Objective:
Use the BCH Central Portal to find the CPB articles, the COP-MOP decisions as well as the capacity building activities that are relevant to Transboundary Movements (i.e. Articles 17, 18, 25) of LMOs and could assist the customs officers in performing their tasks.

References:
Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety
COP-MOP Decisions
BCH Manual MO04: Finding information in the BCH Central Portal
BCH Manual MO11: Using the BCH for Custom and Border Control Officers tasks

Scenario:
You are a Principal Custom officer in Republic of Korea responsible for organizing customs activities related to transboundary movements of LMOs. You need to find what articles of CPB and COP/MOP decisions are relevant to this task. You also want to find what activities on BCH Central Portal can help you in your agency capacity building for that task.
CASE STUDY 28:
Principal custom officer looks for relevant CPB articles, COP-MOP decisions and capacity building opportunities

TRAINER NOTES

Training Objective:
Participants are invited to search the BCH Central Portal to find relevant CPB articles related to Transboundary Movements (i.e. Articles 17, 18, 25) and relevant capacity building activities (Handling, Transport, Packaging and Identification of Living Modified Organisms, Customs Officials Forum, Network of Laboratories for LMO Detection & Identification, Training Materials)

Requirements:
Access to the BCH.

Notes:
• Some users might follow different paths to retrieve information...
• Answers may have change from the date of preparation and trainers may have to carry out the exercise beforehand to update the expected results.

Teachable Moment:
• Facilitate use of BCH Central Portal to find information on the Handling, Transport, Packaging and Identification of Living Modified Organisms and Customs Forum.

Possible solutions
• From BCH Home page go to ‘Text of the Protocol’ from ‘The Protocol’ falling menu. Inspect Protocol articles and identify the ones relevant to customs (17, 18, 25).
• From BCH home page open ‘COPMOP Decisions’ from ‘The Protocol’ falling menu. Select ‘CPB Handling, transport, packaging and identification (Art. 18)’ in ‘Subject’ field of Decisions search engine. You will get list of 10 relevant decisions.
• From ‘The Protocol’ falling menu of BCH home page, open ‘Handling, Transport, Packaging and Identification’ under ‘Key Protocol Issues’. There you can find the text of Protocol Article 18 Handling, Transport, Packaging and Identification. On the left bar from that page you can go directly to ‘HTPI Portal’, the Portal on Handling, Transport, Packaging and Identification. This Portal is home to ongoing discussions and work on the handling, transport, packaging and identification of living modified organisms (LMOs) under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety. You will find information on the: Network of LMO detection and identification laboratories and Training of trainers’
Workshops for customs officials on the identification and documentation of LMOs. You will also find archives of past discussions such as the Online Forum on Standards for LMO Shipments (paragraph 3 of Article 18 of the Protocol). Explore the links at this page for more information.