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REPORT

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# Welcome and opening

 The fifth meeting on electronic applications (EAM/5 meeting), which was held as a virtual meeting, was opened and chaired by Mr. Martin Ekvad, Director of Legal Affairs of UPOV, who welcomed the participants.

 The list of participants is reproduced in Annex I to this report.

# Approval of the agenda

 The meeting adopted the draft agenda as proposed in document UPOV/EAM/5/1.

# Developments concerning UPOV e-PVP

 The meeting considered document UPOV/EAM/5/2 “Development concerning UPOV e-PVP” and received a presentation by the Office of the Union on:

* The current and future use of UPOV e-PVP.
* Developments concerning UPOV PRISMA since the fourth Meeting on Electronic Applications (“EAM/4 meeting”).
* Developments concerning UPOV e-PVP Admin module since the fourth Meeting on Electronic Applications (“EAM/4 meeting”).
* Developments concerning UPOV e-PVP DUS Exchange module since the fourth Meeting on Electronic Applications (“EAM/4 meeting”).

 A copy of the presentation is reproduced in Annex II to this document.

## USE OF UPOV E-PVP

 The EAM noted the information on the use of UPOV e-PVP Admin module, UPOV e-PVP DUS Exchange module and UPOV PRISMA as of February 28,2025, as reported in Annex II of this report.

## UPOV PRISMA

### Launch of Version 2.10- Phase 2 (November 2024)

 The EAM noted that the second part of UPOV PRISMA Version 2.10 was deployed on November 18, 2024, with the following updates:

* Addition of 9 new crops for China
* Bulk invoice

 The EAM noted the ongoing work with Japan and Armenia as follows:

**Japan**

* Addition of 144 crops using national technical questionnaires.
	+ Testing the machine-to-machine communication between UPOV PRISMA and VIPS (the national Japanese system).

**Armenia**

* Implementation of Armenian as a navigation language.
	+ Armenia is interested to use UPOV PRISMA for PBR and NLI.
	+ Pilot crops: Pepper, Tomato, Rose.

### Launch of Version 3.0 (December 2025)

 The EAM noted that UPOV PRISMA Version 3.0 will be deployed in 2025, with the following updates:

* Move to the cloud
* New user interfaces
* Improvement of user management
* Improvement of bulk upload
* Accessibility of ??
* Morocco: 1 new crop (tomato rootstocks)
* Serbia: 1 new crop (sunflower)
* Türkiye: national listing

### Other developments

#### Improvement of user-friendliness of UPOV PRISMA

 The EAM noted that the results of the user management workshops held on December 4 and 7, 2023, are being implemented and will be evaluated in June 2025. The new version will simplify user roles in Applicant and Agent, providing flexibility to assign permissions to either of these roles.

 The EAM noted that the participating authorities have been requested to provide information about their national fees and whether those fees are subsidized.

 The EAM noted that during UPOV PRISMA Task Force meeting held on November 19, 2024, the Office of the Union gave an update on the developments concerning UPOV PRISMA.

#### Promotion and training

 The EAM noted that webinars on how to make applications using UPOV PRISMA were cohosted by UPOV and members. Participation was open to the public.

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| Webinars | Participants | Date |
| How to make applications to the United States of America | 56 | November 25, 2024 |
| How to make applications to Türkiye | 102 | November 27, 2024 |
| How to make applications to Australia and New Zealand | 52 | February 17, 2025 |

 The EAM noted that in February 2025, the Office of the Union requested all the participating authorities to review the current PVP Office Procedure. 20 authorities have proposed to update their PVP Office Procedure.

#### Form synchronization

 The EAM noted the importance of maintaining up-to-date synchronization between the PVP Offices and their most recent forms. The participating authorities are invited to inform UPOV PRISMA team of changes in application forms or national technical questionnaires promptly. Moreover, PVP Offices are encouraged to verify at least annually, with UPOV PRISMA focal points, that the mentioned forms used in UPOV PRISMA are up to date.

 The EAM noted that the following forms have been updated, implemented and the UPOV PRISMA users have been notified:

* United Kingdom - Application Form in December 2025
* CPVO - Application Form in January 2025

 The EAM noted that the CPVO and UPOV are discussing the timelines in relation to the completion of synchronization projects, considering the available resources.

 The EAM noted that fruitful discussions on the alignment of questions in forms were conducted with representatives from Morocco and China.

 The EAM noted the presentation of ISF on “Harmonization of PVP application through UPOV PRISMA”, including Purdy’s notation and API, a copy of which is reproduced in Annex II to this document.

 The EAM noted the invitation from ISF to UPOV PRISMA participating members, to inform users on UPOV PRISMA and add a link from their websites to UPOV PRISMA until the next EAM in October 2025.

## UPOV e-PVP Administration Module

### Developments since EAM/4

 The EAM noted that as of September 30, 2024, four application data were transferred to the Admin Module in one member using UPOV PRISMA, from 3 companies for 4 different crops.

 The EAM noted that on August 23, 2024, the United Kingdom signed the terms of use. The United Kingdom will be using UPOV e-PVP Customized Admin module in 2025.

 The EAM noted the presentation of the United Kingdom on UPOV e-PVP Project: Customisation for the United Kingdom, a copy of which is reproduced in Annex II to this document.

 The EAM noted that following the approval of the trial period for eligible authorities that are not yet UPOV members, the Office of the Union received a request from the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) to begin using the Admin module, as well as UPOV PRISMA, as mandatory.

### Future developments

 The EAM noted that in 2025, Viet Nam will migrate all their data to UPOV e-PVP Admin Module.

 The EAM noted that in 2025, the United Kingdom will migrate all their data to UPOV e-PVP Admin module in April 2025 and will start using the existing and customized functionalities.

## DUS Exchange Module

### UPOV e-PVP DUS Report Exchange Module Features

### Developments since EAM/4

 The EAM noted that 7 DUS reports have been exchanged between Netherlands (Kingdom of) and Viet Nam since September 30, 2024.

 The EAM noted that since EAM/4, nine more UPOV members signed up to use the DUS Report Exchange Module, increasing the number of members to 13:

* Brazil
* Canada
* European Union
* Georgia
* Ghana
* Japan
* Morocco
* Netherlands (Kingdom of the)
* New Zealand
* Türkiye
* United Kingdom
* United States of America
* Viet Nam
* United States of America.

 The EAM noted that the actual use of the DUS Report Exchange Module is expected to increase when a new version is deployed in April 2025.

### Future developments

 The EAM noted that customization is needed for European Union and the United Kingdom.

# FINANCING UPOV E-PVP

 The EAM noted the current funding sources and the proposed strategy to sustain the support of the standard module.

# Date of next meeting

 The next meeting of the EAM was agreed to be held as a hybrid meeting on Tuesday October 21, 2025.

[Annex I follows]

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ANNEXE I / ANNEX I / ANEXO I

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