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AND DNA-PROFILING IN PARTICULAR****Fifteenth Session
Moscow, Russian Federation, May 24 to 27, 2016**

DRAFT AGENDA

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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Reports on developments in UPOV concerning biochemical and molecular techniques (document to be prepared by the Office of the Union)
4. Short presentations on new developments in biochemical and molecular techniques by DUS experts, biochemical and molecular specialists, plant breeders and relevant international organizations (oral reports by participants)
5. Report of work on molecular techniques in relation to DUS examination (papers invited)
6. International guidelines on molecular methodologies (document to be prepared by the Office of the Union)
7. Variety description databases (papers invited)
8. Methods for analysis of molecular data (papers invited)
9. The use of molecular techniques in examining essential derivation¹ (papers invited)
10. The use of molecular techniques in variety identification¹ (papers invited)
11. Cooperation between OECD, UPOV, ISTA and ISO (document to be prepared by the Office of the Union)
12. Date and place of next session
13. Future program
14. Report of the session (if time permits)
15. Closing of the session

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¹ Breeders-Day, May 25, 2016