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# Cost-Benefit Analyses of ePhyto Adoption

# Preliminary Results of the Country Case Studies

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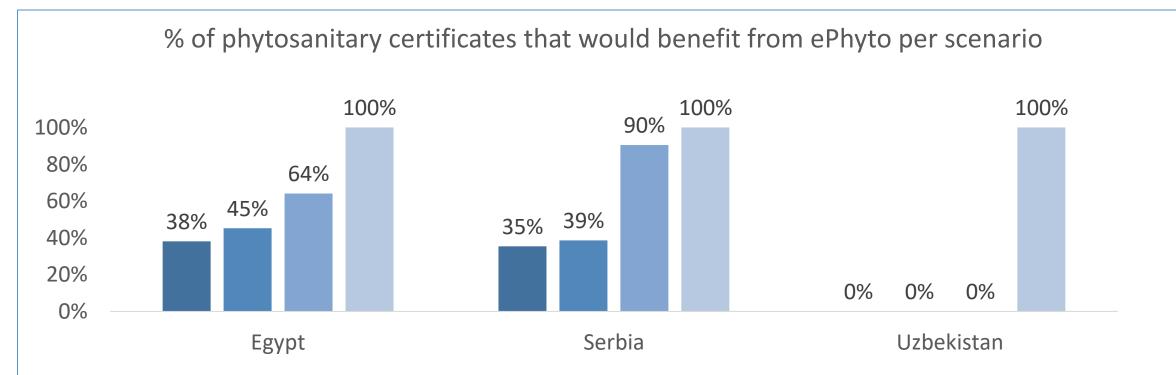
# Introduction

Objective	To quantify the costs and benefits of switching paper form to digital phytosanitary certificates (PCs) for <b>Egypt, Serbia, Uzbekistan and Ukraine (</b> Ukraine in progress).
Methodology	Compare costs and revenues of ePhyto adoption with paper system.
Without ePhyto Situation	The country does not transit to ePhyto and trades using paper PCs.
With ePhyto Situation	The country uses ePhytos and paper PCs are no longer required.
Commodities	Egypt: fresh fruits (mostly citruses), potatoes, tomatoes, onions Serbia: fresh fruits Uzbekistan: fresh fruits
Stakeholders	<ul> <li>The analysis considers additional costs (or cost savings) for:</li> <li>The private sector/exporters</li> <li>The government</li> <li>Society (for externalities in the form of greenhouse gas emissions (GHG))</li> </ul>
Perspective	Exporting company and country perspective (economic analysis)

## **Methodology: Assessed costs and savings**

Cost	Who pays	Additional cost or saving when switching to ePhyto	
Cost of obtaining the certificate (applying for and/or picking up the certificate)	Exporters	Savings	
Costs associated to reissues and/or delays	Exporters	Savings	
Administration printing costs	Government	Savings	
Setup costs for ePhyto	Government	Additional cost	
Operational costs	Government	Additional cost	
GHG emissions associated to reissues of PCs	Society	Savings	

#### Methodology: Shipments using ePhyto based on ePhyto export partners



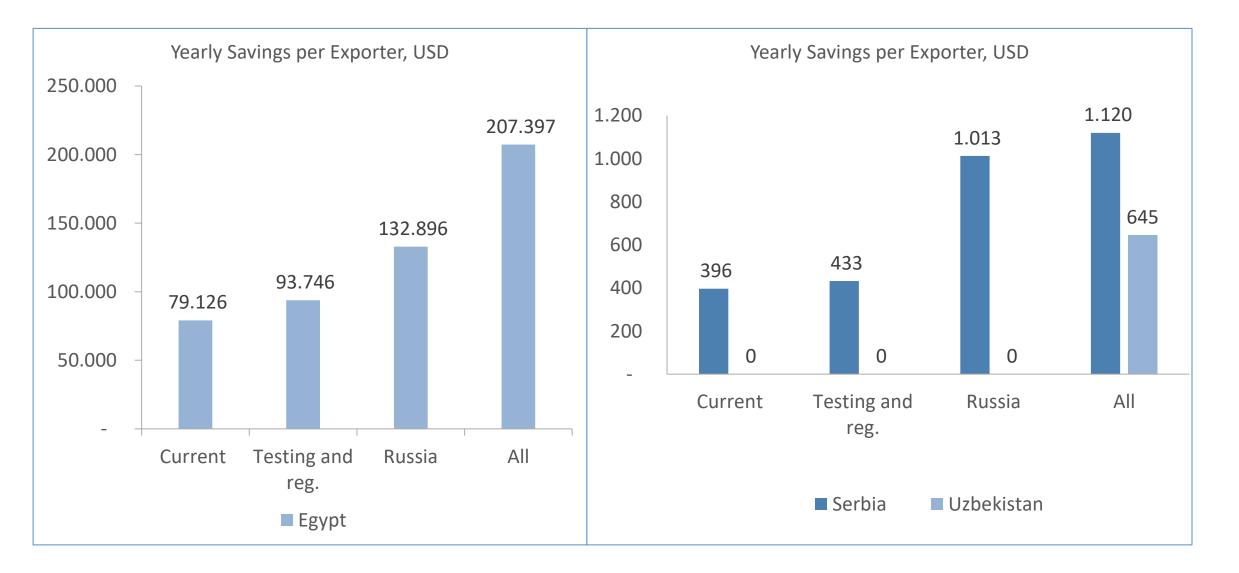
Current: Current ePhyto countries use ePhyto, and CEFTA economies also adopt ePhyto in the case of Serbia

- Testing and Reg.: Current ePhyto countries and countries testing and registered for ePhyto use ePhyto.
- Russia: Current ePhyto countries, countries testing and registered for ePhyto and Russia use ePhyto.
- All: All countries adopt and use ePhyto.

# **Preliminary results: Exporters' savings (per company)**

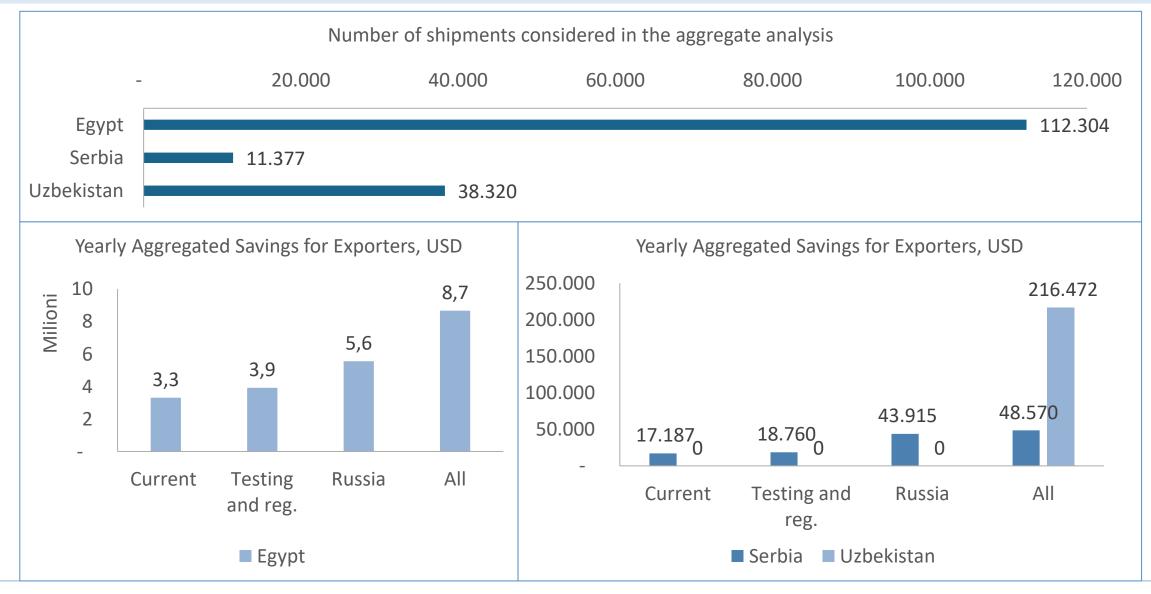
Interview Findings	Unit	Egypt	Serbia	Uzbekistan
Number of interviewed companies	Companies	12	9	13
Average volume of exports per PC	kg	19,691	20,000	20,750
Average saving per shipment where ePhyto applies	USD	83.0	4.5	6.3
Average saving per tonne exported	USD	4.21	0.22	0.30
Average number of shipments per company per year	Shipments	2,499	250	103

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### **Preliminary Results: Country-level results, exporters' savings**



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