Council

Fifty-Fifth Ordinary Session Geneva, October 29, 2021 Original: English Date: May 31, 2021

DRAFT AGENDA

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- 1. Opening of the session
- 2. Adoption of the agenda
- 3. Outcome of the consideration of documents by correspondence (document C/55/12)
- 4. Extension of the appointment of the Vice Secretary-General and procedure for the appointment of a new Vice Secretary-General (document C/55/10)**
- 5. Report by the Vice Secretary-General on developments in UPOV (document C/55/INF/2)
- 6. Examination of the conformity of the legislation or proposed legislation of any State or organization having submitted a request under Article 34(3) of the 1991 Act of the UPOV Convention
- 7. Report by the President on the work of the ninety-eighth session of the Consultative Committee; adoption of recommendations, if any, prepared by that Committee (document C/55/13)
- 8. Adoption of documents (documents C/55/3^{*} and C/55/11^{**})
 - (a) Information documents:

UPOV/INF/6	Guidance for the preparation of laws based on the 1991 Act of the UPOV Convention (Revision) (Annex to document C/55/3) <mark>*</mark>
UPOV/INF/16	Exchangeable Software (Revision) (document UPOV/INF/16/10 Draft 1) <mark>*</mark>
UPOV/INF/17	Guidelines for DNA-Profiling: Molecular Marker Selection and Database Construction ("BMT Guidelines") (Revision) (document UPOV/INF/17/2 Draft 6) <mark>*</mark>
UPOV/INF/22	Software and Equipment Used by Members of the Union (Revision) (document UPOV/INF/22/8 Draft 1) <mark>*</mark>
UPOV/INF/23	UPOV Code System (document UPOV/INF/23/1 Draft 3) <mark>*</mark>
UPOV/INF-EXN	List of UPOV/INF-EXN Documents and Latest Issue Dates (Revision) (document UPOV/INF-EXN/15 Draft 1) <mark>*</mark>

The session will be held by electronic means on Friday, October 29, 2021, from 12:00 to 16:30 (Geneva time) with a break between 14:30 and 16:00 to prepare the report of the session.

Documents marked with one asterisk (*) are to be considered by correspondence in accordance with the procedure approved by the Council on May 12, 2021 (see UPOV Circular E-21/063).

Documents marked with two asterisks (**) are to be considered by correspondence in accordance with the specific procedure agreed by the relevant UPOV body.

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(b) Explanatory Notes:

UPOV/EXN/DEN Explanatory Notes on Variety Denominations under the UPOV Convention (documents C/55/11^{**} and UPOV/EXN/DEN/1 Draft 6^{**})

- (c) TGP documents:
 - TGP/5 Experience and Cooperation in DUS Testing

Section 2: UPOV Model Form for the Application for Plant Breeders' Rights (Revision) (document TGP/5: Section 2/4 Draft 1)^{*}

- TGP/0 List of TGP documents and latest issue dates (Revision) (document TGP/0/13 Draft 1)*
- 9. Financial statements for 2020 (document C/55/5)**
- 10. Performance Report for 2020 (document C/55/2)
- 11. Report of the External Auditor (document C/55/6)
- 12. Arrears in contributions as of September 30, 2021 (document C/55/9)
- 13. Draft Program and Budget for the 2022-2023 Biennium (document C/55/4)**
- 14. Program of meetings:
 - (a) Approval of work programs for the Administrative and Legal Committee, the Technical Committee and the Technical Working Parties (document C/55/7)
 - (b) Calendar of meetings in 2022 (document C/55/8)
- 15. Matters for information¹:
 - (a) Report on activities during the first nine months of 2021 (document C/55/INF/3)
 - (b) Situation in the legislative, administrative and technical fields:
 - (i) Reports by representatives of members and observers (document C/55/INF/4)
 - Cooperation in examination (document C/55/INF/5); List of the taxa protected by the members of the Union (document C/55/INF/6); Plant variety protection statistics for the period 2016-2020 (document C/55/INF/7)
- 16. Press release (document C/55/14)
- 17. Adoption of a document reflecting the decisions adopted in the session
- 18. Closing of the session

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¹ Document C/55/INF/1 will contain the list of persons registered in advance for the session. The final list of participants will be published as an annex to the report of the session.