



## **78<sup>th</sup> Plenary Meeting – Brisbane (Australia)**

### **MINUTES**

#### **First Plenary Session**

#### **Discussion of Government Reports**

15:15 hrs, Monday 2 December 2019

Chair: **Dr Alison McMorrow**, Assistant Secretary, Agricultural Policy Division, Department of Agriculture, Australia

**Country Reports:** The ICAC implemented a new approach to Country Reports at this year's Plenary Meeting to encourage more interaction and discussion. Members and international organisations were asked to submit their reports to the Secretariat and they were posted on the website early so everyone had time to read them before the meeting began, and come to the discussion with questions prepared. Advance reports were provided by 14 countries and two international organisations. Although the new structure resulted in slightly fewer reports being submitted than in past years (17 Country Reports were submitted in 2018), the format worked well, with delegates asking informed questions of each other on specific areas of interest from the reports.