted or replanted (ISPM 5)

- EPPO study – safe imports?



Plants for planting



http://www.eppo.int/QUARANTINE/EPPO_Study_on_Plants_for_planting.pdf

Plant Produce

- Plant produce – e.g. tomato fruit
 - EPPO Study

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Risks from import of tomato fruit (1)

- Recent outbreaks/interception on new pests in tomato trade
- New risk because fruits are now imported in areas/facilities where fruits are also produced
- Review of production and trade patterns

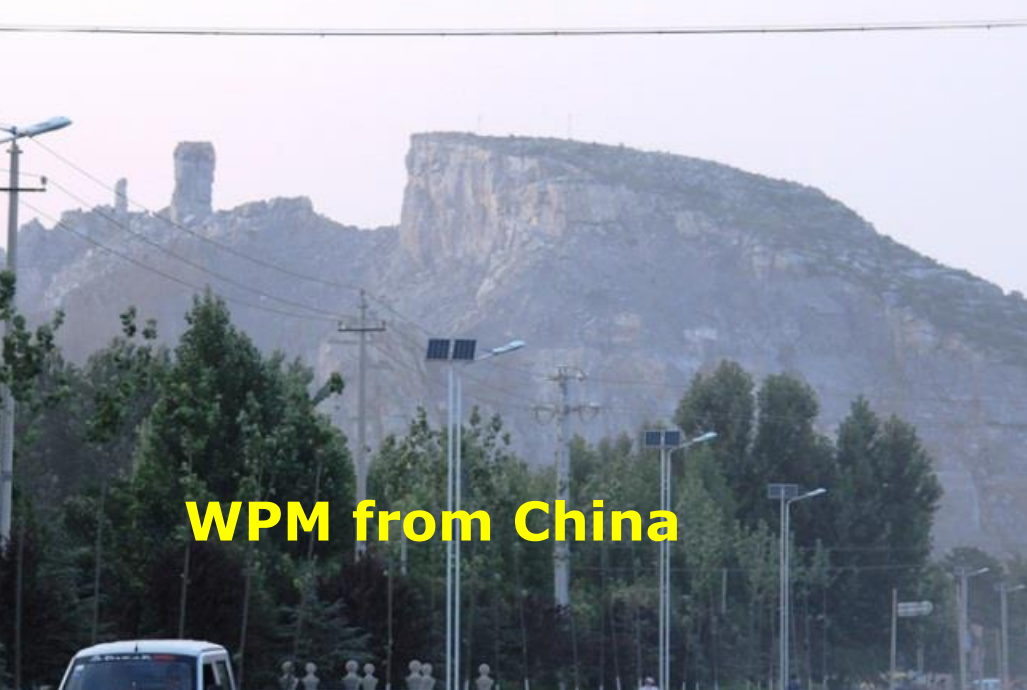
Risks from import of tomato fruit (2)

- Step 1: Listing tomato pests worldwide (1102 organisms listed!)
- Step 2: Identifying pests for further study, and classify them in risk categories (417 pests)
- Step 3: Document potential threats
- http://www.eppo.int/QUARANTINE/DT_1068_Tomato_study_MAIN_TEXT_and_ANNEXES_2015-01-26.pdf

Wood Packaging Material

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WPM from China



Heat treatment facility





Dunnage

Wood packaging from Turkey with bark





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Firewood



Trade in firewood

- EU imports fuel wood increased 10 fold in last 10 years
- EU imports >12 million tonnes fuel wood (mainly from Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Albania)
- Low value commodity, often with bark and little or no processing (kiln drying or heat treatment)
- Lack of information on trade in firewood
- UK survey – 24 firewood importers - 98% imports from EU (Lithuania and Latvia).....origin?
- UK imports 10,000 tonnes annually - mainly ash (60%) and birch
- Some wood received > 20% moisture
- Air-drying and some kiln drying not effective in killing pests

Imported furniture

**July 2013 – report
by member of
public**







Imports from China

- *Several factories produce 10,000 chairs/month for export to Europe and USA.*
- *UK imported around 84,000 chairs in 2012/13*
- *Unit cost to import - 7 euros each*
 - *Retail price in UK - 28 – 300 euros each*
- *Mainly constructed of soft wood (pine)*
- *Wood should have been heat treated (56°C/30mins)*
- *28 chairs examined - 7 found with beetle galleries and/or fungal staining (6400 chairs in consignment).*
- *Issue raised at Standing Committee in Brussels*
- *PWN with vector introduced*

Cerambycidae in your sofa



- **NZ sofa survey**
- **49 sofas from China and Malaysia**
- **32 had signs of insect damage**
- **Bark found in 19 sofas**



2008 – Bed from China

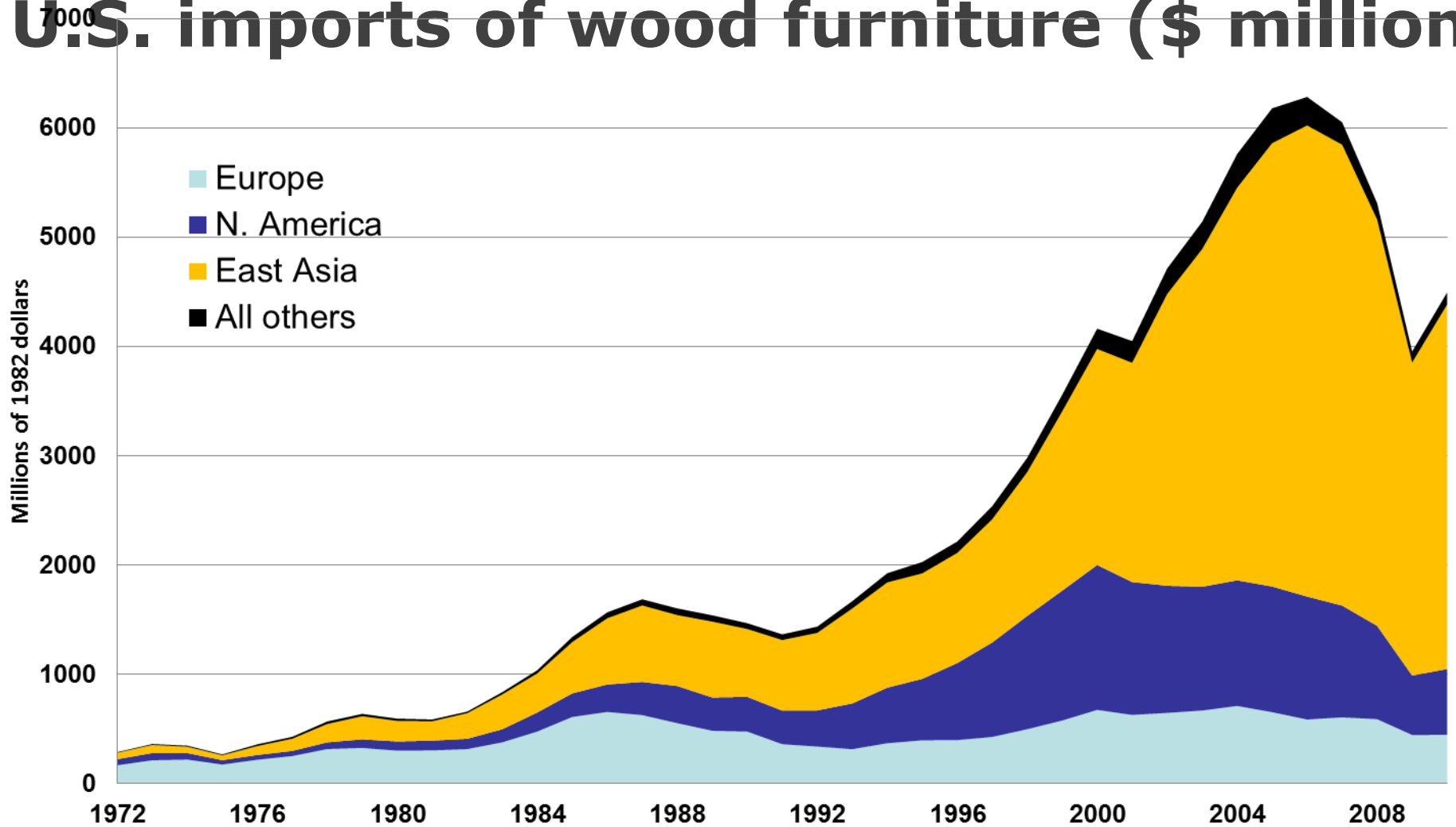
Stromatium longicornne





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U.S. imports of wood furniture (\$ million)





Thank you!

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