

Seminar on the interaction between plant variety protection and the use of plant breeding technologies

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9.30 – 9.40	<p>Welcome and opening remarks <i>Mr. Peter Button, Vice Secretary-General, UPOV</i></p> <p>SESSION I: DEVELOPMENTS IN TECHNOLOGIES USED IN PLANT BREEDING <i>Moderator: Mr. Yehan Cui, President of the UPOV Council</i></p>
9.40 – 9.50	<p>Induction Gene-based DH Breeding for Multicrops <i>Mr. Chen Shaojiang, Professor, Department of Genetics and Breeding, China Agricultural University, China</i></p>
9.50 – 10.00	<p>Integration of new breeding technologies (NBTs) into variety breeding: how to find the right balance for incentivising innovators? <i>Mr. Michiel van Lookeren Campagne, Honorary Fellow, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), Australia</i></p>
10.00 – 10.10	<p>Improvement of new fruit tree cultivars and usage of genetic markers for characterization and maintenance of plant breeders' rights <i>Mr. Doron Holland, Newe Yaar Research Center (Agricultural Research Organization), Ramat Yishay, Israel</i></p>
10.10 – 10.20	<p>Natural and induced mutations secured by clonal propagation: impact and implications <i>Ms. Zelda Bijzet, Research Team Manager: Crop Development, Agricultural Research Council, South Africa</i></p>
10.20 – 10.30	<p>Breeding and biotechnology in Argentina: a sugarcane genetics perspective <i>Mr. Germán Serino, Director, Chacra Experimental Agrícola Santa Rosa, Argentina</i></p>
10.30 – 11.00	<p>Discussion with speakers of Session I</p>
11.00 – 11.35	<p>Coffee break</p> <p>SESSION II: PARTNERING IN USE OF TECHNOLOGY <i>Moderator: Ms. María Laura Villamayor, Chair of UPOV Administrative and Legal Committee</i></p>
11.35 – 11.45	<p>New breeding techniques: public research institute perspective <i>Mr. Marcelo Daniel Labarta, Technology Transfer Office, National Institute of Agricultural Technology (INTA), Buenos Aires, Argentina</i></p>

- 11.45 – 11.55 **The importance of public-private collaboration to enhance application of biotechnology in plant breeding**
Mr. Muath Alsheikh, Head of Research and Development, Graminor AS, Norway
- 11.55 – 12.05 **How to balance PBR and patents in breeding programs: Lantmännen (farming cooperative) perspective**
Mr. Bo Gertsson, Group Manager Product Development Plant breeding, Lantmännen lantbruk, Stockholm, Sweden
- 12.05 – 12.30 **Discussion with speakers of Session II**
- 12:30 – 14.30 **Lunch Break**
- SESSION III: ROLE OF IP RIGHTS IN SECURING INVESTMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS IN BREEDING**
Moderator: Ms. Minori Hagiwara, Vice-Chair of UPOV Administrative and Legal Committee
- 14.30 – 14.40 **What if your crop abundantly produces EDVs by itself**
Mr. Arend van Peer, Team Leader Mushroom Research, University of Wageningen, Netherlands
- 14.40 – 14.50 **Intellectual property and legal perspective on new technologies and variety development**
Ms. Heidi Nebel, Managing Partner and Chair of the Chemical and Biotechnology Practice Group at McKee, Voorhees & Sease PLC, Des Moines, United States of America
- 14.50 – 15.00 **Plant variety protection according to the 1991 UPOV Convention and new plant breeding technologies**
Mr. Ricardo López de Haro y Wood, PBR Advisor, Madrid, Spain
- 15.00 – 15.10 **Role of plant breeders rights and other forms of IP in promoting plant breeding**
Mr. Michael Kock, Senior Vice President, Innovation Catalyst, Inari Agriculture Inc., Cambridge, United States of America
- 15.10 – 15.20 **Origin and goal of the EDV principle in UPOV and its importance in the use of new breeding technologies**
Mr. Huib Ghijsen, Juridical Counsellor Plant Breeder's Rights / Director "RechtvoorU", Middleburg, Netherlands, on behalf of AIPH
- 15.20 – 15.45 **Discussion with speakers of Session III**
- 15.45 – 16.15 **Coffee break**
- SESSION IV: SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW VARIETIES THAT MAXIMIZE BENEFIT FOR SOCIETY – THE ROLE OF THE UPOV SYSTEM OF PVP**
Moderator: Mr. Anthony Parker, Vice-President of the UPOV Council
- 16.15 – 16.25 **Setting the scene**
Ms. Yolanda Huerta, Legal Counsel and Director of Training and Assistance, UPOV
- 16.25 – 16.35 **Role and importance of phenotype/genotype for the granting of PVP and EDV-status**
Mr. Gert Würtenberger, Chairman of the GRUR Expert Committee on the Protection of Plant Varieties (Vorsitzender des GRUR Ausschusses für den Schutz von Pflanzenzüchtungen) and Lawyer, Meissner Bolte, Munich, Germany

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Breeders' view on essentially derived varieties

Ms. Erin Wallich, Intellectual Property Manager, Summerland Varieties Corporation, Summerland, Canada, on behalf of ISF, CropLife International, CIOPORA, APSA, AFSTA, SAA and Euroseeds

16.45 – 16.55

Diversity of breeding technologies and impact for plant variety protection

Mr. Christian Huyghe, Scientific Director for Agriculture, National Research Institute for Agriculture, Food and the Environment (INRAE); Chair of the scientific committee of the CTPS (French committee for variety registration and seed certification), France

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Discussion with speakers of Session IV

17.20 – 17.30

Closing remarks

Mr. Yehan Cui, President of the UPOV Council

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