

## INFORMATION SHEET

### Plant Variety Protection Course

The Plant Variety Protection Course is organised by Naktuinbouw in close co-operation with Centre for Development Innovation, Wageningen UR. The course aims at facilitating the introduction and practical implementation of Plant Breeders' Rights (Plant Variety Protection) in accordance with the UPOV Convention, in countries where legislation on this matter is being developed, has recently been passed, or who are considering to develop a system. This will be achieved through presentations, discussions and practical training, and through visits to key organisations active in the operation of a plant variety protection system.

The course focuses on systems thinking, participation and learning, in both content and facilitation. Participants will not only be equipped with knowledge and skills, but they will also return home with practical tools, action plans and insights on their own role and confident in their ability to make things work.

This course is a great opportunity for participants to share ideas and experiences and to build networks with colleagues from all over the world working in the field of plant variety protection.

### Nuffic Scholarships

A limited number of scholarships are available from Nuffic, the Netherlands organisation for international cooperation in higher education. For residents of certain countries, Nuffic can offer NFP scholarships via the Netherlands Fellowship Programme (NFP) for the PVP Course. Nuffic also offers a StuNed scholarship especially for residents of Indonesia or a MENA scholarship for residents of Algeria, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, the Syrian Arab Republic and Tunisia. If you want to apply for a scholarship you must meet a number of criteria. Please visit the website of Nuffic for more information about the [NFP/KOP scholarships](#), the [StuNed scholarships](#) or the [MENA scholarships](#).

### Apply

For a NFP, MENA or StuNed scholarship apply directly at [Centre for Development Innovation](#), Wageningen UR. You will receive a confirmation and more information within a week. Early application is recommended as some procedures to finalize subscription (f.e. funding, visa) can take some time. After that, applications for a scholarships must be submitted by registering in Atlas, the application system of Nuffic. In the received admission letter you will find a weblink for Atlas. As the application takes time and requires several documents, we recommend that you start it as soon as possible.

- [NFP Fellowships](#): Albania, Armenia, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cuba, Djibouti, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Georgia, India, Jordan, Lebanon, , Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Senegal, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Surinam, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Zimbabwe
- [MENA scholarship](#): Algeria, Egypt, Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Syrian Arab Republic and Tunisia.
- [StuNed Scholarships](#): Indonesia.

### Application deadlines

- The NFP, MENA and StuNed Scholarships application deadline is **18 October 2017**.
- **7 May 2018** is the admission deadline for application directly to Centre for Development Innovation, Wageningen UR with funding other than Nuffic Scholarships. Early application is recommended as some procedures to finalise subscription (f.e. funding, visa) can take some time.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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