



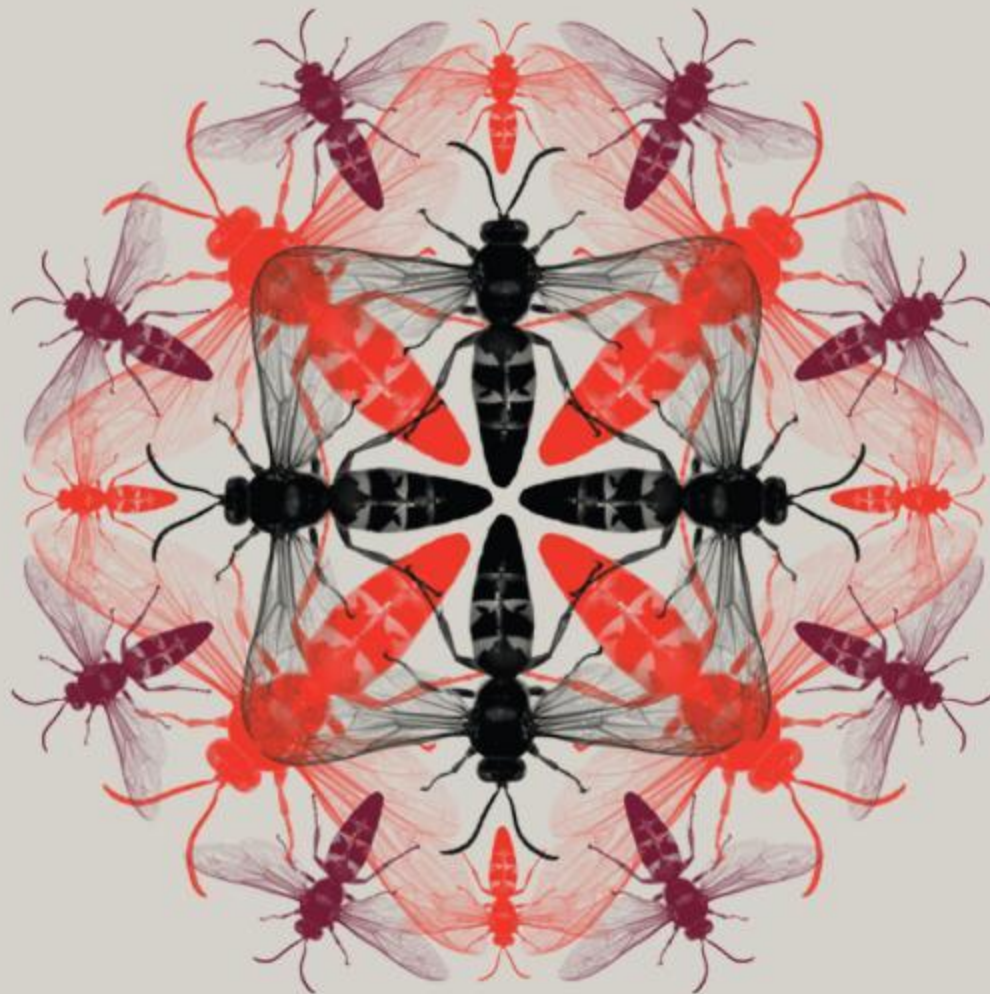
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Biosecurity Operations,
Emerging Challenges
Impacting Torres Strait

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Border Control – Torres Strait



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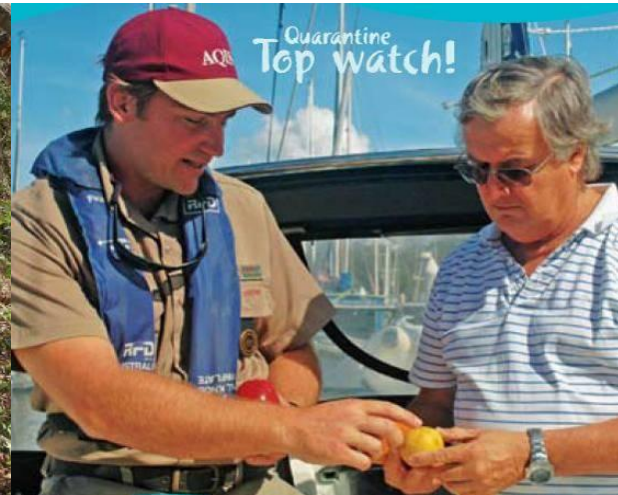
(Above) officers inspecting goods brought ashore by Traditional Visitors from PNG



Cargo and pre-permit inspections



Torres Strait Biosecurity



Surveillance and Public Awareness





Border operations delivered by officers based in Cairns, Weipa, Bamaga and all inhabited islands of Torres Strait.

Torres Strait staff also deliver fruit fly response activities under agreement with the Qld State Gov't.



Emerging challenges

- Increasing movements
- Offshore biosecurity threats
- Impact of changing climatic conditions.

Opportunities

- Continued staff employment from local communities
- Offshore capacity building with PNG
- Collaborations with other agencies operating in TS on activities relevant to biosecurity
- Biosecurity infrastructure improvements.

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Biosecurity Risk Pathways

