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THE BENEFITS OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

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Monday, April 11, 2011

08.30 Registration
09.30 Welcome address by Mr. Francis Gurry, Secretary-General, UPOV
09.40 Opening by Mr. Keun-Jin Choi, President, Council of UPOV
09.50 Benefits of the UPOV system for technology transfer
   Mr. Peter Button, Vice Secretary-General, UPOV

Session 1: Use of Plant Variety Protection by National Research Centers
Chair: Ms. Enriqueta Molina Macias

10.10 National Agriculture and Food Research Organization (NARO), Japan
    Mr. Ryudai Oshima, Deputy Director, Intellectual Property Division, Ministry of v
    Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)

10.35 Grasslanz Technology, New Zealand
    Ms. Jenn James, IP Manager

11.00 Coffee
11.30 Agricultural Research Council, South Africa
Mr. Shadrack R. Moephuli, Chief Executive Officer
(presented by Mr. Raimundo Lavignolle, Office of the Union)

11.55 Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation (EMBRAPA), Brazil
Mr. Filipe de Moraes Teixeira, Head, Technical Innovation Office

12.20 National Institute of Agricultural Research (INRA), France
Mr. Yves Lespinasse, INRA Research Director

12.45 Lunch

Session 2: Technology Transfer by the Private Sector
Chair: Ms. Kitisri Sukhapinda

14.30 DSP SA, Switzerland
Mr. Willi Wicki, Responsible for Varieties Administration

14.55 Masstock Arable UK Ltd, United Kingdom
Mr. Barry Barker, National Arable Seed Product Manager

15.20 Uruguayan Breeders Association (URUPOV)
Mr. Diego Risso, Executive Director

15.45 Role of the private sector in Kenya
Mr. Evans Sikinyi, Kenya

16.10 Coffee

16.40 Discussion (with panel of speakers)

17.30 End of session

Tuesday, April 12, 2011

Session 3: International Research Centers
Chair: Mr. David Boreham

09.30 Perspective of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) Consortium
Mr. Lloyd Le Page, Chief Executive Officer, CGIAR Consortium

09.55 Experience of a CGIAR center: International Rice Research Institute (IRRI)
Mr. Ruaraidh Sackville Hamilton, Head, Genetic Resources Center, IRRI

10.20 Possible approaches for Technology Transfer by International Research Centers
Mr. Ian Barker, Head of Agricultural Partnerships, Syngenta Foundation

10.45 Discussion

11.15 Coffee

11.45 Closing remarks by the Chairs

12.15 Close