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Predictions to prevent arrival of invasive non-native species

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Non-native species are rapidly increasing in number globally. Some, socalled invasive non-native species, cause serious problems for the environment and society

Predicting future invaders is pivotal for informing strategy and prioritising action to reduce the threat of invasive non-native species



We have developed an evidence-based horizon scanning method to identify and prioritise invasive non-native species and this has been implemented for Great Britain, Europe and the UK Overseas Territories



based discussions at consensus workshop







Predicting pathways of arrival for invasive non-native species with medium, high or very high risk to the EU

- Early warning
- Rapid response





Raising awareness of the threat from invasive non-native species across the UK Overseas Territories



Vespa veluting, Asian hornet: ranked as top 10 threat to GB

through an EC contract



Preys on pollinating insects

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Horizon scanning for invasive alien species with the potential to threaten biodiversity in Great Britain

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particularly pollinating insects, because of its wide range of prey. A recent study showed that the Asian hornet is more effective than the European hornet at establishing new nests, and it is also onsidered bolder and more active an exploratory than its European cou Report sightings using the free 'Asian Hornet Watch' app. or online at nonnativespecies.org/alerts/asianhorn

public engagement



Reports of potential Asian hornets. To date, only 13 confirmed sightings of Asian hornet in England

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Six nests destroyed

 \bigcirc 2016, Eradicated

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