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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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1. Introduction to UPOV and the role of UPOV Technical Working Parties (TWPs)
2. Overview of the General Introduction (document TG/1/3 and TGP documents)
* Characteristics as the basis for DUS examination and selection of characteristics
* Molecular techniques in DUS examination
1. Guidance on drafting Test Guidelines (document TGP/7)
2. Subject of the Test Guidelines, material required and method of examination
3. Method of observation (MS, MG, VS, VG)
4. Types of expression (QL, PQ, QN), notes and distinctness
5. Shape and color characteristics
6. Example varieties
7. The process for developing UPOV Test Guidelines, including: the web-based TG Template; Additional Standard Wording; and Guidance Notes
8. Agenda for the TWP Session
9. Feedback from participants

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