

Technical Working Party for Vegetables

TWV/60/1 Rev.

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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. Development of guidance and information materials (document TWP/10/1)
 - Number of growing cycles and concluding examination (document TWP/10/1)
4. Assessing distinctness in disease resistance characteristics (document TWV/60/5)
 - Revision of disease resistance characteristics in the European Union (document TWV/60/6)
5. Notification of additional characteristics and states of expression (document TWP/10/2)
6. Support for drafting national test guidelines (presentations invited on characteristics, approaches or challenges relevant for national test guidelines) (document TWP/10/3)
7. Measures to improve support provided for DUS examination (document TWP/10/3)
 - Possible Measures on Test Guidelines and online tool for drafting TGs (document TWP/10/3)
8. Experiences with new types and species (oral reports invited)
9. Molecular techniques in variety examination (document TWP/10/4)
 - (a) Survey on the use of molecular marker techniques 2026 (document TWP/10/4 Add.)
 - (b) Progress in the Use of Molecular Markers to Support Tomato DUS Testing at Naktuinbouw (document TWV/60/7-TWM/4/6)
10. Discussions on draft Test Guidelines
 - Full draft Test Guidelines
 - *Asparagus (*Asparagus officinalis* L.) (Revision) (document TG/130/5(proj.2))
 - Garlic (*Allium sativum* L.) (Revision) (document TG/162/5(proj.3))
 - *Ginger (*Zingiber officinale* Rosc.) (Revision) (document TG/153/4(proj.3))
 - Vegetable Marrow, Squash (*Cucurbita pepo* L.) (Revision) (document TG/119/5(proj.1))
 - *Parsley (*Petroselinum crispum* (Mill.) Nyman ex A.W. Hill) (Revision) (document TG/136/6(proj.4))
 - Partial revisions
 - *Cucumber, Gherkin (*Cucumis sativus* L.) (Partial revision: addition of resistance to *Cucumber green mottle mosaic virus*) (documents TG/61/7 Rev. 3 and TWV/60/4)

- *Tomato Rootstocks (Partial revision: *Meloidogyne incognita* (Nematodes): to change the states of expression (same as tomato) and control varieties (documents TG/294/1 Rev. 5 and TWV/60/3)
- 11. Technical Questionnaire, section 4.2: "Method of propagating the variety" (document TWP/10/5)
- 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 on developments in plant variety protection from members and observers (document TWV/60/2))
- 17. Report on developments in UPOV (general developments, including variety denominations, information databases, exchange and use of software and equipment) (document TWP/10/6)
- 18. Closing of the session

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