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# INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS

GENEVA

## TECHNICAL WORKING PARTY FOR VEGETABLES

### Preparatory Workshop for the Forty-Fifth Session Monterey, United States of America July 24, 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) States of expression, notes and DUS
    - (ii) Method of observation (V/M; G/S)
    - (iii) Asterisked, grouping and TQ characteristics
    - (iv) Example varieties
  - (c) The process of developing UPOV Test Guidelines
4. Role of UPOV Technical Working Parties (TWPs)
5. Role of the BMT
6. Agenda for the TWV Session
7. UPOV databases (UPOV-ROM Plant Variety Database; GENIE database)
8. The UPOV website
9. Feedback from participants

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