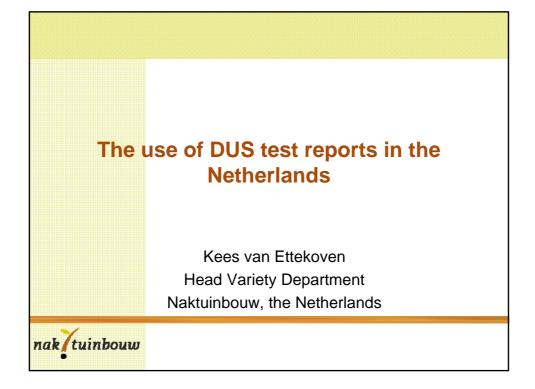
Agenda item 3(b) Use of DUS test reports by the Netherlands





Subject for an hour in 5 minutes



- Acceptance of DUS test reports
- Value of DUS test reports
- Availability of variety descriptions
- How to deal with variety descriptions of parent lines



Acceptance of DUS test reports



The Netherlands accepts DUS test reports of CPVO entrusted examination offices for the relevant species without any checking

Further in principle reports can be accepted from all UPOV member States provided they fulfill certain criteria with regard the use of the relevant UPOV guidelines and reference collections

The Netherlands supplies DUS test reports to all countries (also non UPOV members)

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Value of DUS test reports



- Subject to completeness, readability and experience of the donating Examination office, the variety descriptions in the DUS test reports are of great value for the running of an examination office to establish Common knowledge and the reference collection
- Bonusses: grouping characteristics, asterisk characteristics, analysis of difference with other varieties and photographs



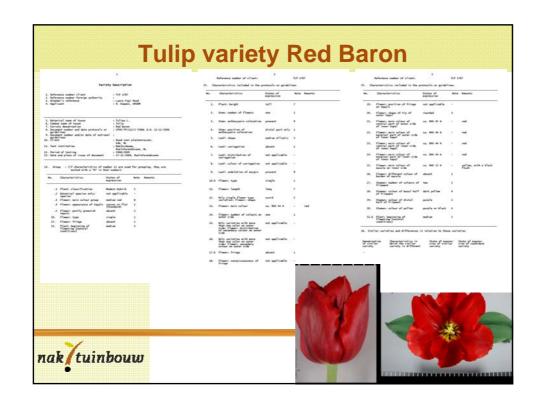
Availability of Variety descriptions



- The DUS test report itself is not available for the public.
- The variety description is in the Netherlands a public good.
- Variety descriptions are published on the website of Naktuinbouw, the Dutch examination office. Ornamental varieties with a photograph.







Publication of descriptions of parent lines





- Description of parent lines that are tested in the framework of an application of a hybrid variety are not published
- Hybrid formulas that in some cases are part of the variety descriptions of hybrids will not be published
- In general, reports that are taken over from an other examination office are not published



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