

Charter for the National Plant Biosecurity Diagnostic Network

The purpose of the National Plant Biosecurity Diagnostic Network (the Network) is to enhance the delivery of plant biosecurity diagnostic services in Australia to safeguard the economy, environment and community. The Network improves Australia's ability to respond to plant pests through better utilising available skills and capacity, improving connections and sharing of information, and coordinating the effective development and deployment of diagnostic resources.

The Network consists of organisational, individual and coordinating members. Individual and organisational members:

- diagnose exotic and established plant pests;
- exchange experience and expertise through the Network; and
- improve the capacity of the Network by developing new or improved technologies and procedures.

Coordinating Network members:

- oversee the strategic direction and development of the Network and its members;
- · manage the Network structure to optimise efficiencies and to assist members; and
- communicate on behalf of the Network and promote the Australasian plant biosecurity diagnostic system.