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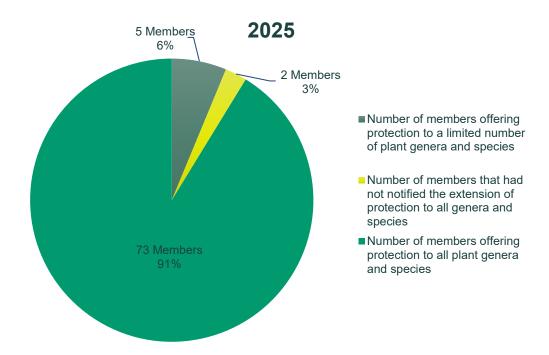
GENERA AND SPECIES COVERED BY THE LEGISLATION OF MEMBERS OF THE UNION

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- This document provides an overview at the date of its publication of the situation concerning the genera and species covered by the legislation governing breeders' rights of the members of the Union.
- The 1978 Act of the UPOV Convention provides in its Article 4(2) that "the member States of the Union 2. undertake to adopt all measures necessary for the progressive application of the provisions of this Convention to the largest possible number of botanical genera and species."
- The 1991 Act of the UPOV Convention provides in its Article 3 that "each Contracting Party which is not bound by the Act of 1961/1972 or the Act of 1978 shall apply the provisions of this Convention, (i) at the date on which it becomes bound by this Convention, to at least 15 plant genera or species and, (ii) at the latest by the expiration of a period of 10 years from the said date, to all plant genera and species."
- The following members of the Union protect all plant genera and species: African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI), Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Czechia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Estonia, European Union, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Mexico, Morocco, Montenegro, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), New Zealand, Nicaragua, North Macedonia, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Serbia, Singapore, Switzerland, Spain, Sweden, Tunisia, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan and Viet Nam — 73 Members of the Union covering 92 States.
- The following members of the Union protect a list of genera and species: Brazil, China, Egypt, South Africa and Trinidad and Tobago. Egypt is due to protect all genera and species at the latest by December 2, 2029.

6. The following members of the Union have not yet notified the extension of protection to all genera and species: Albania and Oman. The extension was applicable for Albania since October 16, 2015, and for Oman since November 23, 2019.



7. Notifications concerning genera and species covered by the legislation governing breeders' rights of each member of the Union are available in UPOV Lex (see https://upovlex.upov.int/en/genera-species). GENIE provides detailed information on the coverage by crop (see https://www.upov.int/genie/en/) or by member of the Union (see https://www.upov.int/genie/authority.xhtml).

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