

**Technical Committee****TC/55/1****Fifty-Fifth Session  
Geneva, October 28 and 29, 2019****Original:** English  
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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Report by the Vice Secretary-General on developments in UPOV (document TC/55/12)
4. Progress reports on the work of the Technical Working Parties, including the Working Group on Biochemical and Molecular Techniques, and DNA-Profiling in Particular (BMT) (documents BMT/18/[xx], TWA/48/[xx], TWC/37/[xx], TWF/49/12, TWF/50/[xx], TWO/51/12, TWV/53/[xx] and oral reports by the Chairpersons)
5. Matters arising from the Technical Working Parties (document TC/55/3)
6. TGP documents (document TC/55/4)  
*Revision of TGP documents*  
TGP/7: Development of Test Guidelines (document TGP/7/7 Draft 1)  
Characteristics which only apply to certain varieties (document TC/55/13)  
TGP/8: Trial Design and Techniques Used in the Examination of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability (document TGP/8/4 Draft 1)  
Data Processing for the Assessment of Distinctness and for Producing Variety Descriptions (document TC/55/14)  
TGP/10: Examining Uniformity (document TGP/10/2 Draft 1)  
TGP/14: Glossary of Terms Used in UPOV Documents (document TGP/14/4 Draft 1)  
Color names for the RHS Colour Chart (document TC/55/15)  
TGP/15: Guidance on the Use of Biochemical and Molecular Markers in the Examination of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability (DUS) (document TGP/15/2 Draft 2)  
New example: Characteristic-specific marker with incomplete information on state of expression (document TC/55/16)
7. UPOV information databases (document TC/55/5)

8. Exchange and use of software and equipment (document TC/55/6)
  - UPOV/INF/16 Exchangeable Software (Revision)  
(document UPOV/INF/16/9 Draft 1)
  - UPOV/INF/22 Software and Equipment Used by Members of the Union (Revision)  
(document UPOV/INF/22/6 Draft 1)
9. Molecular techniques (document TC/55/7)
10. Variety denominations (document TC/55/8)
11. Preparatory workshops (document TC/55/9)
12. International cooperation in examination (document TC/55/10)
13. Matters concerning variety descriptions (document TC/55/11)
14. Discussion on minimum distance between varieties (presentations invited)
15. Test Guidelines (documents TC/55/2)
16. Matters for information\*:
  - (a) List of genera and species for which authorities have practical experience in the examination of distinctness, uniformity and stability (document TC/55/INF/4)
  - (b) UPOV information databases (document TC/55/INF/2)
  - (c) Variety description databases (document TC/55/INF/3)
  - (d) UPOV PRISMA (document TC/55/INF/5)
  - (e) Molecular techniques (document TC/55/INF/6)
  - (f) Variety denominations (document TC/55/INF/7)
  - (g) International cooperation in examination (document TC/55/INF/8)
  - (h) Differences in notes for the assessment of distinctness (document TC/55/INF/9)
17. Program for the fifty-sixth session
18. Adoption of the report (if time permits)
19. Closing of the session

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\* Document TC/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.