

About the event

Healthy seeds maximize chances for healthy plants and good harvests, particularly for vegetables as any damage leads to reduced yield and fruit marketability.

The vegetable seed industry is active through the International Seed Health Initiative (ISHI), under the umbrella of the International Seed Federation (ISF), for developing and validating standard protocols for disease detection.

The development of recent molecular techniques has helped in hastening tests and increasing sensitivity. Biological relevance results need to be kept in mind as detection of pathogen particles does not necessarily lead to diseases. An overview of ISF, ISHI, RPLI and main seed testing methods will be presented. A roundtable on topics like biological relevance, seed transmission and sensitivity of detection methods is part of the program.

Why should you attend?

Discover the International Seed Health Initiative (ISHI) and the Regulated Pest List Initiative (RPLI)

Gain knowledge on the ISHI method validation systems

Review challenges on seed transmission and methodologies

Share your experience in plant pathology to address the challenges of moving seeds internationally

Who should attend?

Plant scientists and researchers

National Plant Protection Officers

Company-based experts in plant pathology, seed health, seed quality