

**Technical Committee**

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**REVISED DRAFT AGENDA**

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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/INF/8)
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/18/21, TWA/48/9, TWC/37/12, TWF/49/12, TWF/50/13, TWO/51/12, TWV/53/14 Rev. and oral reports by the Chairpersons)
5. Matters arising from the Technical Working Parties (documents TC/55/3 and TC/55/3 Add.)
6. TGP documents (documents TC/55/4 and TC/55/4 Add.)

*Revision of TGP documents*

TGP/7: Development of Test Guidelines (document TGP/7/7 Draft 1 Rev.)

Characteristics which only apply to certain varieties (documents TC/55/12 and TC/55/12 Add.)

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 (documents TC/55/13 and TC/55/13 Add.)

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/55/14)

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 (documents TC/55/15, TC/55/15 Add. and TC/55/15 Add.2)

7. UPOV information databases (documents TC/55/5 and TC/55/5 Add.)

8. Exchange and use of software and equipment (document TC/55/6)
  - UPOV/INF/22 Software and Equipment Used by Members of the Union (Revision)  
(document UPOV/INF/22/6 Draft 1)
9. Molecular techniques (documents TC/55/7, TC/55/7 Add. and TC/55/7 Add.2)
10. Variety denominations (documents TC/55/8 and TC/55/8 Add.)
11. Preparatory workshops (document TC/55/9)
12. International cooperation in examination (documents TC/55/10 and TC/55/10 Add.)
13. Matters concerning variety descriptions (document TC/55/11)
14. Increasing participation of new members of the Union in the work of the TC and TWPs  
(document TC/55/24)
15. Discussion on:
  - (a) Minimum distance between varieties
  - (b) Role of DUS characteristics in enforcement of plant breeders' rights
16. Test Guidelines (documents TC/55/2, TC/55/16, TC/55/17, TC/55/18, TC/55/19, TC/55/20, TC/55/21,  
TC/55/22 and TC/55/23)
17. 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) Differences in notes for the assessment of distinctness (document TC/55/INF/9)
18. Program for the fifty-sixth session
19. Adoption of the report (if time permits)
20. 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.