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Joel GUIARD, 63 years old, is an agronomist specialized in genetic and plant breeding working in GEVES, the French examination office for testing new varieties. He has been involved in the implementation of regulations on varieties and seeds for more than 30 years. He has a long experience in National listing and Plant Breeder's Right domains with active participation in European Commission, UPOV and CPVO bodies.

He was part of the Diplomatic conference for the revision of the UPOV convention in 1991 where he chaired the working group producing the definition of the variety. At UPOV level, he chaired TWA and BMT technical working groups and two times the Technical Committee.