



## ePhyto-making trade safer, cheaper and faster!

### About the ePhyto Solution

The ePhyto Solution is a global initiative, involving over 100 countries, introduced by the IPPC in 2018. Since 2020, BAF has been implementing the ePhyto system in Fiji. By the end of the implementation, the use of ePhytos will become mandatory for all commercial phytosanitary certificates in Fiji.

For more information, please visit the BAF website or contact the ePhyto support team.

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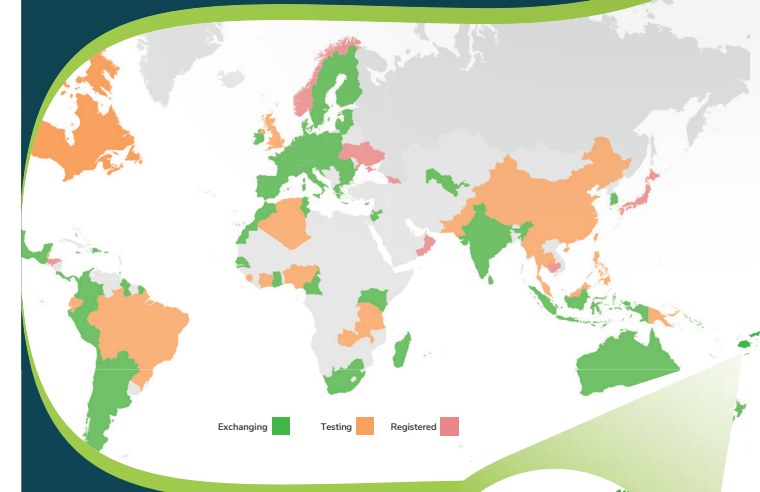
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## How do I register on the ePhyto System?

Please follow these 5 steps to become registered by BAF:

**Step 1:** Obtain the GeNS registration form from the BAF website or nearest BAF Station.

**Step 2:** Complete the GeNS registration form and submit to BAF via email or at the nearest BAF office.

**Step 3:** BAF will register the provided users on GeNS.

**Step 4:** Once registered, the users will receive two sets of email – one to verify your email and once verified, another one that provides the user name and password

**Step 5:** Ready to go – the users can now log in to GeNS and apply for ePhytos.

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## INTRODUCING ePHYTOS IN FIJI

The Biosecurity Authority Fiji is transitioning to electronic Phytosanitary certificates



## What is an ePhyto?

### ePhyto stands for electronic phytosanitary certificate

ePhytos are essential documents required for the international trade of plants and plant-based products. These certificates are issued by the Biosecurity Authority of Fiji (BAF) to ensure that traded goods meet the phytosanitary requirements of importing countries. Traditionally, phytosanitary certificates were issued on paper - a time-consuming and resource-intensive process. With the advent of new technologies, ePhytos have been developed to replace paper-based certificates. ePhytos are digital certificates that can be created, transmitted, and stored electronically, simplifying and streamlining the certification process.

ePhytos contain the same information as traditional paper certificates, such as the details of the consignment, the exporting country, and the importing country. ePhytos are recognized and accepted by importing countries as an official document for the importation of plant and plant products and is equivalent to currently issued hard copy paper certificates.

## Where do I apply for an ePhyto?

An ePhyto is generated and transmitted through the Generic ePhyto National System (GeNS). GeNS is a web-based system developed by the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) through the United Nations International Computing Centre (UNICC).

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GeNS is used by National Plant Protection Organisations (NPPOs) around the world to create, send, and receive ePhytos for the international trade of plants and plant-based products. GeNS provides a secure and standardized platform for the exchange of ePhytos, making it easier for countries to comply with international phytosanitary requirements.

## Why should I use ePhytos?

The implementation of the ePhytos has numerous benefits for exporters and importers in Fiji:

- Streamlined and Faster processing time
- Reduced errors and costs
- Improves record keeping
- Enhanced transparency and traceability
- Environmentally friendly