

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

### **1.1 What is the name of your organisation?**

Plantum NL; the answers in this questionnaire relate specifically to vegetable plants and strawberries

### **1.2 What stakeholder group does your organisation belong to?**

Breeder of S&PM; Supplier of S&PM; Other

#### **1.2.1 Please specify**

Plantum NL is the Dutch association representing the interests of companies who are active in breeding, tissue culture, the production and trade of seeds and young plants. Plantum NL has about 400 members with activities in agricultural, horticultural and ornamental species.

### **1.3 Please write down the address (postal, e-mail, telephone, fax and web page if available) of your organisation**

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## **2. PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION**

### **2.1 Are the problems defined correctly in the context of S&PM marketing?**

No opinion

### **2.2 Have certain problems been overlooked?**

No opinion

#### **2.2.1 Please state which one(s)**

### **2.3 Are certain problems underestimated or overly emphasized?**

No opinion

#### **2.3.1 Please indicate the problems that have not been estimated rightly**

### **2.4 Other suggestions or remarks**

The issues of vegetable plants and strawberries were rarely discussed in the document. We assume that regulation of young plants, which was already limited, is not deemed necessary. The document does not really deal with vegetable plants and strawberries, therefore difficult to judge

## **3. OBJECTIVES OF THE REVIEW**

### **3.1 Are the objectives defined correctly in the context of S&PM marketing?**

No opinion

### **3.2 Have certain objectives been overlooked?**

No opinion

#### **3.2.1 Please state which one(s)**

### **3.3 Are certain objectives inappropriate?**

No opinion

#### **3.3.1 Please state which one(s)**

**3.4 Is it possible to have a regime whereby a variety is considered as being automatically registered in an EU catalogue as soon as a variety protection title is granted by CPVO?**

No opinion

**3.5 If there is a need to prioritise the objectives, which should be the most important ones? (Please rank 1 to 5, 1 being first priority)**

**Ensure availability of healthy high quality seed and propagating material**

**Secure the functioning of the internal market for seed and propagating material**

**Empower users by informing them about seed and propagating material**

**Contribute to improve biodiversity, sustainability and favour innovation**

**Promote plant health and support agriculture, horticulture and forestry**

**3.6 Other suggestions and remarks**

The document does not really deal with vegetable plants and strawberries, therefore difficult to judge. As to question 3.5: All the objectives listed in the table are important but we feel uncomfortable with this question as it might give a misperception of the priorities as understood by the industry.

**4. OPTIONS FOR CHANGE**

**4.1 Are the scenarios defined correctly in the context of S&PM marketing?**

No

**4.2 Have certain scenarios been overlooked?**

Yes

**4.2.1 Please state which one(s)**

The optimal scenario is not included for the vegetable plants and strawberries. It is not clear if whether vegetable plants and strawberries will still be regulated or not.

**4.3 Are certain scenarios unrealistic?**

Yes

**4.3.1 Please state which one(s) and why**

There is no scenario that seems to be really related to vegetable plants and strawberries

**4.4 Do you agree with the reasoning leading to the discard of the "no-changes" and the "abolishment" scenarios?**

Yes

**4.5 Other suggestions and remarks**

**5. ASSESSMENT OF OPTIONS**

**5.1 Are the impacts correctly analysed in the context of S&PM marketing?**

No

**5.2 Have certain impacts been overlooked?**

Yes

**5.2.1 Please state which one(s)**

The impacts are filled in in a very subjective manner; with regard to vegetable plants and strawberries there is not much said.

**5.3 Are certain impacts underestimated or overly emphasized?**

Underestimated

**5.3.1 Please provide evidence or data to support your assessment:**

The impacts are filled in in a very subjective manner; with regard to vegetable plants and strawberries there is not much said.

**5.4 How do you rate the proportionality of a generalised traceability/labelling and fit-for-purpose requirement (as set out in scenario 4)?**

No opinion

**5.5 How do you assess the possible impact of the various scenarios on your organisation or on the stakeholders that your organisation represents?**

**Scenario 1**

Don't know

**Scenario 2**

Don't know

**Scenario 3**

Fairly beneficial

**Scenario 4**

Don't know

**Scenario 5**

Don't know

**5.5.1 Please state your reasons for your answers above, where possible providing evidence or data to support your assessment:**

The position of young plants and fruit plants does not become clear in the scenarios. They are not covered in the document at all. We plead for deregulation of young plants and strawberry plants for certification and inspection together with ornamentals as in scenario 3. The plant health regime gives enough guarantees for phytosanitary quality. As quality aspects for young plants are determined in the market, it is not necessary to have additional criteria in the EU legislation on S&PM. The quality of the material is only a matter between the supplier and customer, and needs no government control.

**6. ASSESSMENT OF SCENARIOS**

**6.1 Which scenario or combination of scenarios would best meet the objectives of the review of the legislation?**

Scenario with new features

**6.1.1 What are your views with regards to combining elements from the various scenarios into a new scenario?**

**6.1.1 Please explain the new scenario in terms of key features**

Scenario 3 is closest to the needs of the vegetable plant and strawberries sector. There is no need for regulated quality requirements.

**6.2 Do you agree with the comparison of the scenarios in the light of the potential to achieve the objectives?**

No opinion

**6.2.1 Please explain:**

**7. OTHER COMMENTS**

**7.1 Further written comments on the seeds and propagating material review:**

**7.2 Please make reference here to any available data/documents that support your answer, or indicate sources where such data/documents can be found:**

