



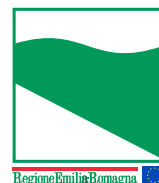
Diagnostic and extension

Plant Protection Service, through its experts who hold courses, conferences and publish scientific and explanatory articles, is a reference point for technicians and growers. The diagnostic activity is an essential part of the extension service: each year thousands of plant and soil samples are examined to determine the level of infestation or contamination and therapies and agronomic practices are recommended.

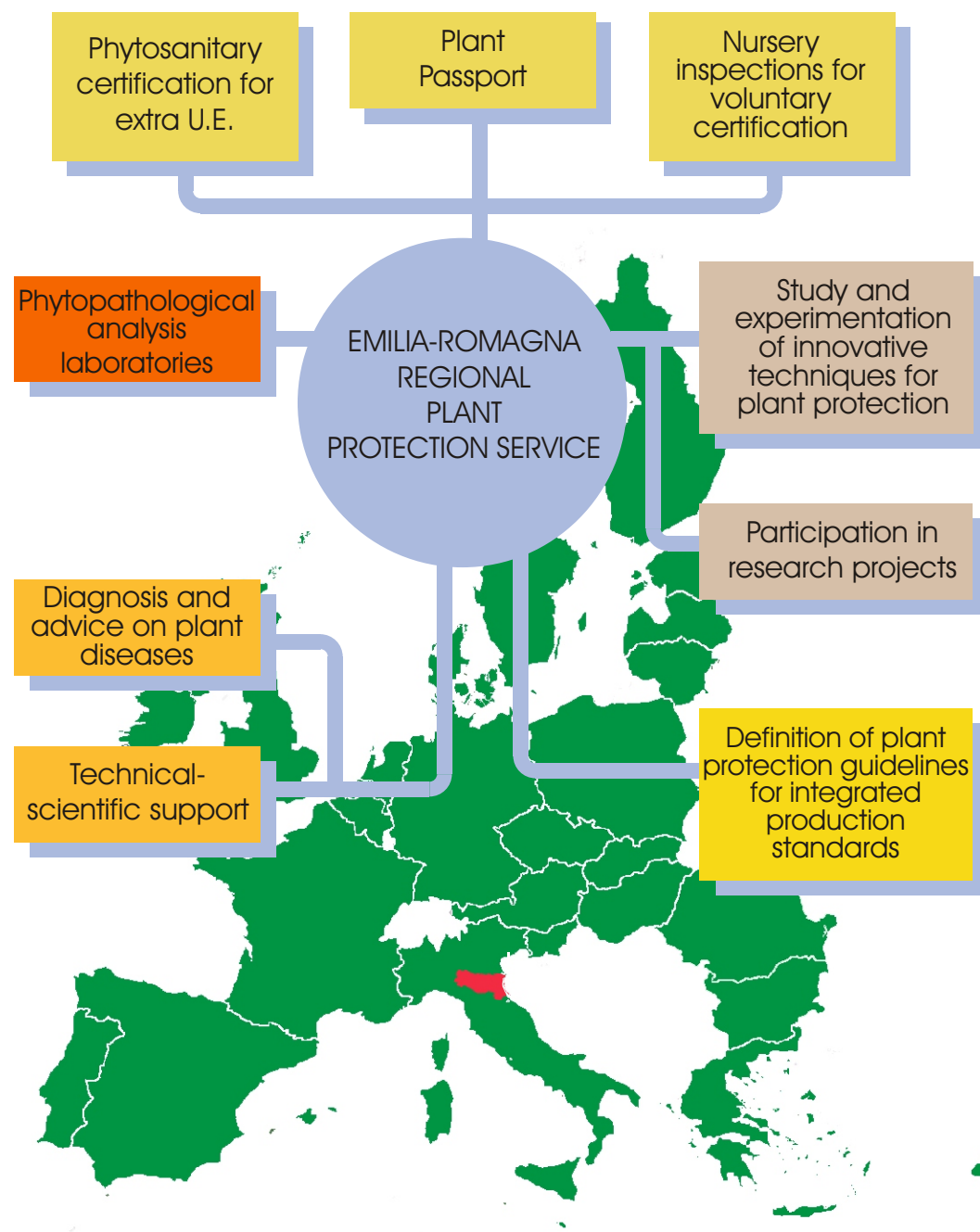


Integrated Production

The aim of the integrated production is to achieve quality agricultural produce and protect the environment. The Emilia-Romagna region has defined "Integrated Production Guidelines" for the most important crops grown in the region.



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Phytosanitary certification and controls

In order to avoid the introduction and spreading of harmful quarantine organisms, Phytosanitary Inspectors check plants and plant products imported from and exported to Third countries and issue appropriate phytosanitary certificates.

Inspections are also carried out in the field on commercial farms, to license producers listed in the Official Register and authorize the issue of the Plant Passport for the regulated products so that they can circulate freely in the European Union.

Moreover, Plant Protection Service checks mother-plant fields and nurseries in the framework of the National Voluntary Phytosanitary and Genetic Certification Scheme.



Phytopathological analysis

Plant Protection Service's laboratories and climatized glass-houses are used to carry out analysis and tests on plants grown under controlled conditions. Insects, mites, nematodes, fungi, bacteria, viruses and weeds are studied by specialists.



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Research and experimentation

Plant Protection Service operates with its own resources and equipment, in cooperation with University Institutes, public bodies and private companies. Experimental and demonstration fields are set up to develop and test new techniques and disease and pest control methods and identify useful genetic resistance traits. The laboratories are also involved in setting up new methods of analysis for the detection and identification of harmful organisms.