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## INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS GENEVA

## **TECHNICAL WORKING PARTY FOR FRUIT CROPS**

## Preparatory Workshop for the Forty-Second Session Hiroshima, Japan November 13, 2011

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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- 1. Introduction to the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV)
- 2. Overview of the General Introduction (document TG/1/3 and TGP documents)
- 3. Guidance on drafting Test Guidelines (document TGP/7)
  - (a) Selection of characteristics
  - (b) Guidance on drafting characteristics
    - (i) Types of expression (QL, QN, PQ), notes and distinctness
    - (ii) Method of observation (V/M; G/S)
    - (iii) Asterisked, grouping and TQ characteristics
    - (iv) Example varieties
  - (c) The process for developing UPOV Test Guidelines
- 4. UPOV databases (UPOV-ROM Plant Variety Database; GENIE database)
- 5. The UPOV website
- 6. Role of UPOV Technical Working Parties (TWPs) and BMT
- 7. Agenda for the TWF Session
- 8. Feedback from participants