

Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees**TWO/54/2****Fifty-Fourth Session****Hanover, Germany, June 13 to 17, 2022****Original:** English**Date:** June 1, 2022

REPORT ON DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN UPOV*Document prepared by the Office of the Union**Disclaimer: this document does not represent UPOV policies or guidance*

The annex to this document contains a copy of a presentation on “Developments in UPOV” for consideration by the fifty-fourth session of the Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees (TWO).

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Developments in UPOV

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June 13, 2022*

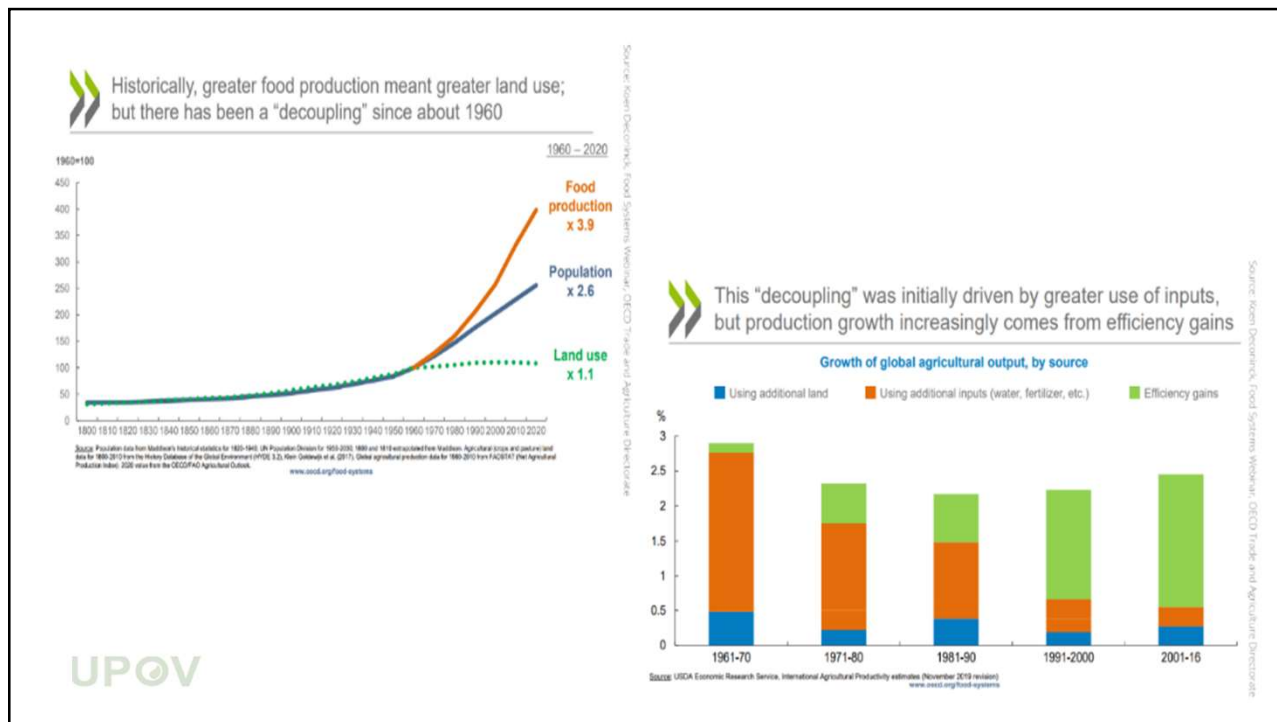
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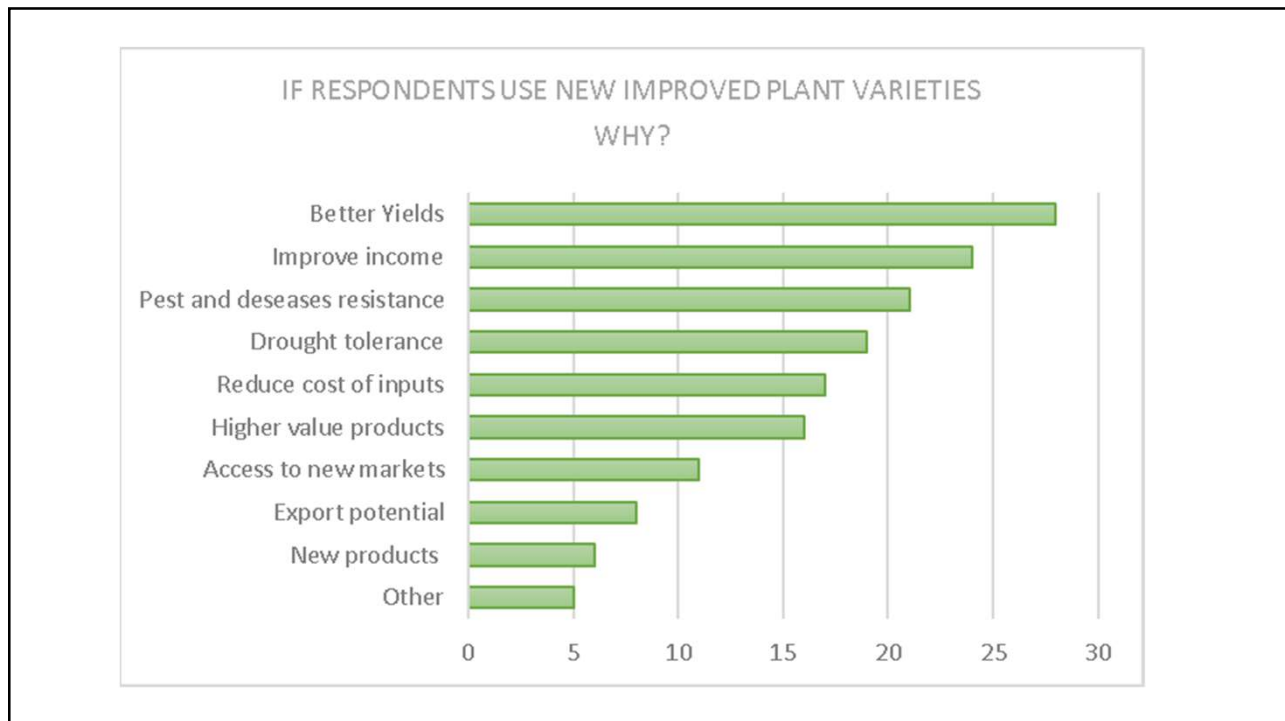
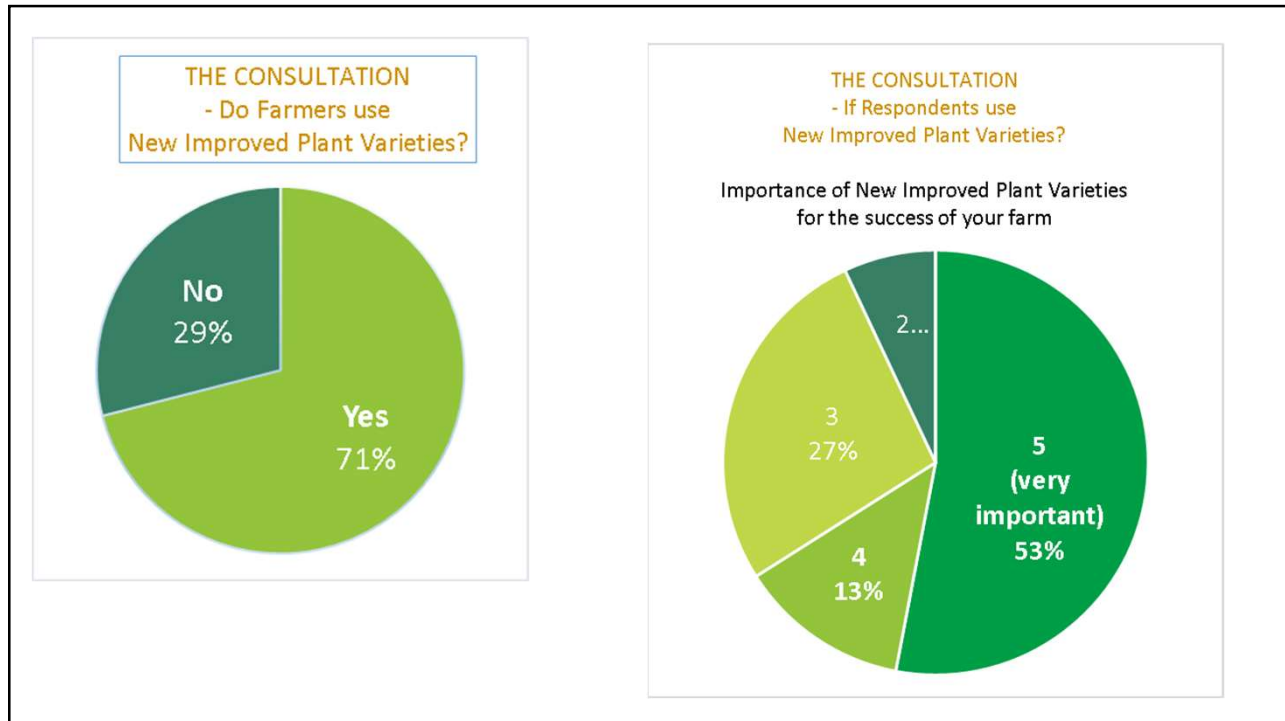


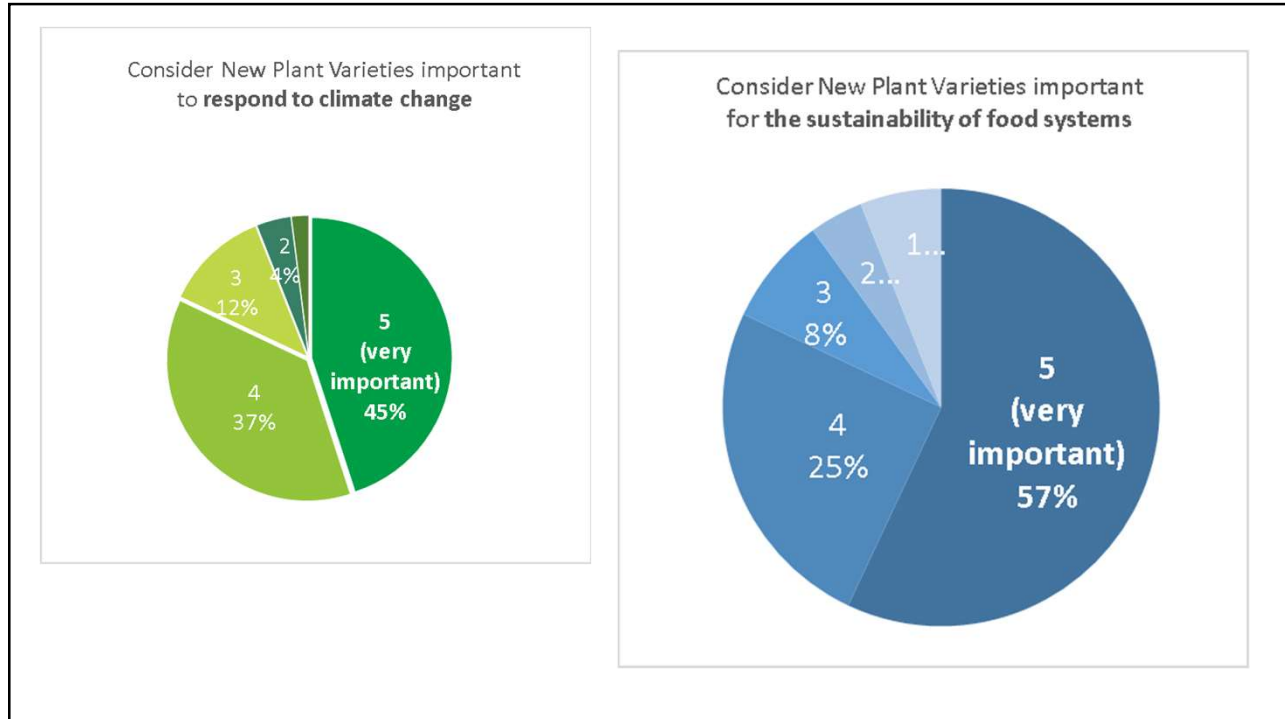
10th Anniversary
WORLD FARMERS' ORGANISATION

FARMERS' NEEDS AND EXPECTATIONS ON NEW IMPROVED PLANT VARIETIES

Highlights from the WFO consultation and technical workshop

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SEMINAR ON STRATEGIES THAT ADDRESS POLICIES INVOLVING PLANT BREEDING AND PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION October 20, 2021

to exchange information and experiences on strategies involving plant breeding and plant variety protection that address broad policy issues

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Seminar on strategies that address policies involving plant breeding and plant variety protection
Geneva, October 20, 2021

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The purpose of the seminar is to exchange information and experiences of members of the Union on strategies involving plant breeding and plant variety protection that address broad policy issues.

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| 12:00 | Welcome and opening remarks M. Daren Tang, Secretary-General, UPOV |
| 12:10 | Program and organizations of the Seminar Ambassador of the Investor, Mr. Peter Anden, Vice Secretary-General, UPOV |
| 12:15 | CANADA The role of plant variety protection in supporting public breeding institutions, and partnerships with producers and industry M. Anthony Parker, Commissioner, Plant Breeders' Rights Office, Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) |
| 12:25 | CHINA Seed Policies Promoting China's Plant Breeding Innovation M. Yehui Gu, Director, Consultant, Development Center of Science and Technology (DCST), Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA) |
| 12:35 | EUROPEAN UNION EU strategies involving plant breeding and plant variety protection – the genetic context (draft for work in progress) M. Pádraig MacDonagha, Team Leader - Plant Reproduction Materials, LRI (EU Plant Health Directorate General for health and food safety (DG SANTE), European Commission |
| 12:45 | Break |

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| 13:00 | JAPAN Japan's Intellectual Property Strategy in the field of PVP M. Toshiaki Maruyama, Chief, Director of Plant Variety Office, Intellectual Property Division, Food Industry Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) |
| 13:10 | KENYA The role of plant variety protection in promoting food security, employment creation and improving farmers' livelihoods M. John Mwangi Mwangi, Head, Seed Certification and Plant Variety Protection, Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service (KEPHIS) |
| 13:20 | MEXICO Public policies to promote innovation in plant varieties M. Ledigheis Contreras Talero, Head, National Service for Seed Inspection and Certification (NSCI), Government of Agriculture and Rural Development (AGRICULTURA) |
| 13:30 | NORWAY The importance of plant breeding for food security, research policy development in Norway M. Sveinbjørn Skjerve, Director, Department of Plant and Natural Resource Policy, Ministry of Agriculture and Food |
| 13:40 | Break |
| 14:00 | PERU Strategies for promoting Peru's Plant Breeding Protection M. Manuel Castro Calles, Director, Directorate of Patents and New Technologies, Institute for the Defense of Competition and Protection of Intellectual Property (INDECOPI) |
| 14:10 | SWEDEN The need to sustain "small" breeders M. Magnus Persson, Deputy Head, Plant and Control Department, Swedish Board of Agriculture |
| 14:20 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Initiatives from the 2018 Farm Bill Supporting Farm Production, Conservation, and Plant Variety Protection in the United States M. Jeffrey Haines, Commissioner, Plant Variety Protection Office, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) |
| 14:30 | Questions |
| 14:55 - 15:00 | Closing remarks and Closing M. Marlen Vainar, President of the Council, UPOV |

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UPOV member anniversary posts on social media

The collage features various social media posts from UPOV members. Key posts include:

- Chile:** Celebrating 25 years as a UPOV member, highlighting 75 new varieties of apple, 109 of grape, and 124 of kiwifruit.
- Kenya:** Celebrating 22 years as a UPOV member, noting the role of UPOV in the horticulture industry.
- Dominican Republic:** Celebrating 14 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the introduction of the variety 'Jagosa FL'.
- Germany:** Celebrating 22 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the role of UPOV in the agricultural sector.
- Netherlands:** Celebrating 53 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the role of UPOV in the seed industry.
- Mexico:** Celebrating 24 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the role of UPOV in the seed industry.
- United Kingdom:** Celebrating 53 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the role of UPOV in the seed industry.
- Romania:** Celebrating 20 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the role of UPOV in the agricultural sector.
- Brazil:** Celebrating 22 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the role of UPOV in the agricultural sector.
- Ecuador:** Celebrating 50 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the role of UPOV in the agricultural sector.
- Singapore:** Celebrating 17 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the role of UPOV in the agricultural sector.
- European Union:** Celebrating 16 years as a UPOV member, highlighting the role of UPOV in the agricultural sector.

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Members of UPOV (78) (covering 97 States)

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November 3, 2021

Head of Seed Sector Cooperation and Regional Development
(Africa, Arab Countries)

UPOV Team

*Thanks and farewell
to*
Ben Rivoire



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Vacancy announcement “Technical Officer”

Responsibilities:

- (i) provides guidance on plant variety examination and supports the development of plant variety examination in UPOV;
- (ii) raises awareness of UPOV in Africa and Europe and provides guidance on the implementation of PVP; and
- (iii) promotes UPOV services.

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Vacancy announcement “Technical Officer”

Education (Essential)

First-level university degree in biology, agricultural science or related discipline.

Experience (Essential)

At least six years of professional experience in agriculture or plant science of which at least two have been directly related to plant breeding, plant variety testing or a related discipline.

Application deadline: June 14, 2022



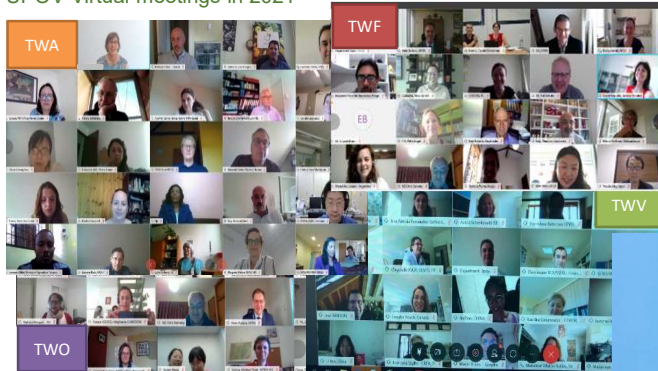
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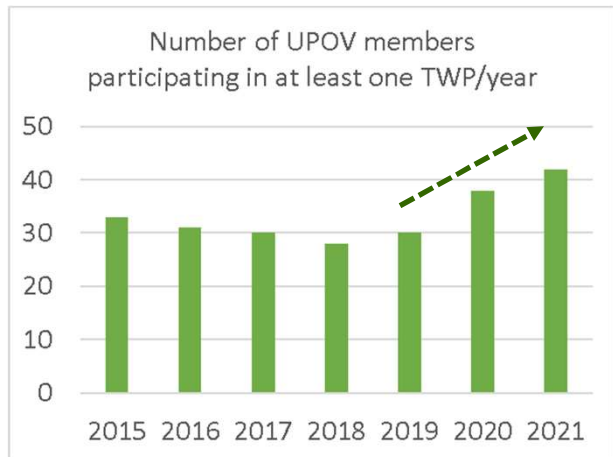
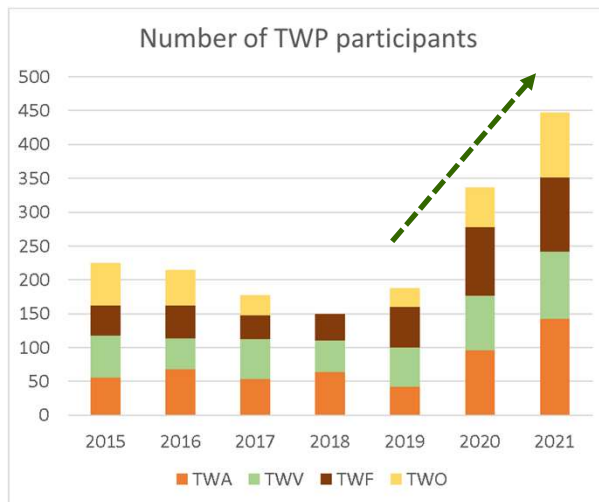
Virtual meetings

UPOV Virtual meetings in 2021



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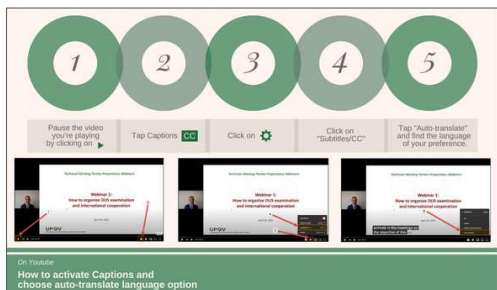


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Webinar (recording/videos)

Technical Working Parties Preparatory Webinars 2021

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Virtual technical visits: videos & presentations



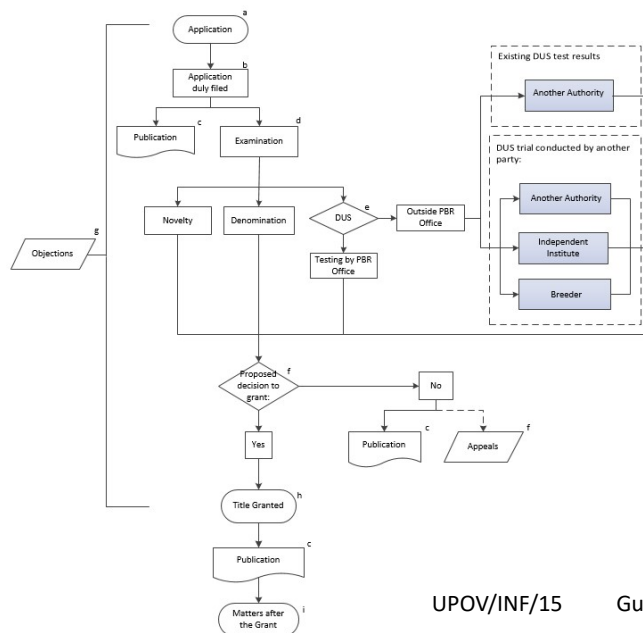
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Basic tasks within the PBR Office



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Guidance for Members of UPOV

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