

Technical Working Party for Vegetables
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REVISED DRAFT AGENDA
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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda

Matters for discussion

3. Procedures for DUS examination (document TWP/9/1)
 - (a) TGP documents
 - (i) Document TGP/5 “Experience and Cooperation in DUS Testing”, Section 6 “UPOV Report on Technical Examination and UPOV Variety Description” (Revision): Additional explanations for “UPOV report on technical examination and UPOV variety description” (document TGP/5, Section 6/5 (draft 1))
 - (ii) Document TGP/7 “Development of Test Guidelines” (revision): Situations where illustrations could complement or replace example varieties (document TWP/9/5)
 - (iii) Comments on guidance and information materials (document TWV/59/18)
 - (b) Characteristics observed in one growing cycle where the minimum duration of tests should normally be two independent growing cycles (document TWV/59/9)
 - (c) Court case of general interest: *Allium cepa* L. “SK20” (document TWV/59/8)
4. Assessing distinctness in disease resistance characteristics:
 - (a) Disease resistance characteristics in Test Guidelines (document TWV/59/11)
 - (b) Revision of the disease resistance characteristics in the EU (document TWV/59/10)
5. Information databases
 - Information on cooperation agreements for DUS examination (document TWP/9/2)
6. Molecular techniques in DUS examination (document TWP/9/1)
 - (a) Guidelines for the validation of characteristic-specific molecular marker protocol (document TWP/9/4)
 - (b) Reports on existing policies on confidentiality of molecular information (presentations invited)
7. Experiences with new types and species (oral reports invited)
8. Discussions on draft Test Guidelines
 - (a) Additional characteristics and states of expression (document TWP/9/3)
 - (b) Technical Committee subgroup on Test Guidelines (document TWP/9/3)
 - (c) Methods of propagating the variety (document TWP/9/3)

- (d) Matters to be resolved concerning Test Guidelines put forward for adoption by the Technical Committee: Cucumber, Gherkin (documents TG/61/7 Rev. 3 and TWV/59/12)
- (e) Full draft Test Guidelines
 - Asparagus (*Asparagus officinalis* L.) (Revision) (document TG/130/5(proj.1))
 - *Eggplant (*Solanum melongena* L.) (Revision) (document TG/117/5(proj.5))
 - Garlic (*Allium sativum* L.) (Revision) (document TG/162/5(proj.2))
 - Ginger (*Zingiber officinale* Rosc.) (Revision) (document TG/153/4(proj.2))
 - *Parsley (*Petroselinum crispum* (Mill.) Nyman ex A.W. Hill) (Revision) (document TG/136/6(proj.3))
- (f) Partial revisions
 - *Broccoli (*Brassica oleracea* L. var. *italica* Plenck) (Partial revision: to add new characteristic "Resistance to *Plasmodiophora brassicae* (Pb)" (clubroot)) (documents TG/151/5 Rev. and TWV/59/13)
 - *Brussels Sprouts (*Brassica oleracea* L. var. *gemmifera* DC.) (Partial revision: to add new characteristic "Resistance to *Plasmodiophora brassicae* (Pb)" (clubroot)) (documents TG/54/7 Rev. 2 and TWV/59/14)
 - *Cabbage (*Brassica oleracea* L.: *Brassica* (White Cabbage Group); *Brassica* (Savoy Cabbage Group); *Brassica* (Red Cabbage Group)) (Partial revision: to add new characteristic "Resistance to *Plasmodiophora brassicae* (Pb)" (clubroot)) (documents TG/48/7 Rev. 2 and TWV/59/15)
 - *Cauliflower (*Brassica oleracea* L. convar. *botrytis* (L.) Alef. var. *botrytis* L.) (Partial revision: to add new characteristic "Resistance to *Plasmodiophora brassicae* (Pb)" (clubroot); Revision of char. 28 "Male sterility"; TQ) (documents TG/45/7 Rev. 2 and TWV/59/16)
 - *Kohlrabi (*Brassica oleracea* L. convar. *acephala* (DC.) Alef. var. *gongylodes* L. (*Brassica oleracea* L. *Gongylodes* Group)) (Partial revision: to add new characteristic "Resistance to *Plasmodiophora brassicae* (Pb)" (clubroot)) (documents TG/65/4 Rev. 3 and TWV/59/17)
 - *Lettuce (*Lactuca sativa* L.) (Partial revision: Addition of *Bremia lactucae* Isolates BL: 36EU, BL: 38EU, BL: 39EU, BL: 40EU and other possible new isolates) (documents TG/13/11 Rev. 3) and TWV/59/6)
 - *Maize (*Zea mays* L.) (Partial revision: Characteristics 24.1 and 24.2; Addition of new characteristics: Tassel: sterility of male flowers, Secondary color of grain, Sweetness; addition of characteristic to TQ 5) (documents TG/2/7 Rev. and TWV/59/5-TWA/54/5)
 - *Shiitake (*Lentinula edodes* (Berk.) Pegler) (Partial revision: Char. 4 "Mycelium: growth rate at 10°C"; Char. 5 "Mycelium: growth rate at 15°C"; Char. 6 "Mycelium: growth rate at 20°C"; Char. 7 "Mycelium: growth rate at 25°C"; Char. 8 "Mycelium: growth rate at 30°C"; Char. 12 "Cap: height"; Char. 20 "Gill: width") (documents TG/282/1 Rev. and TWV/59/7)
 - *Tomato (*Solanum lycopersicum* L.) (Partial revision: to add race H to *Passalora fulva*; to add an alternative molecular marker method (using markers on I2) for resistance for *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *lycopersici* (Fol) (race 1EU/2US and 2EU/3US); to add an alternative molecular marker method for *Passalora fulva* (based on Cf4, Cf9, Cf2, Cf5) next to bio assay) (documents TG/44/12 and TWV/59/4)
 - *Tomato Rootstocks (Partial revision: *Meloidogyne incognita* (Nematodes): to change the states of expression (same as tomato) and control varieties (documents TG/294/1 Rev. 5 and TWV/59/3))

9. Recommendations on draft Test Guidelines

10. Date and place of the next session

11. Future program
12. Adoption of the report of the session (if time permits)

Matters for information

13. Reports from members and observers (document TWV/59/2)
14. Report on developments in UPOV (document TWP/9/1)
15. Closing of the session

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