

Technical Working Party on Automation and Computer Programs TWC/36/1 Rev.2**Thirty-Sixth Session
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REVISED DRAFT AGENDA*prepared by the Office of the Union**Disclaimer: this document does not represent UPOV policies or guidance*

1. Opening of the Session
2. Adoption of the agenda (document TWC/36/1 Rev. 2)
3. Short reports on developments in plant variety protection
 - (a) Reports from members and observers (document TWC/36/3 Prov.)
 - (b) Report on developments within UPOV (document TWC/36/11)
4. Variety denominations (document TWP/2/6)
5. TGP documents (document TWP/2/1)
 - (a) Duration of DUS tests (document TWP/2/9)
 - (b) Illustrations for shape and ratio characteristics (document TWP/2/11)
 - (c) UPOV Color groups (document TWP/2/12)
6. Software, Information and databases
 - (a) UPOV information databases (document TWP/2/4)
 - (b) Variety description databases (document TWP/2/2)
 - (c) Exchange and use of software and equipment (document TWP/2/5)
 - (d) Electronic application systems (document TWP/2/3)
 - (e) Implementation of a document management system for variety files (document TWC/36/14)
 - (f) Web services provided by UPOV and members of the Union (document TWC/36/8)
 - (g) Experience in the management of reference collections with the SELECT method (document TWC/36/13)
7. Molecular Techniques (document TWP/2/7 Rev.)
 - (a) An Introduction of Molecular Markers used in DUS research in the Netherlands (document TWC/36/9)
 - (b) Selection of similar varieties for maize, rice and wheat using a DNA database (document TWC/36/10)
 - (c) Statistical methods and software tools for molecular techniques in DUS examination (document TWC/36/12)
8. Survey on approaches for obtaining plant material from breeders and on deciding on varieties whose existence is a matter of common knowledge (document TWP/2/13)
9. Method of calculation of the Combined-Over-Years Uniformity Criterion (COYU): an update on progress (document TWC/36/4)

10. Assessing Uniformity by Off-Types on the Basis of More than One Growing Cycle or on the Basis of Sub-Samples (document TWP/2/10)
 - Risks associated with assessment of uniformity by off-types on the basis of more than one growing cycle (document TWC/36/7)
11. Compilation of explanations on methods for producing varieties descriptions for measured characteristics, and clarification of differences (document TWC/36/2)
12. Impact of the number of growing cycles on variety descriptions and discrimination power (documents TWC/36/6 and TWC/36/6 Add.)
13. Experience with using two locations by one year for DUS decisions (document TWC/36/5)
14. Guidance for drafters of Test Guidelines (document TWP/2/8)
15. Date and place of the next session
16. Future program
17. Adoption of the Report on the session (if time permits)
18. Closing of the session

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