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**SEMINAR ON PROPAGATING AND HARVESTED MATERIAL
IN THE CONTEXT OF THE UPOV CONVENTION**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.30 Welcome address by Mr. Francis Gurry, Secretary-General, UPOV
- 9.35 Opening by Mr. Raimundo Lavignolle, Vice-President of the Council of UPOV
- 9.40 Development of UPOV guidance on propagating and harvested material
Mr. Peter Button, Vice Secretary-General, UPOV
- Session I: Perspectives on the notions of propagating material and harvested material
- Moderator: Mr. Button
- 9.50 Perspective of the International Community of Breeders of Asexually Reproduced Ornamental and Fruit-Tree Varieties (CIOPORA)
Mr. Andrea Mansuino, President, CIOPORA
- 10.10 Perspective of the Committee of Professional Agricultural Organisations (COPA) – General Committee for Agricultural Cooperation in the European Union (COGECA)
Mr. Thor Gunnar Kofoed, Denmark
- 10.30 Perspective of the European Coordination Via Campesina
Mr. Guy Kastler
- 10.50 Perspective of the International Seed Federation (ISF)
Mr. Michael Keller, Secretary-General, ISF
- 11.10 *Coffee*

Session II: Analysis of court decisions on propagating material and harvested material

Moderator: Ms. Yolanda Huerta, Legal Counsel, UPOV

- 11.30 Mr. Axel Metzger
University of Humboldt, Germany
- 11.50 Mr. Fernando Ardila
Instituto Nacional de Tecnología Agropecuaria (INTA), Argentina
- 12.10 Mr. Herbert Zech
University of Basel, Switzerland
- 12.30 Lunch

Session III: Experiences concerning propagating material and harvested material

Moderator: Mr. Martin Ekvad, Chair of the Administrative and Legal Committee of UPOV

- 14.30 Mr. Gert Würtenberger
Würtenberger Kunze, Germany
- 14.50 Mr. Antonio Villarroel
Asociación Nacional de Obtentores Vegetales (ANOVE), Spain
European Seed Association (ESA)
- 15.10 Mr. Nik Hulse
Chief of Plant Breeders' Rights, Plant Breeder's Rights Office, IP Australia
- 15.30 Mr. Geert Staring
Breeders Trust, Belgium
- 15.50 Ms. Carmen Gianni
Instituto Nacional de Semillas (INASE), Argentina
- 16.10 Mr. Casper van Kempen
Anti-Infringement Bureau for Intellectual Property Rights on Plant Material (AIB), Belgium
- 16.30 *Coffee*
- 16.45 Panel Discussion
- Moderator: Mr. Lavignolle
- Panel members: (to be confirmed)
- 17.25 Closing remarks by Mr. Ekvad
- 17.30 End of Seminar

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