

Technical Committee**TC/60/1****Sixtieth Session
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DRAFT AGENDA*prepared by the Office of the Union**Disclaimer: this document does not represent UPOV policies or guidance*

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Report by the Vice Secretary-General on developments in UPOV (document SESSIONS/2024/1)

Matters for consideration:

4. Progress reports on the work of the Technical Working Parties (documents TC/60/5, TWA/53/9, TWF/55/9, TWM/2/21, TWO/56/9, TWV/58/11)
5. Matters arising from the Technical Working Parties (document TC/60/3)
6. Development of guidance and documents proposed for adoption by the Council (document SESSIONS/2024/2)
 - (a) Information documents:

UPOV/INF/16	Exchangeable Software (Revision) (document UPOV/INF/16/13 Draft 1)
UPOV/INF/22	Software and Equipment Used by Members of the Union (Revision) (document UPOV/INF/22/11 Draft 1)
UPOV/INF-EXN	List of UPOV/INF-EXN Documents and Latest Issue Dates (Revision) (document UPOV/INF-EXN/18 Draft 1)
 - (b) Explanatory Notes:

UPOV/EXN/DEN	Explanatory Notes on Variety Denominations under the UPOV Convention (Revision) (document SESSIONS/2024/2) <ul style="list-style-type: none">– <i>New variety denomination classes for Prunus and situations when a denomination should be compared with other classes within a genus</i>
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 - (c) TGP documents:

TGP/5	Experience and Cooperation in DUS Testing, Section 6 “UPOV Report on Technical Examination and UPOV Variety Description” (Revision) (document SESSIONS/2024/2) <ul style="list-style-type: none">– <i>Subsection “UPOV Variety Description”, item 16 “Similar varieties and differences from these varieties”</i>– <i>Subsection “UPOV Variety Description”, item 17 “Additional information”</i>
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- TGP/7 Development of Test Guidelines (Revision) (document SESSIONS/2024/2)
- *Additional Standard Wording (ASW) 3 “Explanation of the growing cycle”*
 - *Additional Standard Wording (ASW) 7(b) “Number of plants / parts of plants to be examined”*
 - *Guidance Note (GN) 28 “Example Varieties” – Example varieties for asterisked quantitative characteristics when illustrations are provided*
- TGP/12 Guidance on Certain Physiological Characteristics (Revision)
(document SESSIONS/2024/2)
- *Equivalence table for states of expression in quantitative disease resistance characteristics in Test Guidelines*
- TGP/0 List of TGP documents and latest issue dates (Revision) (document TGP/0/16 Draft 1)
- (d) Access to plant material for the purpose of management of variety collections and DUS examination
7. Measures to enhance cooperation in examination (document SESSIONS/2024/3)
 8. Measures to improve support provided for DUS examination (document TC/60/6)
 9. Molecular techniques (document SESSIONS/2024/6)
 10. UPOV information databases (document SESSIONS/2024/5)
 11. TWP workshops and webinars (document TC/60/7)
 12. Discussion on: Disease resistance characteristics in DUS examination (presentations by members)
 13. 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/60/4)
 - (b) Meetings on Electronic Applications (EAM) (document SESSIONS/2024/4)
 14. Test Guidelines (documents TC/60/2, TC/60/[xx])
 15. Program for the sixty-first session
 16. Adoption of the report (if time permits)
 17. Closing of the session

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¹ Document TC/60/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.