# SUMMARY REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE EXPERT GROUP ON PLANT REPRODUCTIVE MATERIAL LEGISLATION - Working Group on heterogeneous material (populations)

## **14 November 2013**

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Experts from the following Member States were present: BE, DE, DK, FR, IE, NL, MT, PL, SL and UK. Expert from CPVO and JRC participated too.

## 1. Temporary experiment

A revised working document on the temporary experiment on populations was discussed with a view to prepare an advanced document for the next SCS meeting in December 2013. In particular following issues were raised: scope, authorisation, identification, maintenance, quantitative restrictions, official controls, comparative field trials, collection of information to evaluate the results of the experiment.

#### 2. JRCs contribution to studies

It seems not to be possible to organise a temporary experiment in a way to collect data for a socio-economic study by JRC. Descriptive data (e.g. valuation by users) should be collected. In the framework of the JRC study a review of existing scientific data on populations would be useful.

# 3. Planning of a seminar

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## 4. Legal framework – draft proposal on Regulation on plant reproductive material

A first attempt of a positive definition of heterogeneous material was discussed with the aim to present a proposal for the next Council Working Party on Agricultural questions/PRM proposal. The revised definition will be shared and discussed via emails in the WG.