



agriculture, land reform & rural development

Department:
Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA



International Day of Plant Health 12 May

The five specific objectives of the International Day of Plant Health (IDPH):

1. Increasing awareness on the importance of keeping plants healthy to achieve the United Nations 2030 sustainable development goals, particularly Sustainable Development Goal 2 (Zero hunger).
2. Ensuring safe trade in plants and plant products by complying with international plant health standards
3. Enabling sustainable pest and pesticide management to keep plants healthy while protecting the environment.
4. Strengthening monitoring and early-warning systems to protect plants and plant health.
5. Promoting investment in plant health capacity development, research and outreach.

Actions you can take (source: <https://planthealthaction.org/>):



NB: Buy responsibly; source plants from reputable nurseries and suppliers. Clean your boots after visiting farms, woodlands and parks to help limit the spread of potentially devastating plant diseases.

For awareness and promotion enquiries contact:

Directorate: Food Import and Export Standards

Tel.: +27 12 319 6295/6475/6198/6176

Email: Info.sps@dalrrd.gov.za • Website: www.dalrrd.gov.za



Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations



Funded by the
European Union