Fifty-Ninth Session Geneva, October 23 and 24, 2023 Original: English Date: October 18, 2023

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 SESSIONS/2023/1)

Matters for consideration:

- 4. Progress reports on the work of the Technical Working Parties (documents TC/59/8, TWA/52/11, TWF/54/13, TWO/55/11, TWV/57/26)
- 5. Matters arising from the Technical Working Parties (document TC/59/3)
- 6. Development of guidance and documents proposed for adoption by the Council (document SESSIONS/2023/2)
 - (a) Information documents:

UPOV/INF/16	Exchangeable Software (Revision) (document UPOV/INF/16/12 Draft 1)
UPOV/INF/22	Software and Equipment Used by Members of the Union (Revision) (document UPOV/INF/22/10 Draft 1)
UPOV/INF/23	UPOV Code System (Revision) (document UPOV/INF/23/2 Draft 1)
UPOV/INF-EXN	List of UPOV/INF-EXN Documents and Latest Issue Dates (Revision) (document UPOV/INF-EXN/17 Draft 1)

(b) Explanatory Notes:

UPOV/EXN/DEN	Explanatory Notes on Variety Denominations under the UPOV Convention
	(Revision) (Annex I to document SESSIONS/2023/2)

(c) TGP documents:

TGP/7 Development of Test Guidelines (Revision)

- Converting standard Test Guidelines wording into optional wording (Annex II to document SESSIONS/2023/2)
- Disease resistance characteristics: addition of state of expression and placement of non-asterisked disease resistance characteristics in Section 5 of the Technical Questionnaire (Annex II to document SESSIONS/2023/2)
- Example varieties for asterisked quantitative characteristics when illustrations are provided (Annex III to document SESSIONS/2023/2)

The session will take place at the headquarters of UPOV (34, chemin des Colombettes, Geneva, Switzerland) on Monday, October 23, 2023, and Tuesday, October 24, 2023, and will open at 9.30 a.m.

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- TGP/12 Guidance on Certain Physiological Characteristics (Revision)
 - Example disease resistance characteristic: word "highly" in only one state of expression (Annex IV to document SESSIONS/2023/2)
- TGP/14 Glossary of Terms Used in UPOV Documents (Revision) (document SESSIONS/2023/2)

TGP/0 List of TGP documents and latest issue dates (Revision) (document TGP/0/15 Draft 1)

- 7. UPOV information databases (document SESSIONS/2023/3)
- 8. Measures to enhance cooperation in examination (document SESSIONS/2023/4)
- 9. Increasing participation of new members of the Union in work of the TC and restructuring the work of the TWPs (document TC/59/5)
- 10. Preparatory workshops (document TC/59/6)
- 11. Molecular techniques (document SESSIONS/2023/5)
 - Discussion on molecular techniques in DUS examination (presentations by members)
- 12. Matters for information:1

(a) List of genera and species for which authorities have practical experience in the examination of distinctness, uniformity and stability (document TC/59/4)

- (b) Meetings on Electronic Applications (EAM) (document SESSIONS/2023/6)
- (c) Variety description databases (document TC/59/7)
- (d) Web-based TG template (document TC/59/5)
- 13. Test Guidelines (documents TC/59/2, TC/59/9 to TC/59/27)
- 14. Program for the sixtieth session
- 15. Adoption of the report (if time permits)
- 16. Closing of the session

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¹ Document TC/59/INF/1 will contain the list of persons registered in advance for the session. The final list of persons who attended the session will be published as an annex to the adopted report of the session.