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1. Introduction to UPOV and the role of UPOV Technical Working Parties (TWPs)

2. Overview of DUS trials and Test Guidelines

(a) Method of observation and type of record (MS, MG, VS, VG)

(b) Types of expression of characteristics (QL, PQ and QN) and types of scales of data

3. Methods used for DUS data analysis and development of variety descriptions

(a) Methods of management used in the DUS examination for transformation of observations and measurements into notes for distinctness and for variety descriptions (presentations by experts from Japan and Republic of Korea)

(b) Method used for DUS trial design and data analysis (presentation by an expert from France and United Kingdom)

4. Image analysis

5. The UPOV website

(a) Databases (UPOV Code, GENIE, PLUTO, Test Guidelines and UPOV Lex)

(b) Other available resources (publications, members, UPOV collection, calendar of meetings)

6. Agenda for the TWC session

7. Feedback from participants

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