

Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees
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REVISED DRAFT AGENDA
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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
- Matters for discussion
3. Procedures for DUS examination (document TWP/9/1)
4. Document TGP/5 “Experience and Cooperation in DUS Testing”, Section 6 “UPOV Report on Technical Examination and UPOV Variety Description” (Revision): Additional explanations for “UPOV report on technical examination and UPOV variety description” (document TGP/5, Section 6/5 (draft 1))
5. Document TGP/7 “Development of Test Guidelines” (revision): Situations where illustrations could complement or replace example varieties (document TWP/9/5)
6. New proposal: revision of documents TGP/9 “Assessing Distinctness” and TGP/10 “Assessing Uniformity”: Uniformity assessment of characteristics not listed in test guidelines (document TWO/57/7)
7. Report on court cases dealing with technical matters (document TWO/57/4)
8. Molecular techniques in DUS examination
 - (a) Harnessing molecular data to support DUS testing in ornamentals: a case-study on *Hydrangea* (document TWO/57/5)
 - (b) Guidelines for the validation of characteristic-specific molecular marker protocol (document TWP/9/4)
 - (c) Reports on existing policies on confidentiality of molecular information (document TWP/9/6)
9. Information databases
 - (a) Information on cooperation agreements for DUS examination (document TWP/9/2)
 - (b) The value and reliability of botanical names in ornamentals (document TWO/57/8)
10. Experiences with new types and species (document TWO/57/6 and oral reports invited)
 - (c) Ornamental Apple (*Malus* Mill.)
 - (d) Maple (*Acer* L.)
11. Test Guidelines (document TWP/9/3)
 - (a) Additional characteristics and states of expression (document TWP/9/3)
 - (b) Technical Committee subgroup on Test Guidelines (document TWP/9/3)
 - (c) Methods of propagating the variety (document TWP/9/3)

- (d) Matters to be resolved concerning Test Guidelines put forward for adoption by the Technical Committee: Poinsettia (documents TG/24/7(proj.4) and TWO/57/9)
- (e) Full draft Test Guidelines
 - *Ginkgo (*Ginkgo biloba* L.) (document TG/GINKG_BIL(proj.3))
 - Helleborus (*Helleborus* L.) (document TG/HELLE(proj.1))
 - Lotus (*Nelumbo* Adans.) (document TG/NELUM(proj.3))
 - *Magnolia (*Magnolia* L.) (document TG/MAGNO(proj.6))
 - Pot Azalea (*Rhododendron simsii* Planch.) and Rhododendron (*Rhododendron* L.) (Revision) (document TG/42/7-TG/140/5(proj.1))
 - *Zantedeschia (*Zantedeschia* Spreng.) (Revision) (document TG/177/4(proj.2))
- (f) Partial revisions
 - Carnation (*Dianthus* L.) (document TG/25/9): Addition of new characteristics for description of *D. barbatus* types (document TWO/57/3)

12. Recommendations on draft Test Guidelines
13. Date and place of the next session
14. Future program
15. Adoption of the report of the session (if time permits)

Matters for information

16. Reports from members and observers (document TWO/57/2)
17. Report on developments in UPOV (document TWP/9/1)
18. Closing of the session

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