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REVISED DRAFT AGENDA

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- 1. Opening of the Session
- 2. Adoption of the agenda
- 3. Short reports on developments in plant variety protection
 - (a) Reports from members and observers (oral reports by participants) (document TWC/29/20)
 - (b) Reports on developments within UPOV (oral report by the Office of the Union)
- 4. Molecular techniques (document TWC/29/2)
- 5. TGP documents (document TWC/29/3)

Revision of TGP documents

TGP/7: Development of Test Guidelines

(i) Summary of revisions proposed for document TGP/7 "Development of Test Guidelines" (document TWC/29/11)

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- (ii) Providing photographs with the Technical Questionnaire (document TWC/29/12)
- (iii) Quantity of plant material required (document TWC/29/17)
- (iv) Example varieties (document TWC/29/18)

TGP/8: Trial Design and Techniques Used in the Examination of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability (document TWC/29/14)

TGP/12: Guidance on Certain Physiological Characteristics (document TWC/29/15)

TGP/14: Glossary of Terms Used in UPOV Documents (document TWC/29/16)

- 6. Information and databases
 - (a) UPOV information databases (document TWC/29/5)
 - (b) Variety description databases (documents TWC/29/6, TWC/29/13 and TWC/29/24)
 - (c) Exchangeable software (document TWC/29/7 and TWC/29/30)
 - (d) Electronic application systems (document TWC/29/8)
- 7. Variety denominations (document TWC/29/4)
- 8. Image analysis (documents TWC/29/19, TWC/29/21, TWC/29/27 and TWC/29/29)
- 9. Data loggers (document TWC/29/28)
- 10. Assessing uniformity by off-types on the basis of more than one sample or sub-samples (document TWC/29/9)
- 11. Development of COY
 - (a) COYU possible proposals for improvements to COYU (documents TWC/29/10 and TWC/29/22)
 - (b) A comparison of COYU and a method based on Bennett's Test for coefficients of variation (document TWC/29/23)
 - (c) A rationale for excluding varieties of common knowledge from the second growing cycle when COYD is used (document TWC/29/26)
 - (d) Use of COYD when varieties are grouped (document TWC/29/25)
- 12. Statistical methods for visually observed characteristics (document TWC/29/14, Annex X)

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- 13. Database for researching TWC documents (CD to be prepared by Germany)
- 14. Date and place of the next session
- 15. Future program

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