

STATUS IN RELATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS (UPOV)

as of February 27, 2025

I. Members of UPOV

African Intellectual Property Organization ^{2,4}	Costa Rica ²	Italy ¹	Paraguay ¹	Trinidad and Tobago ¹
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Brazil ¹	Georgia ²	New Zealand ¹	Slovakia ²	
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Canada ²	Ghana ²	Nigeria ^{2,5}	South Africa ¹	(Total 80)
Chile ¹	Hungary ²	North Macedonia ²	Spain ²	
China ¹	Iceland ²	Norway ¹	Sweden ²	
Colombia ¹	Ireland ²	Oman ²	Switzerland ²	
	Israel ²	Panama ²		

¹ 1978 Act is the latest Act by which 17 States are bound.

² 1991 Act is the latest Act by which 61 States and 2 organizations are bound.

³ Operates a plant breeders' rights system which covers the territory of its 27 member States (*Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands (Kingdom of), Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden*).

⁴ Operates a plant breeders' rights system which covers the territory of its 17 member States (*Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, Togo*).

⁵ Nigeria will become bound by the 1991 Act on March 27, 2025.

II. States and intergovernmental organizations which have initiated the procedure for acceding to the UPOV Convention

States (18):

Afghanistan, Brunei Darussalam, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Kazakhstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mongolia, Myanmar, Philippines, Tajikistan, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Zimbabwe

Organization (1):

African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)

(member States of ARIPO (22): *Botswana, Cabo Verde, Eswatini, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, Seychelles, Somalia, Sudan, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe*)

III. States and intergovernmental organizations which have been in contact with the Office of the Union for assistance in the development of laws based on the UPOV Convention

States (28):

Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahrain, Barbados, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cuba, Cyprus, El Salvador, Gambia, Indonesia, Iraq, Libya, Liechtenstein, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Pakistan, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles, Sudan, Suriname, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Turkmenistan and Zambia

Organization (1):

Southern African Development Community (SADC)

(member States of SADC (15): *Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe*)



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