

Technical Working Party on Automation and Computer Programs TWC/35/1 Rev.**Thirty-Fifth Session
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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Short reports on developments in plant variety protection
 - (a) Reports from members and observers (document TWC/35/3)
 - Increasing participation of new members of the Union in the work of the TC and TWPs (document TWP/1/19)
 - (b) Report on developments within UPOV (document TWC/35/2)
4. Organization of the UPOV sessions (document TWP/1/24)
5. Variety denominations (document TWP/1/6)
6. TGP documents (document TWP/1/1 Rev.)

Revision of TGP documents

TGP/5: Section 1: Model Administrative Agreement for International Cooperation in the Testing of Varieties
 - *Confidentiality of molecular information* (document TWP/1/9)TGP/7: Development of Test Guidelines
 - *Duration of DUS tests* (document TWP/1/11)
 - *Characteristics which only apply to certain varieties* (document TWP/1/12)TGP/14: Glossary of Terms Used in UPOV Documents
 - *Illustrations for shape and ratio characteristics* (document TWP/1/18)
7. Consideration of possible reorganization of TGP/8 (document TWC/35/11)
8. Assessing Uniformity by Off-Types on the Basis of More than One Growing Cycle or on the Basis of Sub-Samples (document TWP/1/17 Rev.)
 - Assessing Uniformity by Offtypes on the Basis of more than one Growing Cycle: examples from Netherlands (document TWC/35/8)
9. Molecular Techniques (documents TWP/1/7)
10. Number of growing cycles in DUS examination (documents TWP/1/21 and TWC/35/7)
11. Data Processing for the Assessment of Distinctness and for Producing Variety Descriptions (document TWP/1/15)
 - (a) Short descriptions
 - (i) Guidance for Development of Variety Descriptions: the Italian Experience (document TWC/35/10)
 - (ii) Short Explanation on the Japanese Methods for Assessment Table for Producing Variety Descriptions (document TWC/35/12)

- (iii) Reasons and situations when the approaches described in the United Kingdom practical exercise (document TWC/30/32) would/would not be appropriate for transforming observations into notes on measured, quantitative characteristics (document TWC/35/14)
 - (iv) Short explanation on some United Kingdom methods for Data Processing for the Assessment of Distinctness and for Producing Variety Descriptions for measured quantitative characters (document TWC/35/15)
 - (b) Review results of practical exercise (document TWC/35/9)
 - (c) Genotype-by-environment interaction, DUS tests and data transformation into notes (document TWC/35/5)
12. Software, Information and databases
- (a) UPOV information databases (document TWP/1/4)
 - (b) Variety description databases (document TWP/1/2)
 - (c) Exchange and use of software and equipment (document TWP/1/5)
 - (d) Electronic application systems (document TWP/1/3)
 - (e) Software for statistical analysis (document TWP/1/16)
 - (f) Management of variety collections (document TWP/1/14)
 - (g) Management of databases (document TWC/35/4)
 - (h) A single tool for DUS computation process (document TWC/35/17)
 - (i) Implementation of a Document Management System for Variety Files (document TWC/35/16)
13. Statistical methods
- (a) Excluding varieties of common knowledge from the second growing cycle (documents TWP/1/22 and TWC/35/13)
 - (b) Statistical methods and software for visually observed characteristics (document TWP/1/23)
 - (c) The Combined-Over-Years Uniformity Criterion (COYU) (documents TWP/1/13 and TWC/35/6)
14. Image analysis (document TWP/1/10)
15. Procedure for partial revision of UPOV Test Guidelines (document TWP/1/20)
16. Guidance for drafters of Test Guidelines (document TWP/1/8)
17. Date and place of the next session
18. Future program
19. Adoption of the Report on the session (if time permits)
20. Closing of the session

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