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adopted by the Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees

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OPENING OF THE SESSION

1. The Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees (TWO) held its fifty-seventh session in Roelofarendsveen, Netherlands (Kingdom of), from March 31 to April 3, 2025. The list of participants is provided in Annex I to this report.
2. The session was opened by Ms. Hilary Papworth (United Kingdom), Chairperson of the TWO, who welcomed the participants.
3. The TWO was welcomed by Mr. Marien Valstar, Senior Policy Officer, Seeds and Plant Propagation Material, DG Agro, Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality, Netherlands (Kingdom of).
4. The TWO received a presentation on Naktuinbouw activities from Mr. Raoul Haegens, Domain Head of the Identity and Variety Testing Department, Naktuinbouw. A copy of the presentation is provided in Annex II to this report.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5. The TWO adopted the agenda as provided in document TWO/57/1 Rev.

PROCEDURES FOR DUS EXAMINATION

6. The TWO considered document TWP/9/1.

Guidance and information materials*TGP Documents*

Document TGP/5 “Experience and Cooperation in DUS Testing”, Section 6 “UPOV Report on Technical Examination and UPOV Variety Description” (Revision)

7. The TWO agreed with the revision of document TGP/5 “Experience and Cooperation in DUS Testing”, Section 6 “UPOV Report on Technical Examination and UPOV Variety Description”, on the basis of [document TGP/5, Section 6 \(draft 1\)](#).
8. The TWO considered how to provide information in the “UPOV Report on Technical Examination” regarding the “Reporting Authority” and agreed that it should normally be the authority that had conducted the technical examination.

9. The TWO agreed to invite the European Union to consider whether to develop proposals to address situations when further information should be provided in the “UPOV Report on Technical Examination”, such as to indicate when the authority providing the report on technical examination was different than the authority that conducted the examination.

10. The TWO considered how to provide information on differences between the candidate and similar varieties when the difference was based on a characteristic that was only available in the “Reporting Authority’s test guidelines” and not in the UPOV Test Guidelines. The TWO recalled the requirements for characteristics to be used in DUS examination, set out in document TG/1 “General Introduction to DUS”, and agreed that it should be indicated when the characteristic in which the candidate differed from the similar variety was only included in the Reporting Authority’s test guidelines.

Document TGP/7: Development of Test Guidelines (Revision): Guidance Note (GN) 28 “Example Varieties” – Example varieties for asterisked quantitative characteristics when illustrations are provided

11. The TWO agreed with the proposal to amend document TGP/7, Guidance Note (GN) 28 “Example Varieties”, as provided in document TWP/9/5 and presented by an expert from Germany.

12. The TWO noted that example varieties would not be needed to clarify the states of expression when these were self-explanatory or could be effectively demonstrated by a diagram or illustration.

13. The TWO thanked the expert from Germany for having developed the proposal to amend document TGP/7, GN 28, in collaboration with TWO experts.

NEW PROPOSAL: REVISION OF DOCUMENTS TGP/9 “ASSESSING DISTINCTNESS” AND TGP/10 “ASSESSING UNIFORMITY”: UNIFORMITY ASSESSMENT OF CHARACTERISTICS NOT LISTED IN TEST GUIDELINES

14. The TWO considered document TWO/57/7 and agreed that it would not be necessary to amend guidance in documents TGP/9 and TGP/10 to clarify the possibility to use additional characteristics for DUS examination in addition to those in the UPOV Test Guidelines. The TWO recalled guidance in document TG/1/3 “General Introduction to DUS Examination”, paragraph 4.2.3, that states:

“[...] The characteristics included in the individual Test Guidelines are not necessarily exhaustive and may be expanded with additional characteristics if that proves to be useful and the characteristics meet the conditions set out above.” [basic requirements that a characteristic should fulfill before it is used for DUS testing]

15. The TWO considered the assessment of additional characteristics not included in the UPOV Test Guidelines, as set out in document TWO/57/7, and whether appropriate for such characteristics to be assessed for uniformity only and not for distinctness. The TWO recalled that the UPOV Convention requires that a variety be examined for compliance with the conditions of distinctness, uniformity and stability and agreed that any additional characteristic would be subject to the same legal basis.

REPORT ON COURT CASES DEALING WITH TECHNICAL MATTERS

16. The TWO received a presentation on “Court Case of General Interest: *Allium cepa* L. ‘SK20’” from an expert from the European Union. The presentation is provided in document TWO/57/4.

17. The TWO considered the proposal in document TWO/57/4 for variety descriptions to reduce the information provided on characteristics in which the candidate was distinct from the similar variety and agreed that information on the most relevant characteristics should be provided in the report on technical examination.

MOLECULAR TECHNIQUES IN DUS EXAMINATION

Harnessing molecular data to support DUS testing in ornamentals: a case-study on Hydrangea

18. The TWO considered document TWO/57/5 and received a presentation from an expert from France on “Harnessing GbS to support DUS testing in ornamentals - A case study on Hydrangea”. The presentation is provided in document TWO/57/5 Add.

19. The TWO noted that a set of 20 SNP markers had been selected to confirm species of *Hydrangea* varieties and another set of 40 SNP had been selected to identify varieties of *H. macrophylla*.

20. The TWO noted the progress reported in identifying markers with high correlation to morphological characteristics, such as flower color and agreed on their usefulness for the reduction of size of trials.

21. The TWO noted the establishment of provisional thresholds for genetic distances to be used in combination with morphological distances for managing variety collections, with potential to reduce by 33% the size of trials.

Guidelines for the validation of characteristic-specific molecular marker protocol

22. The TWO considered [document TWP/9/4](#) and the proposed guidelines for validating assessment methods of characteristic-specific molecular markers for DUS examination, as presented by an expert from the Netherlands (Kingdom of). The TWO noted that the proposed guidelines would be applied to validate molecular markers proposed as alternative methods for the assessment of individual characteristics in Test Guidelines.

23. The TWO discussed, in the context of the development of UPOV Test Guidelines, matters to be considered on the use of molecular markers that might be trade secret (see document TWP/9/4, paragraph 31). The TWO noted that in such cases, the marker would not be described in the UPOV Test Guidelines, and permission would be required from the owner of the marker to be used by UPOV members. The TWO noted that molecular markers were most frequently provided by the breeders and was of the view that access for UPOV members to the markers which might be trade secret would be important for international cooperation and exchange of DUS test reports.

Reports on existing policies on confidentiality of molecular information

24. The TWO noted that UPOV members and observers were invited to report examples of policies on confidentiality and access to molecular data at the TWP sessions in 2025.

25. The TWO received a presentation on “Confidentiality of Molecular Information” from an expert from CropLife International, on behalf of the African Seed Trade Association (AFSTA), Asia and Pacific Seed Association (APSA), International Community of Breeders of Asexually Reproduced Horticultural Plants (CIOPORA), CropLife International, Euroseeds, International Seed Federation (ISF) and Seed Association of the Americas (SAA). The presentation is provided in document TWP/9/6.

26. The TWO agreed on the importance of utilizing DNA-based information for international cooperation in variety testing. The TWO considered how could DNA-based information be shared among UPOV members and noted the offer from breeders’ organizations for the joint development of molecular markers that would not reveal the breeding strategies of individual breeders.

27. The TWO noted existing guidance on confidentiality of molecular information in UPOV documents UPOV/INF/15 “Guidance for members of UPOV” and TGP/5, Section 1 “Model administrative agreement for international cooperation in the testing of varieties”. The TWO noted the proposal from the breeders’ organizations for considering the confidentiality agreement developed by the European Union as example for the future development of a common model.

INFORMATION DATABASES

Information on cooperation agreements for DUS examination

28. The TWO considered document TWP/9/2 and agreed with the proposal to discontinue the section on “Cooperation in DUS Examination” in the GENIE database, as set out in document TWP/9/2, paragraphs 7 to 26.

29. The TWO noted that information on “Practical experience in DUS examination” would continue to be collected and provided in the GENIE database and as a printable document prepared annually to the Technical Committee.

The value and reliability of botanical names in ornamentals

30. The TWO received a presentation on “The value and reliability of botanical names in ornamentals” from an expert from the Netherlands (Kingdom of). The presentation is provided in document TWO/57/8.

31. The TWO noted the report in document TWO/57/8 that unprecise taxonomical information provided by applicants could have administrative consequences for international cooperation and granting breeders rights.

32. The TWO agreed that breeders could have difficulty providing precise taxonomical information for certain ornamental plants, in particular those with complex taxonomy. The TWO agreed that, in such cases, the selection of similar varieties should consider the entire genus to avoid missing varieties for comparison in the growing trial.

33. The TWO considered the proposal in document TWO/57/8 for using group classification in case of ornamental plants with complex taxonomy and agreed that the approach should be considered on a case-by-case basis.

EXPERIENCES WITH NEW TYPES AND SPECIES

Ornamental Apple (*Malus* Mill.)

34. The TWO received a presentation on “Revision of TG/192” from an expert from China, as provided in document TWO/57/6, Annex I.

Maple (*Acer* L.)

35. The TWO received a presentation on “Proposals for new Test guidelines: *Acer* L.” from an expert from China, as provided in document TWO/57/6, Annex II.

TEST GUIDELINES

Measures to improve support for drafters of Test Guidelines

36. The TWO considered document TWP/9/3.

Measures on Test Guidelines (TGs) and online tool for drafting TGs

37. The TWO considered the proposals for discussion on options for improving the Test Guidelines structure, the tool for drafting Test Guidelines and the creation of national test guidelines, as set out in document TWP/9/3, Annex II.

38. The summary report of discussion at the fifty-seventh session of the TWO provided by the leading expert of the TC Sub-group on Test Guidelines, Ms. Margaret Wallace (United Kingdom) is provided in Annex III to this document.

Notification of Additional Characteristics and States of Expression

39. The TWO considered document TWP/9/3 and noted the invitation for UPOV members to notify to the Office of the Union the additional characteristics or states of expression used in individual authorities' test guidelines to retain internationally harmonized variety descriptions, as provided in document TGP/5, Section 10 "Notification of Additional Characteristics".

Technical Questionnaire, section 4.2: "Method of propagating the variety"

40. The TWO considered document TWP/9/3 and the lists with options for information on method of propagating the variety (Annex IV) that would be made available in UPOV PRISMA for the Technical Questionnaires of certain Test Guidelines adopted before document TGP/7 "Development of Test Guidelines" in 2007.

41. The TWO considered the Test Guidelines for ornamental plants and forest trees in document TWP/9/3, Annex IV and agreed the following procedure:

- The TWO experts are invited to provide comments on the information on method of propagating the variety for inclusion in the Technical Questionnaires of the Test Guidelines of ornamental plants and forest trees presented in Annex IV to this report.
- The comments should be submitted to the Office of the Union by May 2, 2025 (email to: upov.mail@upov.int)
- In case comments are received, the lists of options for information on method of propagating the variety would be considered by the TWO, at its fifty-eighth session, to be held in 2026.
- The lists of options for information on method of propagating the variety receiving no comments would be considered as agreed by the TWO and proposed to the Technical Committee for inclusion in the Technical Questionnaires of the respective Test Guidelines.

Matters to be resolved concerning Test Guidelines put forward for adoption by the Technical Committee: Poinsettia

42. The subgroup discussed documents TG/24/7(proj.4) and TWO/57/9, presented by Ms. Laetitia Denecheau (European Union), and agreed the following:

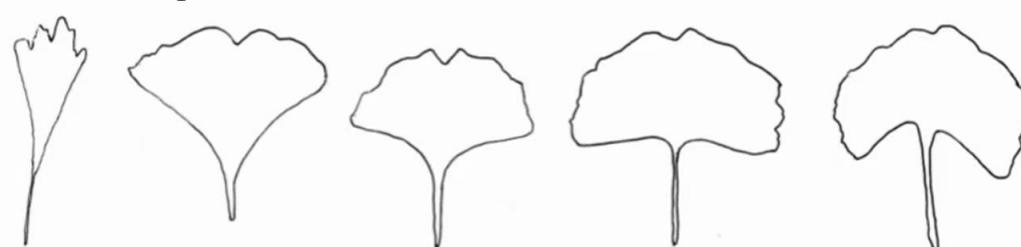
Char., Ad. 27	to have states (1) none or one, (2) two, (3) more than two and to keep current illustrations
Char. 35, 39	to add example varieties already used in the draft to these characteristics <i>Leading Expert: to add the following example varieties:</i> - Characteristic 35 "Bract: distribution of secondary color of <u>upper</u> side" state 1 "at center": NPCW18289 state 3 "at margin": Allegra Marble Improved state 4 "throughout": WEL20390 - Characteristic 39 "Bract: distribution of tertiary color of <u>upper</u> side" to delete (*) state 1 "at center": FREEDOM MARBLE state 3 "at margin": MARBLE PETERSTAR state 4 "throughout": LAZZPOSUGI

Discussion on draft Test Guidelines

Full draft Test Guidelines

*Ginkgo (*Ginkgo biloba* L.)

43. The subgroup discussed document TG/GINKG_BIL(proj.3), presented by Mr. Yongqi Zheng (China), and agreed the following:

3.1	to add ASW 3 (a) "The growing cycle is considered to be the duration of a single growing season, beginning with the dormancy period, followed by bud burst (flowering and/or vegetative), flowering and fruit harvest and concluding when the following dormant period starts."
4.2.2	to be deleted
Char. 1	- to add (*) and to add as grouping characteristic - to add illustration
Char. 2, 3	to be deleted
Char. 4	to delete (a)
Char. 6	to add explanation to read "Observations should be made on developing leaves."
Char. 8	state 3 to read "fan-shaped and funnel-shaped" and to replace current with improved illustration
Char. 9	- to read "Leaf blade: length" - to add (*)
Char. 10	- to read "Leaf blade: width" - to add (*)
Char. 11	to be deleted
Char. 12	to be removed from grouping characteristics, but to keep in TQ 5
Char. 13	- to read "Leaf blade: secondary color" - to add new states "none" and "green" - to add as grouping char. and to TQ 5
Char. 14	- to check whether to read "Leaf blade: pattern of secondary color" - to have states "none", "only narrow stripes", "narrow and broad stripes", "only broad stripes" - to check whether state "marginal" is applicable or should be removed - to add illustration
Char. 16	to have the following states and illustration: <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>1 narrow cuneate 2 medium cuneate 3 broad cuneate 4 truncate 5 cordate</p> </div>
Char. 19	- to read "...: depth of incisions of margin" - state 1 to read "absent or shallow"
Char. 20	to improve illustration to better illustrate the states
Char. 26	to add (*) and add to TQ 5.
Char. 27	to add to TQ 5.
Char. 31	to check whether to add an explanation for ridging
8.1 (a)	to become Ad. 4 and to read "Observations should be made in the dormant period."
Ad. 9	to add "Observations should be made on fan-shaped leaves only."
Ad. 28, 29	- to replace current illustrations with improved ones indicating the base and apex
Ad. 31	to add "A ridge is an extension of the nut along the suture from the top to the bottom."
Ad. 32, 33	to replace photographs by drawings
Ad. 35, 36	to replace "is determined" with "is reached"

TQ 4.2.2 (b)	to read "Budding or grafting (please indicate rootstock)"
TQ 5.	to check whether to add chars. 26 and 27 (used for grouping but are not included in the TQ)

Hellebore (*Helleborus L.*)

44. The subgroup discussed document TG/HELLE(proj.1), presented by Jacqueline Van Renselaar-Hup (Kingdom of the Netherlands), and agreed the following:

Char. 6	to be moved before char. 1
Char. 7	to be deleted
Char. 16	to delete "... of margin"
Char. 19	to delete (c) and add further explanation on time of observation in Ad. 19
Char. 26	- to add example varieties for a higher notes - to check whether to read: "...type: anemone and double: Flower: density" or to have two separate characteristics for anemone and double flower types
Char 32, 33	- to check whether including characteristic on area of over and ground color - to check whether to add illustrations
Char. 38	to replace "macule" by "basal spot"
Char. 42, 45, 47	to check whether order of states of expression should be swapped to have "greenish" before "yellowish" (according to the examples in TGP/14 it is yellowish before greenish)
8.1	to reorder to have explanations in alphabetical order in the table of characteristics
8.1 (a)	to read "...fully grown leaves at the end of flowering period"
8.1 (b)	to be deleted
8.1 (d)	to read "... before bud opening."
8.1 (e)	To read "... when the first 10-30% of the filaments..."
8.1 (h)	to check whether to be improved (see for alternative TGP/14 3.2 a and b (pg 63)) to read "smaller" instead of "smallest"
Ad. 5	to add: few = 5 or less medium = 6 to 8 many = 9 or more
Ad. 11	- to improve illustrations to show individual leaves - to read "Variegation is the appearance of differently colored zones which could be speckled or blotched." - sentence on marbling to read "With marbling the different color is always present along the veins" and to be moved to 8.1 to become an illustration for all marbling characteristics
Ad. 18	To read "Observations should be made in the middle third of the longest flowering stem below the point where the stem starts making lateral branches."
Ad. 23	to read "Observations should be made excluding the veins."
Ad. 24	To replace illustration for state "drooping" and replace the picture of note 4 with the picture of note 5
Ad. 25	- to improve illustration for state 1 - to add explanation on difference between sepals and petals
Ad. 26	states to read as in characteristic 26
Ad. 30	to have illustrations showing the sepals only
Ad. 38	to replace by picture for sepal length and add explanation
Ad. 42, 45, 47	to check whether to add explanation that the characteristic cannot be observed in varieties with high anthocyanin coloration
Ad. 49	to be deleted (color illustration)
TQ 4.2	to add all suitable options on method of propagating the variety for both seed- (cross- and self-pollinated) vegetatively propagated varieties (in vitro)

Lotus (*Nelumbo* Adans.)

45. The subgroup discussed document TG/NELUM(proj.3), presented Mr. Daike Tian (China), and agreed the following:

3.4.1, 3.4.2	to combine both paragraphs to read "Each test should be designed to result in a total of at least 10 plants."
4.1.1	to be deleted
4.1.4	to read: "In the case of either vegetatively propagated or seed-propagated varieties, unless otherwise indicated, for the purposes of distinctness, all observations on single plants should be made on 9 plants or parts taken from each of 9 plants and any other observation made on all plants in the test, disregarding any off-type plants. In the case of observations of parts taken from single plants, the number of parts to be taken from each of the plants should be 1."
4.2.2	to be deleted
Table of characteristics: Color characteristics	- to add indication of explanation "(a)" to all "main color" characteristic - to check the approach used for color characteristics: there are currently several characteristics for color of flower and tepals. To check whether to keep the most useful for distinguishing cultivated varieties
Table of characteristics: Flower characteristics	- to add (b)
Table of Characteristics	to check the number of characteristics and whether all are needed (are all of the required to establish distinctness?)
Char. 5	to add to TQ 5.
Char. 7	state 2 to read "broad elliptic"
Char. 9	to read "Leaf blade: rough area" with the states "absent or small", "medium", "large" (see explanation)
Char. 10	to read "Leaf blade: depth of sinus" and add explanation that "observations should be made on the deepest sinus"
Char. 11	- to read "Leaf blade: anthocyanin coloration of margin" - to check whether to be indicated as QN and have a scale of 3 or 5 notes
Char. 12	to read "Leaf blade: gap in central mark"
Char. 16	- state 2 to read "green with purple-red margin" - to read "Flowering period"
Char. 17	to read "Time of flowering period"
Char. 18	to read "Duration of flowering"
Char. 21	To check whether to read: Flower: number of tepals
Char. 23	- to check whether to explain the different "types" based on characteristics that explain their differences - to check whether to be reconsidered in combination with Char. 21
Char. 24	to be deleted
Char. 25	to change to "Tepal: distribution of secondary color" and adjust states accordingly
Char. 26	to add explanation on time of observation
Char. 29	to add (b)
Char. 30	to add as grouping characteristic with color groups
Char. 33	to add explanation and/or illustrations
Char. 41	to read "Carpel: type" to check overlap with char. 21 for state 5 "petaloid"
Char. 42	to add MS
Char. 43	to add example varieties (the difference between green yellow and yellow green without example varieties is unclear)
Char. 49	to check whether to combine states 1 and 2 to read "absent or very low" or delete "absent" and add a QL characteristic with states "absent" and "present"
Char. 50	to delete "top"
Char. 55	to read "waxy layer"

Char. 59	to add explanation on how to observe rhizome maturity to be indicated as MG
8.1 (c)	to correct cross reference to "(b)"
Ad. 10	to remove indication of north, south, east west from the illustration and add that deepest sinus is always on the upper side
Ad. 11	to improve illustration (close-up photo)
Ad. 29	to delete wording
Ad. 30	to check whether to be deleted as it is covered by (b) and (c)

*Magnolia (*Magnolia* L.)

46. The subgroup discussed document TG/MAGNO(proj.6), presented by Ms. Yaling Wang (China), and agreed the following:

Cover page	to add the following synonyms to the main botanical name: <i>Yulania</i> Spach, <i>Michelia</i> L., <i>Lirianthe</i> Spach, <i>Houpoea</i> N. H. Xia & C. Y. Wu, <i>Oyama</i> (Nakai) N. H. Xia & C. Y. Wu, <i>Manglietia</i> Blume, <i>Parakmeria</i> Hu & W. C. Cheng
Char. 8	to be deleted
Char. 18, 19	to read "main color" and to add explanation (g)
Char. 22	to check whether to read "Flower bud: color of bracts" (the term spathaceous bract usually is used for special bracts such as e.g. the bract in <i>Anthurium</i> .)
Char. 24	- to check whether to read "Flower: attitude" or "Flower: attitude of peduncle" with states from "erect" to "drooping" (three or more?) - to be indicated as QN - to add illustrations
Char. 31, 32	to review characteristics and how to present them in Ad. 26
Char. 55	- to read "Length of first flowering period" - to check whether to delete (*)
Char. 56	to check whether to reduce the scale to 3 notes
8.1 (e)	end of last sentence to read "... on a sunny day."
Ad. 18	to delete first sentence
Ad. 24	to be improved (see comment on char. 24)
Ad. 26	to be revised according to changes to chars. 31 and 32 and make sure all types are clearly distinguishable (e.g globose and bowl-shaped currently have the same explanation)
Ad. 54	to read "Time of beginning of first flowering is reached when the first flower bud blooms on all plants."
Ad. 55	to read "Observation should be made for the full time of flowering, from beginning to end. The end of flowering occurs when less than 3% of flowers are left in bloom on all plants."
TQ 4.2	- to delete Seed propagated varieties - delete repetition of "budding or grafting"

Pot Azalea (*Rhododendron simsii* Planch.) and *Rhododendron* (*Rhododendron* L.) (Revision to combine TGs)

47. The subgroup discussed document TG/42/7-TG/140/5(proj.1), presented by Ms. Daniela Christ (Germany), and agreed the following:

2.2	to read "The material is to be supplied in the form of plants."
4.2.2	second sentence to read "In the case of a sample size of 6 or 10 plants, 1 off-type is allowed."
6.5	to add explanation for [G] to the legend (only to be observed for garden types)
Char. 2	to move "whitish" before "yellow" and "yellow green" after "yellow" and before "light green"
Char. 3, 4	to replace "indumentum" with "tomentum"
Char. 5	to check whether to move wording in brackets to an explanation ("Observations should be made including the petiole.") or to delete it
Char. 9	to add explanation that observations should be made without hairs
Char. 10	to be deleted
Char. 11	to add state "yellow"

Char. 12	- to read "Mature leaf: secondary color of upper side" - to add states "none" and states of char. 11 not currently in char. 12 - to add as grouping char. and TQ 5
Char. 14	to check wording of characteristic (to avoid length absent)
Char. 21	to have states from extremely small to extremely large
Char. 24	to be deleted and to be replace with "Flower: curvature of corolla lobes (as in TG/305/1)
Char. 24 to 26	24 to 26 to check whether to read "corolla lobe: ..." (if so, to re-order characteristics)
Char. 29, 35	state 1 to read "none"
Char. 30, 31, 32, 33	to add state "none"
Char. 38	to be indicated as QL
Char. 44	state 2 to read "green", state 3 to read "yellow"
8.1 (e)	- first paragraph to read "... , the darker color is considered to be the main color." - last sentences to read "Markings are always associated with spots of a similar color. A blotch <u>not</u> surrounded by spots of a similar color should be observed as a secondary or tertiary color." - to specify that the illustration is only an example
Ad. 3	to read "Tomentum: matted woolly hairs on the upper side of the leaf, especially on new growth during the summer, which can be easily wiped off by hand or rain."
8.3	to check whether to improve separation between G and P types (What are the characteristics separating the two types?)
TQ 1.	to add 1.3 for indication of species
TQ 7.	to add a question if it is [G] or [P]?

*Zantedeschia (Zantedeschia Spreng.) (Revision)

48. The subgroup discussed document TG/177/4(proj.2), presented by Ms. Jolanda van Schie (Kingdom of the Netherlands), and agreed the following:

2.2	to read "The material is to be supplied in the form of rhizomes/tubers of a sufficient size able to produce flowers."
2.3	to delete ASW on seed requirements
3.4	to add information on test design for the additional type of plant material added in 2.3 (seed-propagated varieties)
4.2	to add information for seed-propagated varieties
4.2.3	to check whether to be deleted
Table of Chars.	to check whether to replace example varieties "Captain" by others more commonly available
Char. 2	- to delete "total" and whether to add explanation - to check whether the term "shoot" to be replaced by "growing point" or other term
Char. 3	to check whether the term "shoot" to be replaced by "growing point" or other term
Char. 9	- to be indicated as QN - to check whether state 2 to read "narrow obtuse" - state 3 to read "broad obtuse"
Char. 12	- to check whether to rename characteristic to "main color" - to check states of expression - to add explanation (d) (8.1)
Char. 13	to add state "green"
Char. 14	to spell "throughout" in lower case
Char. 21	to add state "moderately above"
Char. 22	to read "Spathe: height" and to have states from "very short" to "very tall"
Char. 23	to check whether to be reduced to a scale of 5 notes
Char. 26	- to delete "natural" - state 3 to read "rounded"
Char. 30	to add (*) (used for grouping and TQ 5)

Char. 32	to add the following photograph 
Char. 33	to be deleted
Char. 34	- to add (*) (used for grouping and TQ 5) - to add one illustration of throat spot - to check whether there is variation on size of throat spots
8.	General comment on illustrations: to orientate all illustrations with base at bottom (leaves and flowers)
8.1 (e)	to be moved to section 8.2 as an explanation for char. 40 and to read "Observations should be made three to four weeks ..."
Ad. 5	to check whether to improve indication of measurements
Ad. 11	to add explanation on observation to be made on predominant size of spots
Ad. 13	to read "Observation should be made excluding the leaf spots."
Ad. 14	to check approach used to describe secondary color, including illustration for state 4
Ad. 23	to improve illustration to indicate the overlapping part all the way to the base of the spathe
Ad. 26	to rotate images to have distal part of both photos in the same direction. To add sentence "Observations should be made from above."
Ad. 28	to check whether to improve illustration for state 2 or to delete it. To remove scale bar from diagrams
Ad. 33	to be deleted
TQ 4.2.2	to check which options should be kept/displayed

Partial revisions

Carnation (*Dianthus* L.)

49. The subgroup discussed document TWO/57/3, presented by Ms. Katie Berbee (Kingdom of the Netherlands), and agreed the following:

New char. (b) II.	to add example variety "Hilbregremag (Cu)" to state 2
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Recommendations on draft Test Guidelines

(a) *Test Guidelines to be put forward for adoption by the Technical Committee*

50. The TWO agreed that the following draft Test Guidelines should be submitted to the TC for adoption at its sixty-first session, to be held in Geneva on October 20 and 21, 2025, on the basis of the following documents and the comments in this report:

Full draft Test Guidelines

Species	Basic Document(s)
*Poinsettia (<i>Euphorbia pulcherrima</i> Willd. ex Klotzsch; <i>Euphorbia pulcherrima</i> Willd. ex Klotzsch × <i>Euphorbia coranstra</i> (Dressler) Radcl.-Sm.) (Revision)	TG/24/7(proj.4), TWO/57/9

Partial revisions

Species	Basic Document(s)
Carnation (<i>Dianthus</i> L.) - addition of new characteristics for description of <i>Dianthus barbatus</i> types	TG/25/9, TWO/56/5

(b) *Test Guidelines to be discussed at the fifty-eighth session*

51. The TWO agreed to discuss the following draft Test Guidelines at its fifty-eighth session:

Full draft Test Guidelines

Species	Basic Document(s)
*Ginkgo (<i>Ginkgo biloba</i> L.)	TG/GINKG_BIL (proj.3) Corr.
*Helleborus (<i>Helleborus</i> L.)	TG/HELLE(proj.1) Corr.
Lotus (<i>Nelumbo</i> Adans.)	TG/NELUM(proj.3) Corr.
*Magnolia (<i>Magnolia</i> L.)	TG/MAGNO(proj.6) Corr.
Ornamental Apple (<i>Malus</i> Mill.) (Revision)	TG/192/1
*Pot Azalea (<i>Rhododendron simsii</i> Planch.) and <i>Rhododendron</i> (<i>Rhododendron</i> L.) (Revision to combine TGs)	TG/42/7-TG/140/5(proj.1) Corr.
*Zantedeschia (<i>Zantedeschia</i> Spreng.) (Revision)	TG/177/4(proj.2) Corr.

Partial revisions

Species	Basic Document(s)
Aloe (<i>Aloe</i> L.) - addressing different flowering times in flowering characteristics	TG/310/1, TWO/56/4

52. The leading experts, interested experts and timetables for the development of the Test Guidelines are set out in Annex VII to this report.

(c) *Possible Test Guidelines to be discussed in 2027*

53. The TWO agreed that it should consider the development of Test Guidelines for the following at a future session:

Subject	Basic document(s) (2025)
Evening Primrose (<i>Oenothera</i> L.) and Gaura (<i>Gaura</i> L.) (Revision to combine both TGs) (NL)	TG/144/3 and TG/261/1
Maple (<i>Acer</i> L.) (CN)	New
Poplar (<i>Populus</i> L.) (Revision) (FR)	TG/21/7
Torenia (<i>Torenia</i> L.) (Revision, inclusion of double flower varieties) (JP,)	TG/272/1

Tulip (<i>Tulipa</i> L.) (Revision) (NL)	TG/115/4
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(d) *Participation in discussions of Test Guidelines from other TWPs*

54. The TWO agreed to propose that the following experts be added as interested experts to the following draft Test Guidelines being discussed by the Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops (TWF), subject to the deadlines agreed in the report of the fifty-sixty session of the TWF:

<u>Subject</u>	Interested experts (countries/organizations) ¹
Hazelnut (<i>Corylus avellana</i> L.; <i>Corylus colurna</i> L.) (Revision)	CA, HU
*Granadilla, Passion fruit (<i>Passiflora edulis</i> Sims) (Revision)	NL, CIOFORA

MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

Reports on developments in plant variety protection from members and observers

55. The TWO noted the information on developments in plant variety protection from members and observers provided in document TWO/57/2 Prov. The TWO noted that reports submitted to the Office of the Union after March 25, 2025, and until April 3, 2025, would be included in the final version of document TWO/57/2.

Reports on developments in UPOV

56. The TWO noted the following matters for information, as set out in document TWP/9/1:

- (i) Revision of TGP Documents in 2024
- (ii) Revision of Information Documents in 2024
- (iii) Revision of Explanatory Notes on Variety Denominations (new denomination class for *Prunus*)
- (iv) Discussion on disease resistance characteristics in DUS examination
- (v) Matters arising from the Technical Working Parties
- (vi) Organization of the 2025 Seminar on cooperation with breeders in DUS examination
- (vii) Measures to improve support provided for DUS examination

CHAIRPERSON

57. The TWO agreed to propose to the TC that it recommend to the Council to elect Ms. Stéphanie Christien (France) as the next chairperson of the TWO.

DATE AND PLACE OF THE NEXT SESSION

58. The TWO agreed that its fifty-eighth session should be held via electronic means, from July 6 to 9, 2026.

FUTURE PROGRAM

59. The TWO agreed that documents for its fifty-eighth session should be submitted to the Office of the Union by May 29, 2026. The TWO noted that items would be deleted from the agenda if the planned documents did not reach the Office of the Union by the agreed deadline.

60. The TWO agreed to discuss the following items at its next session:

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda

¹ for name of experts, see list of participants

Matters for discussion

3. Procedures for DUS examination (presentations invited)
4. Report on court cases dealing with technical matters (presentations invited)
5. Molecular techniques in DUS examination (presentations invited)
6. Information databases (presentations invited)
7. Experiences with new types and species (oral reports invited)
8. Discussion on draft Test Guidelines (Subgroups)
9. Recommendations on draft Test Guidelines
10. Date and place of the next session
11. Future program
12. Adoption of the report of the session (if time permits)

Matters for information

13. Reports from members and observers (written reports to be prepared by members and observers)
14. Report on developments within UPOV (general developments, including variety denominations, information databases, exchange and use of software and equipment)
15. Closing of the session

VISIT

61. On the morning of April 2, 2025, the TWO visited the Dutch Flower Bulb Inspection Service (BKD) and the Royal General Bulb Growers' Association (KAVB) in Lisse. The TWO was welcomed by Mr. Bert Pinxterhuis, Director, BKD, who gave a presentation introducing the BKD. A copy of the presentation is provided in Annex V to this document. The TWO received a presentation on the activities of the KAVB by Ms. Saskia Bodegom, Taxonomist, a copy of which is provided in Annex VI to this document. The TWO received a presentation on two court cases, on Tulip and Amaryllis, by Mr. Kees Jan Groenewoud, Secretary, Dutch Board for Plant Varieties.

62. The TWO visited DUS bulb trials for tulips, daffodils, crocuses and muscari, grown on the BKD facilities and visited the tulip variety collection, containing over 2,500, grown on the KAVB facilities.

63. In the afternoon of April 2, 2025, the TWO visited the Keukenhof, a bulb spring garden with over seven million tulip and other bulbs hand planted every year with new varieties as well as varieties dating back as far as the seventeenth century. The Keukenhof was founded in 1949 by Dutch bulb growers to increase export and grows varieties provided by the bulb growers.

64. The TWO adopted this report at the close of its session.

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 <p>Regulated by Ministry/NPPO/ EU</p>	 <p>Funded by business community</p>	 <p>Phytosanitary import: NEN-EN-ISO/IEC 17020:2012</p>
 <p>Independent chair</p>	 <p>Board comprises sector representatives</p>	 <p>Laboratory tests: NEN-EN-ISO/IEC 17025:2017</p>

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3.800 registered companies



Plant varieties/identity, inspections, tests



365 employees



Revenue: € 40 million



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Field of activities



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Activities



Market access

With NVWA, branch organisation,
USA, Australia, UPOV, EPPO



Projects / training courses

G2G, PBR, PH, PRM



Research & Development

TESTA, FERA, GEVES, etc.

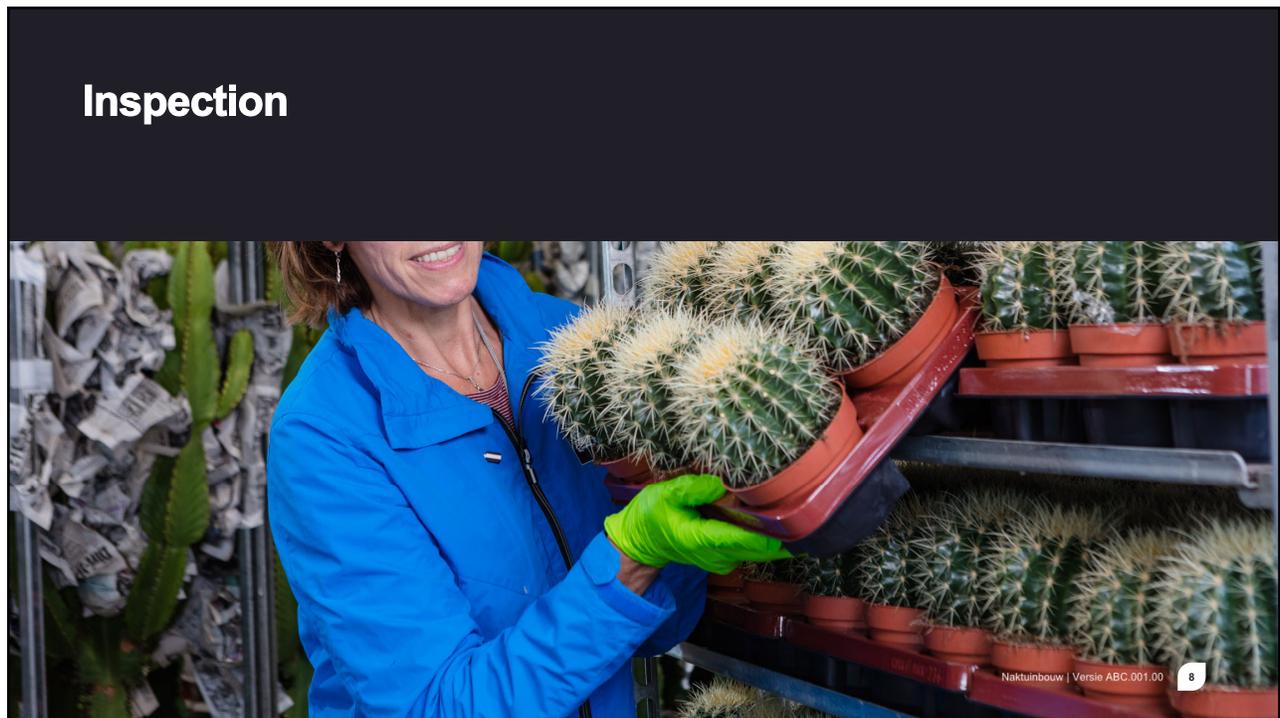


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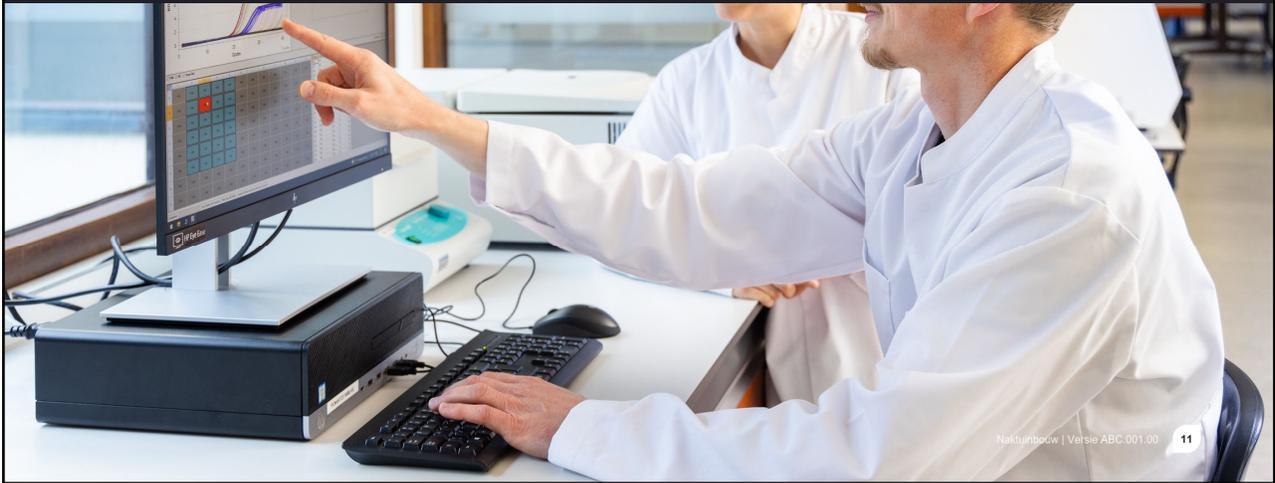
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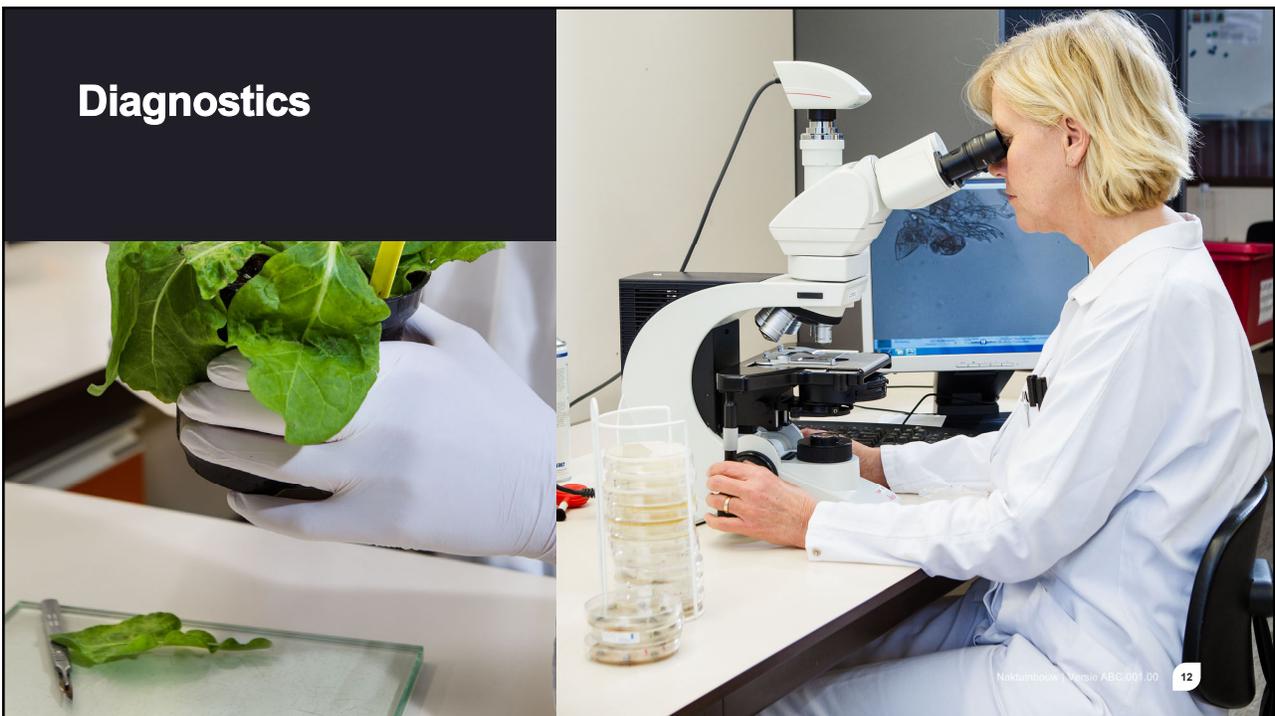
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Research & Development



Diagnostics



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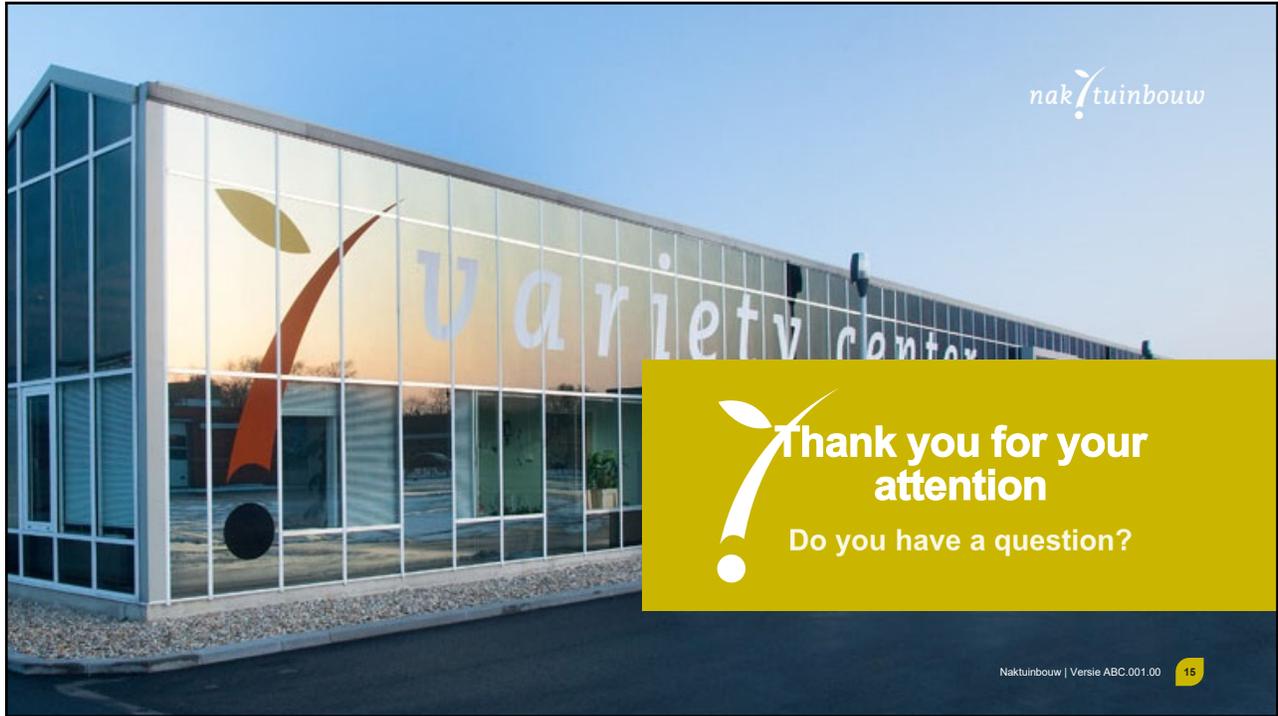
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Customers:
quality-plus systems, registration,
laboratories

Regulations/protocols:
ISTA, EU, UPOV, EPPO

Operational contacts:
ESCAA, DUS stations, bilateral



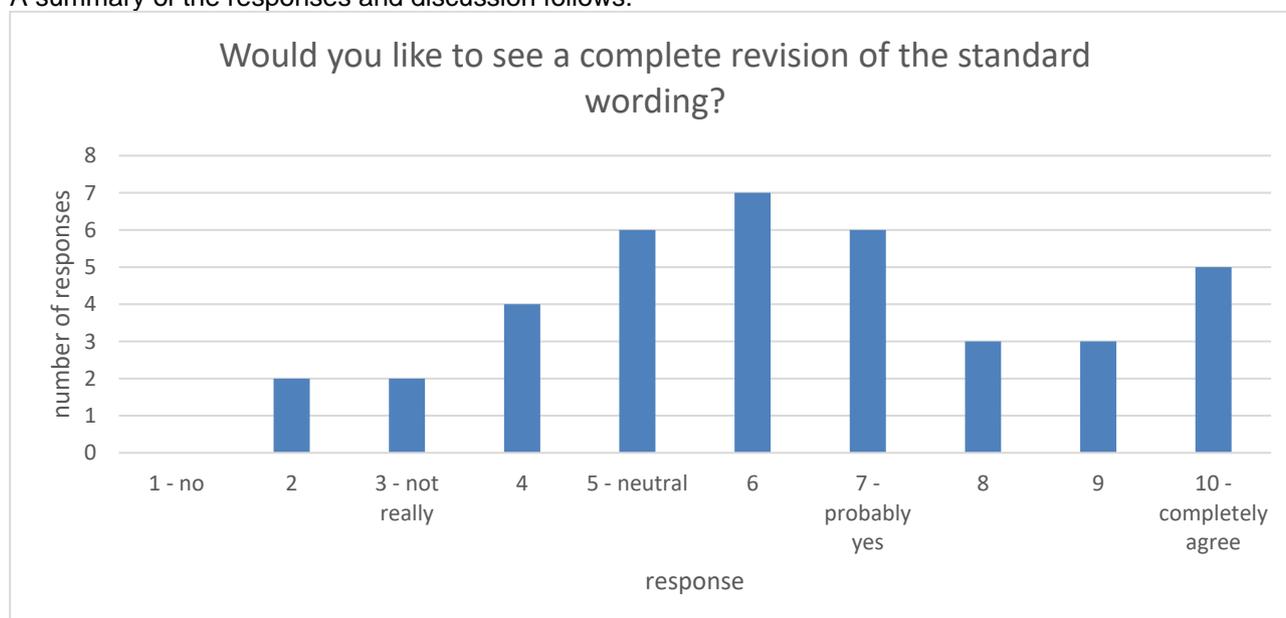


[Annex III follows]

**TC SUB-GROUP ON TEST GUIDELINES:
SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION AT THE 57TH SESSION OF THE TWO
(Report by the leading expert, Ms. Margaret Wallace (United Kingdom))**

The TWO discussed the presentation from the leading expert of the subgroup, Margaret Wallace (United Kingdom), a copy of which is provided in document TWP/9/3. The group also submitted responses to an online questionnaire.

A summary of the responses and discussion follows:

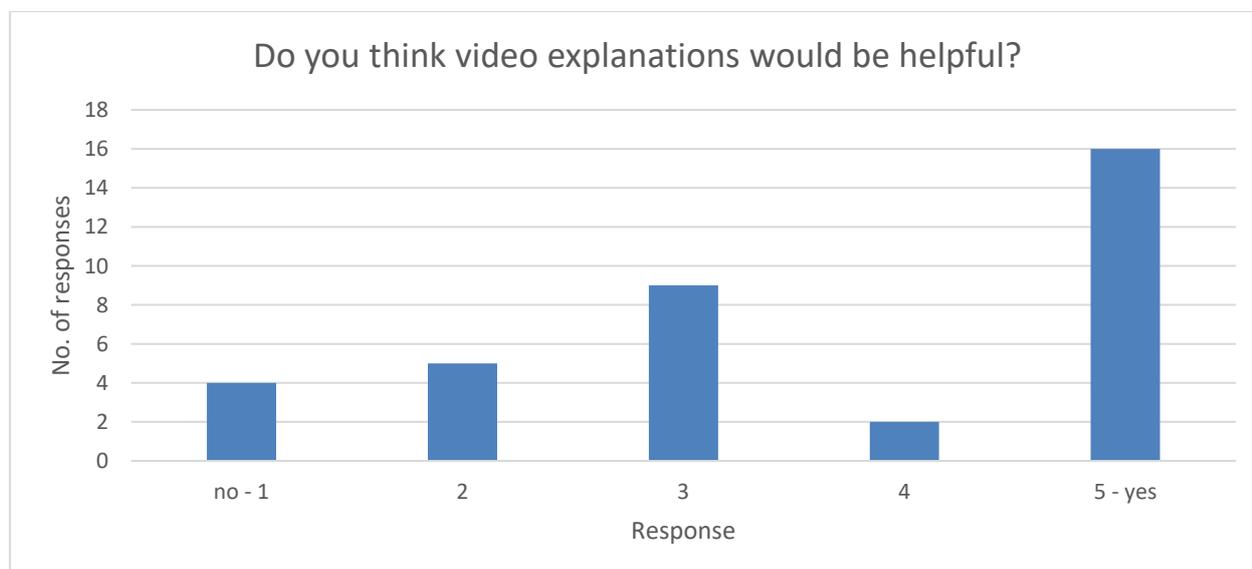


The group recognised the technical nature of the language used in the standard wording and agreed that it was important that any simplification of wording does not lose the important information.

The TWO agreed that there could be improvements made to the linking of UPOV Guidance documents.

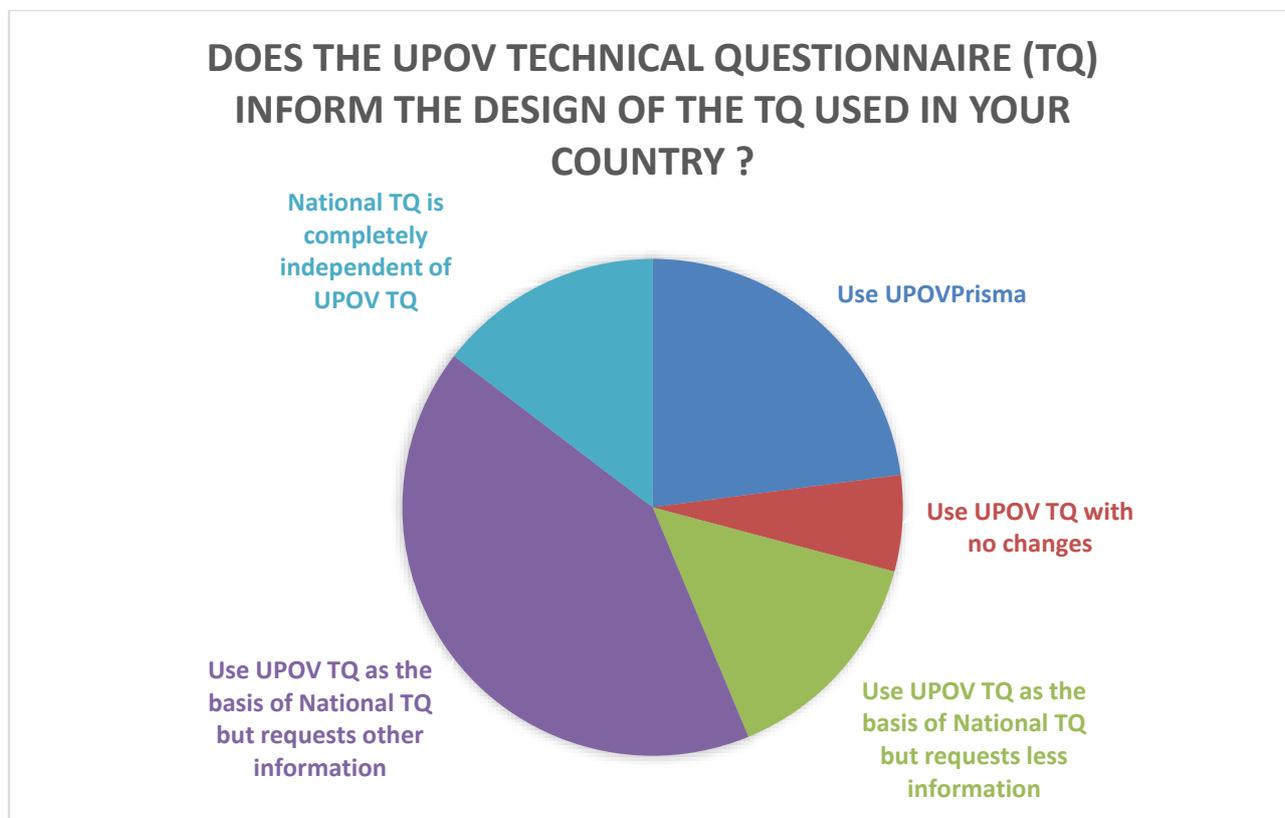
Of the 36 responses to the questionnaire, 28 said that they do print the Test Guidelines. Of those who print, half said they only print part(s) of the document, with the table of characteristics (section 7) and associated explanations (section 8) being the most printed section of the Test Guidelines.

The TWO agreed that viewing the Test Guidelines on a screen (rather than on paper) caused some difficulty in viewing the table of characteristics and the explanations.



The summary of the group responses to the questionnaire indicated that illustrations, diagrams, or photographs was the preferred method of harmonising observations; followed by text explanations, then example varieties in the order of UPOV, National, and then Regional sets.

The questionnaire included questions related to the use of the UPOV Technical Questionnaires.



The group had mixed opinions on whether the TQ should remain part of the Test Guidelines (33%) or form a separate document (36%). The remaining responses were unsure and would have to check (31%).

The TWO had limited experience of the inclusion of descriptions of methods in a Test Guidelines but agreed that having a separate document may reduce ease of access, so careful consideration would be required.

Follow-up actions:

This summary will be collated with those from discussions at the 2025 sessions of the TWM, TWV, TWA, and TWF, along with other comments made during the discussions and presented to the Technical Committee for consideration at its sixty-first session.

Margaret Wallace (Niab)
United Kingdom

[Annex IV follows]

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE, SECTION 4.2: "METHOD OF PROPAGATING THE VARIETY"

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
010	Euphorbia Fulgens	Euphorbia fulgens	Korallenranke	Euforbia	Euphorbia fulgens Karw. ex Klotzsch

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

 Vegetatively propagated varieties

- Cuttings
- in vitro propagation
- Other (please specify):

 Other (please specify):

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
047	Streptocarpus	Streptocarpus	Drehfrucht	Streptocarpus	Streptocarpus X hybridus Voss

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

 Vegetatively propagated varieties

- Cuttings
- in vitro propagation
- Other (please specify):

 Other (please specify):

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
069	Forsythia	Forsythia	Forsythie	Forsythia	Forsythia Vahl

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

 Vegetatively propagated varieties

- Cuttings
- in vitro propagation
- Other (please specify):

 Other (please specify):

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
087	Narcissi (including Daffodils)	Narcisse, Jonquille	Narzisse	Narciso	Narcissus L.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

in vitro propagation

Division

Bulbs

Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
091	Crown of Thorns	Épine du Christ	Christusdorn	Azofaifa de la espina de Cristo	Euphorbia milii Desmoulins and its hybrids

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

Cuttings

in vitro propagation

Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
103	Juniper	Genévrier	Wacholder	Enebro	Juniperus L.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

Cuttings

in vitro propagation

Budding or grafting

Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
113	Easter Cactus	Cactusjonc	Osterkaktus	Cactus de Pascua	Rhipsalidopsis Britt. et Rose, including Epiphyllopsis Berger

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

- Cuttings
- in vitro propagation
- Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
114	Exacum	Exacum	Exacum	Exacum	Exacum L.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

- Cuttings
- in vitro propagation
- Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
115	Tulip	Tulipe	Tulpe	Tulipán	Tulipa L.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

- in vitro propagation
- Division
- Bulbs
- Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
126	Lachenalia	Lachenalia	Lachenalia	Lachenalia	Lachenalia Jacq. f. ex Murray

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

- Vegetatively propagated varieties**
- Cuttings
 - in vitro propagation
 - Other (please specify):

- Other (please specify):**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
127	Leucadendron	Leucadendron	Leucadendron	Leucadendron	Leucadendron R. Br.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

- Vegetatively propagated varieties**
- Cuttings
 - in vitro propagation
 - Other (please specify):

- Other (please specify):**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
128	Leucospermum	Leucospermum	Leucospermum	Leucospermum	Leucospermum R. Br.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

- Vegetatively propagated varieties**
- Cuttings
 - in vitro propagation
 - Other (please specify):

- Other (please specify):**

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
129	Protea	Protea	Protea	Protea	Protea L.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

- Vegetatively propagated varieties**
- Cuttings
 - in vitro propagation
 - Other (please specify):

- Other (please specify):**

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
131	Chincherinchee	Ornithogale	Milchstern	Ornithogalum	Ornithogalum L.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

- Vegetatively propagated varieties**
- in vitro propagation
 - Division
 - Bulbs
 - Other (please specify):

- Other (please specify):**

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
132	Dieffenbachia	Dieffenbachia	Dieffenbachia	Dieffenbachia	Dieffenbachia Schott

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

- Vegetatively propagated varieties**
- Cuttings
 - in vitro propagation
 - Other (please specify):

- Other (please specify):**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
135	Spathiphyllum	Spathiphyllum	Spathiphyllum	Spathiphyllum	Spathiphyllum Schott

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

- Vegetatively propagated varieties**
 - Cuttings
 - in vitro propagation
 - Other (please specify):

- Other (please specify):**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
141	Aster	Aster	Aster	Aster	Aster L.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

- Vegetatively propagated varieties**
 - Cuttings
 - in vitro propagation
 - Other (please specify):

- Other (please specify):**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>FRANÇAIS</u>	<u>DEUTSCH</u>	<u>ESPAÑOL</u>	<u>LATIN</u>
144	Evening Primrose	Onagre	Nachtkerze	Onagra	Oenothera L.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

- Vegetatively propagated varieties**
 - Cuttings
 - in vitro propagation
 - Other (please specify):

- Other (please specify):**

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
147	Pyracantha, Firethorn	Pyracantha, Buisson Ardent	Feuerdorn	Espino de fuego	Pyracantha M.J. Roem.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

- Cuttings
- in vitro propagation
- Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
156	Ifafa Lily	Cyrtanthus	Cyrtanthus	Cyrtanthus	Cyrtanthus Ait.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

- in vitro propagation
- Division
- Bulbs
- Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
174	Iris (bulbous)	Iris (bulbeux)	Iris (zwiebelbildende)	Lirio (bulboso)	Iris L.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

- in vitro propagation
- Division
- Bulbs
- Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
214	Catharanthus	Pervenche de Madagascar	Zimmerimmergrün	Vinca pervinca	Catharanthus roseus (L.) G. Don

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

- Cuttings
- in vitro propagation
- Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

CODE	ENGLISH	FRANÇAIS	DEUTSCH	ESPAÑOL	LATIN
216	Hypericum hircinum L., H. androsaemum L., H. x inodorum Mill.	Hypericum hircinum L., H. androsaemum L., H. x inodorum Mill.	Hypericum hircinum L., H. androsaemum L., H. x inodorum Mill.	Hypericum hircinum L., H. androsaemum L., H. x inodorum Mill.	Hypericum hircinum L., H. androsaemum L., H. x inodorum Mill.

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

Information on method of propagating the variety

Vegetatively propagated varieties

- Cuttings
- in vitro propagation
- Other (please specify):

Other (please specify):

[Annexes V and VI follow]



INTRODUCTION BKD

Visit of The International
Union for the Protection of
New Varieties of Plants
(UPOV)

April 2nd 2025



Agenda

1. BKD organisation
2. BKD in numbers
3. The flower bulb sector in numbers
4. The inspection system





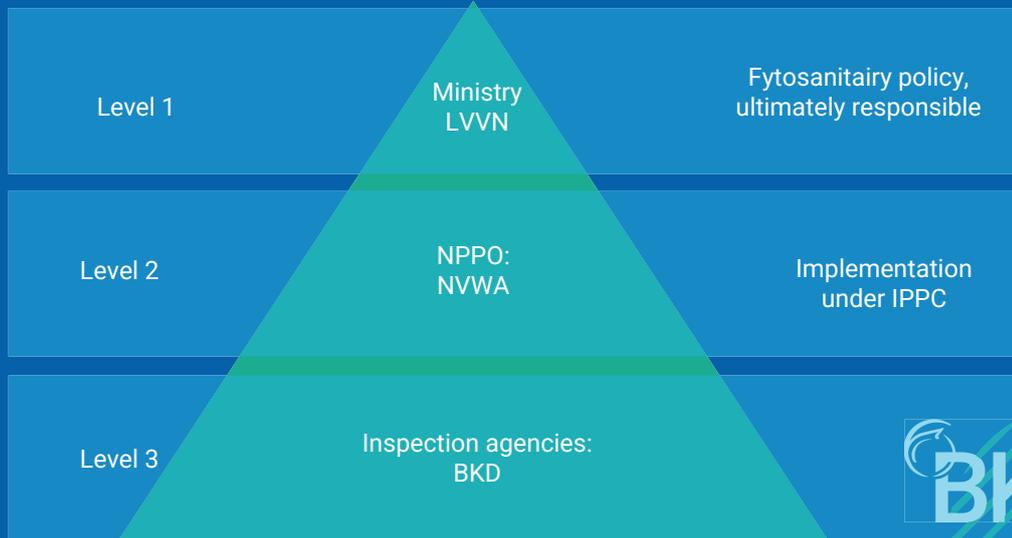
BKD organisation



BKD supports market access by inspecting flower bulbs up to a leading level of quality and provides national and international guarantees for the quality of flower bulbs.



Dutch fyto-sanitary system



BKD is a foundation with 100 employees



Working under the responsibility of the ministry of LVVN

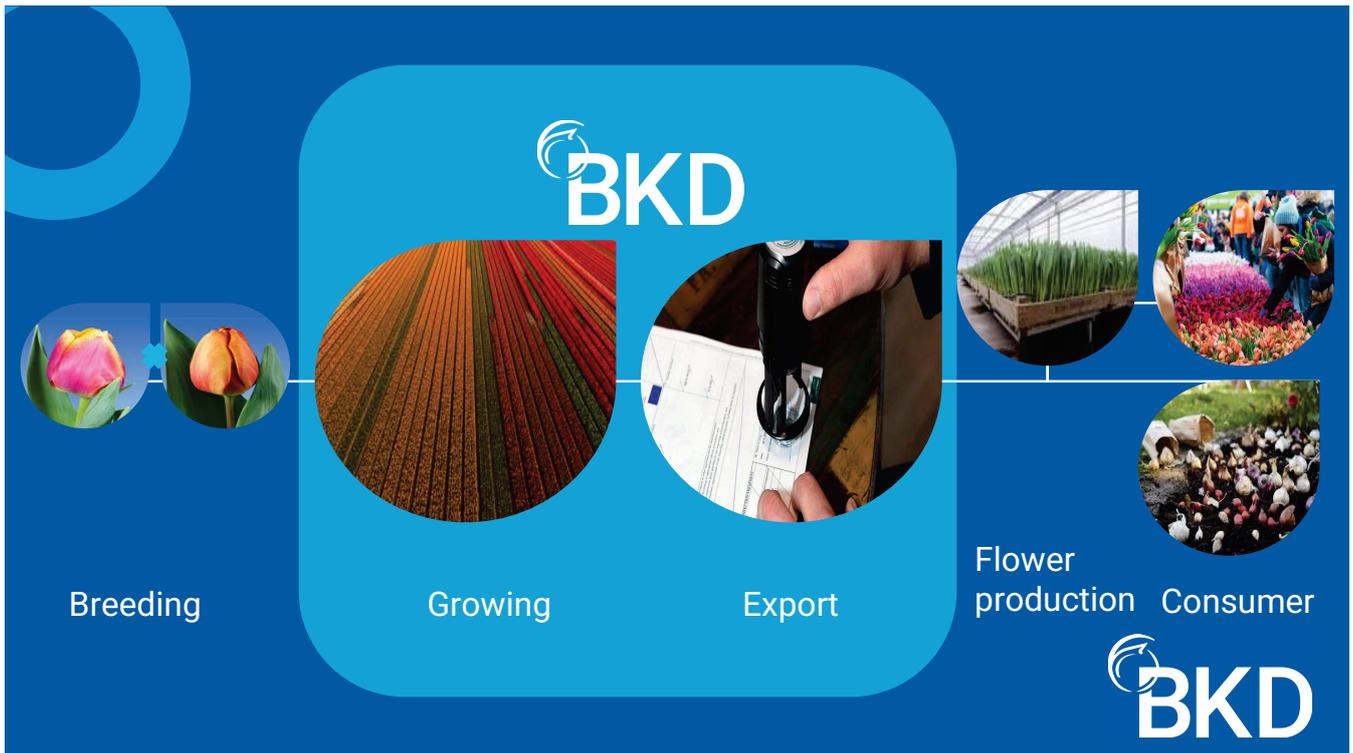


Audits by the NVWA



ISO 17020 & ISO 17025 accredited







BKD in numbers



1.116

Businesses registered with BKD



48.700

Lots inspected on the field



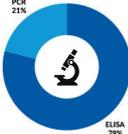
7.500

Visits for export inspection



30.800

Samples tested in the laboratory



3.600

Lots inspected in our BKD test greenhouses or garden



430

Visits for import inspection



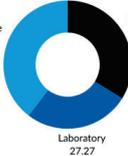
NUMBERS 2024

TOTAL REVENUE

€ 12.000.000,-

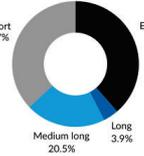
177 employees
102,5 fte

Of which 100 in permanent employment on december 31st 2024

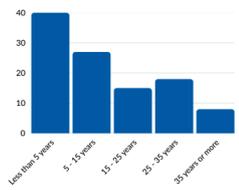
2,5%

Sick leave

13,2

Average number years of service



10 cases
Submitted to the disciplinary court

of which

10 cases
Settled with a chairman's decision, 0 settled during a hearing





Sector in numbers



1. 950 growers
2. Production: 23.700 hectare
 - a. 13.000 hectare Tulip
 - b. 5.200 hectare Lily
3. 166 exporters, trading all over the world
4. Bulbs for:
 - a. Dry sale
 - b. Flower production
5. Export value over 1 billion





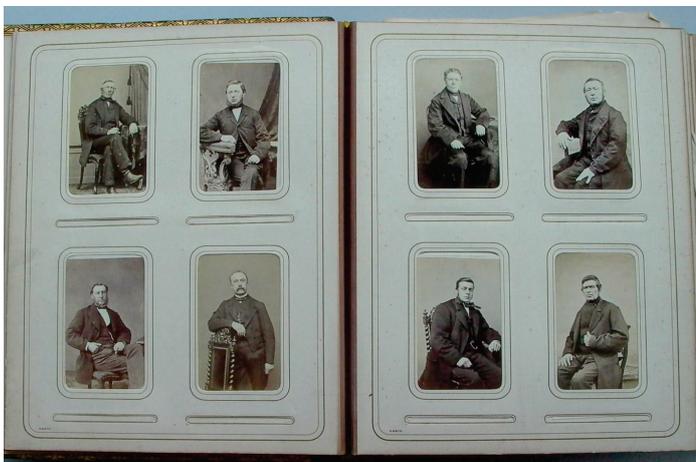
UPOV TWO bulb field day

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KAVB founded 1860

- Main task organising floral exhibitions



Royal General Bulbgrowers' Association

Koninklijke Algemeene Vereeniging voor Bloembollencultuur

- Professional growers
- Trade
- Breeding
- Intermediates, auctions etc.



Cultivar registration

- ISHS
- ICRA/NCRA
- DUS
- Trial Garden



What is registration?

- Fix a name to an identity
- Part of this process is DUS testing (distinction, uniformity and stability)
- Description
- Accepted (preferably unique) name
- First step towards quality



KAVB ICRA and NCRA

- ICRA for most bulbous crops
- NCRA for Dahlia, Gladiolus, Liliium and Narcissus working closely together with the ICRA RHS and NAGC





- World-Wide Horticultural Network: independent organisation of horticulturists acting as a globally recognized and sought-after platform for research, science-based information exchange and collaboration in support of sustainable innovation in horticulture, under umbrella of United Nations.
- The ICRA system is in effect the horticultural world's attempt at self-policing of nomenclature and is truly international in its scope.



Different scopes

- PBR: protection variety
return on investment
novelty
limited area
limited period
- ICRA: organisation market
all varieties
global
indefinite period



Overlap PBR and ICRA

- Denomination
- DUS testing
- Identifying



Coverage (figures from 2013)

- 40% bulbs PBR and ICRA
Most of Liliium, Alstroemeria, Freesia and Zantedeschia
- 60% bulbs only ICRA
Most of Narcissus, Crocus and Colchicum



Checking proposed cultivar names

- Checking availability name on request
- Application + photo + name
- Checks (Code, Cultivar registers, Plant Patent, trademarks)
- Request to CPVO / RHS and NAGC
- Reservation name with KAVB / RHS / NAGC for one year



Database with:

- Cultivar name
- Description
- Picture
- Information about PBR
- Registrant
- Raiser
- Edibulbcode





Voor leden Uitloggen Contact English Uw zoekterm Zoeken

Home Actueel Thema's Kennisbanken Organisatie Lidmaatschap Kringen



Siergewassen

All fields / Alle velden * is wildcard

Genus

Cultivar

Cultivar Group (example Triumph, Astoria)

Registration from: to: (dateformat: dd/mm/yyyy)

Main colour / Hoofdkleur (example red, yellow)

Secondary colour / Nevenkleur (example white, yellow-orange)

Sport of / Mutant van

EDI Bulb Code

PBR NL / NL Kwekersrecht

PBR EU / EU Kwekersrecht




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Zoekresultaten

alle zoekopties tonen

All fields / Alle velden * is wildcard

1 tot 10 van 420 resultaten

GENUS	SPECIES	CULTIVAR GROUP	CULTIVAR	REGISTRANT	DATE REGISTRATION	NO CULTIVATION SINCE
Tulipa		Triumph Group	'Abra Star'	J.C.M. Wijnker Bloembollenbedrijf	10-12-2013	
Tulipa		Triumph Group	'Ace Pink'	Mastenbroek Breeding Rights B.V. & Vriend Cultures B.V.	12-02-2014	
Tulipa		Triumph Group	'Adamas'	Gebr. Hulsebosch B.V.	26-11-2014	
Tulipa		Triumph Group	'Airbus'	F. Kuypers & S.P. Vlaar & Zn.	26-11-2014	
Tulipa		Triumph Group	'Ajagold'	Kreuk Bloembollen B.V.	19-09-2013	
Tulipa		Triumph Group	'Alectric'	W.Th. Langelaan & Zn.	17-07-2015	
Tulipa		Triumph Group	'Alfred Thoen'	Ligthart Bloembollen & Thoolen Int B.V.	05-12-2012	
Tulipa		Double Late Group	'Alicante'	Centrum voor Siergewassen B.V.	19-09-2012	
Tulipa		Double Early Group	'Alison Bradley'	Hollands Bloemmarkt B.V.	19-05-2015	
Tulipa		Triumph Group	'Amaday'	Holland BolRoy B.V.	20-03-2014	

< Vorige Volgende >





Detail

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Primary	Colours	Specifications	Other	FBR Netherlands	PBR European Union	Image
Prefix G		Cultivar Group	Triumph Group			
Genus	Tulipa	Cultivar	'Alectric'			
Author G	L.	Trade Name				
Family	Liliaceae	Synonyms				
Author F	Juss.	Common Name				
Species with subspecies etc.		Named after				
Prefix SVF						
Author SVF						
Description	<p>Samenvatting kleur: wit 155C, donker paarsrood 60B gerand. Binnenzijde: bodem binnenste bl.bl. wit (groot). Binnenste bl.bl. donker roserood 53C/paarsrood N57A, distaal puntje wit 155D. Helmdraden wit. Stuifmeel geel. Buitenzijde: buitenste bl.bl. wit 155C, vanaf 1/3 naar randen (m.u.v.t. top) overgaand in donker paarsrood 60B, over witte gedeelte enkele fijne streepjes lichtgeel 5D, en distaal streepje lichtgroen 144C. Binnenste bl.bl. donker roserood 53C/paarsrood N57A, over middenmerf wit 155A streepje, basale 1/2 wit 155C. Steel groen met basaal licht anthooyaan. Blad groen. Bloemlengte circa 7.5 cm.</p>					



Detail

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Primary	Colours	Specifications	Other	FBR Netherlands	PBR European Union	Image
Flower Primary Colour		Flower Secondary Colour				
RHS	155C	RHS	060B			
UPOV	white	UPOV	dark purple-red			
NDS1	wit	NDS1	donker paarsrood			
NDS2	wit	NDS2	donkerrood			
NDS3	wit	NDS3	rood			
Variation of Colour Flower	gerand					

Detail

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Primary	Colours	Specifications	Other	FBR Netherlands	PBR European Union
Introducer Name		Awards			
City		EDI Bulb Code	85092		
Country		NAGC Code			
Date/Period Introduction		Throckmorton Code			
Registrant Name	W.Th. Langelaan & Zn.				
City	Julianadorp				
Country					
Date registration	17-07-2015				
No cultivation since					
Raiser Name	Wim Langelaan				
City	Julianadorp				
Country					
Period Hybridisation					

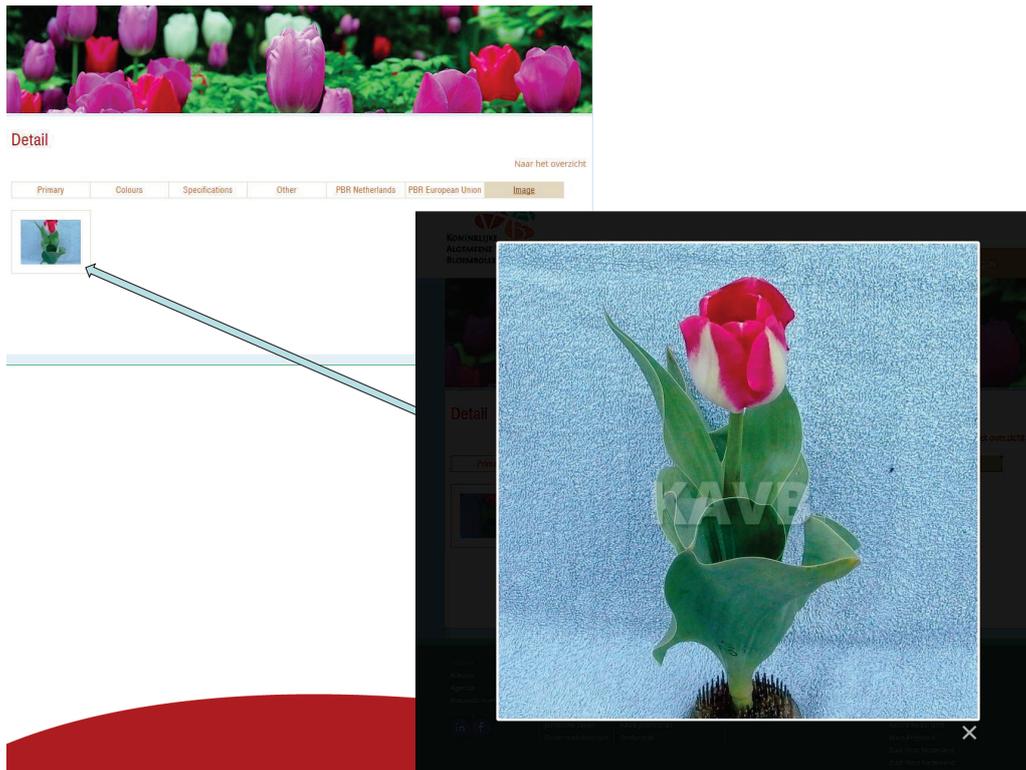


Detail

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Primary	Colours	Specifications	Other	FBR Netherlands	PBR European Union	Image
Flowering Time		Relative Flowering Time				
Flowering Months		Fragrance of Flower				
Type of Flowers		Height of Plant	30 cm			
Diameter of Flower	mm	Chromosomes 2n=				
Sports of	'Page Polka'					
Geography						
Sports						





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ANNEX VII

LIST OF LEADING EXPERTS

**DRAFT TEST GUIDELINES TO BE SUBMITTED
TO THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE IN 2025**

All requested information to be submitted to the Office of the Union

by May 16, 2025

Full draft Test Guidelines

Species	Basic Document(s)	Leading expert(s)
*Poinsettia (<i>Euphorbia pulcherrima</i> Willd. ex Klotzsch; <i>Euphorbia pulcherrima</i> Willd. ex Klotzsch × <i>Euphorbia cornastra</i> (Dressler) Radcl.-Sm.) (Revision)	TG/24/7(proj.4), TWO/57/9	Ms. Laetitia Denecheau (QZ)

Partial revisions

Species	Basic Document(s)	Leading expert(s)
Carnation (<i>Dianthus</i> L.) - addition of new characteristics for description of <i>Dianthus barbatus</i> types	TG/25/9, TWO/56/5	Ms. Katie Berbee (NL)

DRAFT TEST GUIDELINES TO BE DISCUSSED AT TWO/58

(* indicates possible final draft Test Guidelines)

(Guideline date for Subgroup draft to be submitted by Leading Expert: March 27, 2026

Guideline date for comments to Leading Expert by Subgroup: April 24, 2026)

New draft to be submitted to the Office of the Union

before May 22, 2026

Full draft Test Guidelines

Species	Basic Document(s)	Leading expert(s)	Interested experts (States/Organizations) ²
*Ginkgo (<i>Ginkgo biloba</i> L.)	TG/GINKG_BIL (proj.3) Corr.	Mr. Yongqi Zheng (CN)	FR, HU, KR, QZ, NZ, CIOFORA, Office
*Helleborus (<i>Helleborus</i> L.)	TG/HELLE(proj.1) Corr.	Ms. Katie Berbee (NL)	DE, FR, GB, JP, KR, MX, QZ, CIOFORA, Office
Lotus (<i>Nelumbo</i> Adans.)	TG/NELUM(proj.3) Corr.	Mr. Daike Tian (CN)	CA, FR, JP, KR, CIOFORA, Office
*Magnolia (<i>Magnolia</i> L.)	TG/MAGNO(proj.6) Corr.	Ms. Yaling Wang (CN)	AU, CA, FR, GB, JP, KR, NZ, QZ, CIOFORA, Office
Ornamental Apple (<i>Malus</i> Mill.) (Revision)	TG/192/1	Ms. Ling Guo (CN)	TWF, AU, CA, FR, GB, KR, QZ, NZ, Office
*Pot Azalea (<i>Rhododendron simsii</i> Planch.) and <i>Rhododendron</i> (<i>Rhododendron</i> L.) (Revision to combine TGs)	TG/42/7-TG/140/5(proj.1) Corr.	Ms. Daniela Christ (DE)	CA, CN, FR, GB, JP, MX, QZ, ZA, CIOFORA, Office
*Zantedeschia (<i>Zantedeschia Spreng.</i>) (Revision)	TG/177/4(proj.2) Corr.	Ms. Katie Berbee (NL)	CN, FR, JP, MX, QZ, ZA, CIOFORA, Office

Partial revisions

Species	Basic Document(s)	Leading expert(s)	Interested experts (States/Organizations) ²
Aloe (<i>Aloe</i> L.) - addressing different flowering times in flowering characteristics	TG/310/1, TWO/56/4	Mr. Marco Hoffman (NL)	QZ, ZA, CIOFORA, Office

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Draft Test Guidelines to possibly be discussed in 2027

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Basic document(s) (2025)</u>
Evening Primrose (<i>Oenothera</i> L.) and Gaura (<i>Gaura</i> L.) (Revision to combine both TGs) (NL)	TG/144/3 and TG/261/1
Maple (<i>Acer</i> L.) (CN)	New
Poplar (<i>Populus</i> L.) (Revision) (FR)	TG/21/7
Torenia (<i>Torenia</i> L.) (Revision, inclusion of double flower varieties) (JP,)	TG/272/1
Tulip (<i>Tulipa</i> L.) (Revision) (NL)	TG/115/4

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