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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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1. Introduction to UPOV and the role of UPOV Technical Working Parties (TWPs)
2. Overview of the General Introduction (document TG/1/3 and TGP documents)
* Characteristics as the Basis for DUS Examination and Selection of Characteristics.
1. Guidance on drafting Test Guidelines (document TGP/7)
2. Subject of the Test Guidelines, Material Required and Method of Examination;
3. Method of Observation (MS, MG, VS, VG);
4. Types of Expression (QL, PQ, QN), notes and distinctness;
5. Shape and Color Characteristics;
6. Example Varieties;
7. The process for developing UPOV Test Guidelines, including: TG Template; Additional Standard Wording; and Guidance Notes;
8. Agenda for the TWP Session
9. Feedback from participants

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