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| Technical Working Party for Vegetables  Fifty-Eighth Session Virtual meeting, April 22 to 26, 2024 | TWV/58/1  Original: English  Date: January 29, 2024 |

Draft agenda

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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Matters for discussion
4. Procedures for DUS examination (presentations invited)
5. Proposals for ring-tests (presentations invited)
6. Characteristics with single observation in multi-annual testing (presentations invited)
7. Acceptance of final reports based on variety descriptions with the same notes (presentations invited)
8. Reporting the absence of similar varieties in variety descriptions, Section 16 “Similar varieties and differences from these varieties” (presentations invited)
9. Assessing distinctness in disease resistance characteristics (document to be prepared by France and Netherlands (Kingdom of the))
10. Image analysis of vegetable crops (presentations invited)
11. Molecular techniques in variety examination (presentations invited)
12. Reports on existing policies on confidentiality of molecular information (presentations invited)
13. Experiences with new types and species (oral reports invited)
14. Discussions on draft Test Guidelines (Subgroups)

Full draft Test Guidelines

* \*Egg plant (*Solanum melongena* L.) (Revision) (document TG/117/5(proj.3)) (the European Union to prepare a document)
* Garlic (*Allium sativum* L.) (Revision) (document TG/162/4 Rev.) (France to prepare a document)
* Ginger (*Zingiber officinale* Rosc.) (Revision) (document TG/153/3) (Japan to prepare a document)
* Parsley (*Petroselinum crispum* (Mill.) Nyman ex A.W. Hill) (document TG/136/6(proj.1)) (Germany to prepare a document)

Partial revisions

* \*Asparagus (*Asparagus officinalis* L.) (Partial revision: Char. 16 “Type of flowering”) (document TG/130/4) (Japan to prepare a document)
* \*Cucumber, Gherkin (*Cucumis sativus* L.) (Partial revision: addition of resistance to Cucumber green mottle mosaic virus) (document TG/61/7 Rev. 2 Corr. 2) (Netherlands (Kingdom of the) to prepare a document)
* \*Lettuce (*Lactuca sativa* L.) (Partial revision: Resistance to *Bremia lactucae* Races 16EU to 27EU (chars. 38 to 47, including grouping characteristics); revision of *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *lactucae* Race 1; addition of Resistance to *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *lactucae* Race 4) (document TG/13/11 Rev. 2) (France to prepare a document)
* \*Maize (*Zea mays* L.) (Partial revision: Characteristics 24.1 and 24.2; Addition of new characteristics Tassel: sterility of male flowers and Secondary color of grain; addition of characteristic to TQ 5) (document TG/2/7) (Netherlands (Kingdom of the) to prepare a document)
* \*Pea (*Pisum sativum* L.) (Partial revision: addition of resistance to *Peronospora viciae* (Pv) (downy mildew)) (document TG/7/10 Rev. 2) (Netherlands (Kingdom of the) to prepare a document)

1. Recommendations on draft Test Guidelines
2. Matters for information
3. Reports from members and observers (reports invited)
4. Reports on developments within UPOV (general developments, including variety denominations, information databases, exchange and use of software and equipment)
5. Date and place of the next session
6. Future program
7. Adoption of the Report on the session (if time permits)
8. Closing of the session

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