

**Working Group on Biochemical and Molecular Techniques  
and DNA-Profiling in Particular**
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**DRAFT AGENDA**

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1. Opening of the session<sup>1</sup>
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Reports on developments in UPOV concerning biochemical and molecular techniques (document to be prepared by the Office of the Union)<sup>2</sup>
4. Short presentations on new developments in biochemical and molecular techniques by DUS experts, biochemical and molecular specialists, plant breeders and relevant international organizations (oral reports by participants)
5. Report of work on molecular techniques in relation to DUS examination (papers invited)
6. Cooperation between international organizations (document to be prepared by the Office of the Union)
7. Variety description databases including databases containing molecular data (papers invited)
8. Methods for analysis of molecular data, management of databases and exchange of data and material (papers invited)<sup>2</sup>
9. The use of molecular techniques in examining essential derivation<sup>3</sup> (papers invited)
10. The use of molecular techniques in variety identification<sup>3</sup> (papers invited)
11. Confidentiality, ownership and access to molecular data<sup>3</sup> (papers invited)
12. Review of document UPOV/INF/17 "Guidelines for DNA-Profiling: Molecular Marker Selection and Database Construction" (documents to be prepared by the Office of the Union)
13. Session to facilitate cooperation (document to be prepared by the Office of the Union)
14. Organization of work of the TWC and the BMT (document to be prepared by the Office of the Union)
15. Date and place of next session
16. Future program
17. Report of the session (if time permits)
18. Closing of the session

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<sup>1</sup> To be held in conjunction with the closing of the Thirty-Eighth session of the Technical Working Party on Automation and Computer Programs, on Wednesday, September 23, 2020.

<sup>2</sup> To be discussed on Wednesday, September 23, 2020.

<sup>3</sup> Breeder's Day: September 24, 2020.