



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
HEALTH AND CONSUMERS DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

**Expert group on legislation of seed and plant propagating material -  
Working Group on "PLANT VARIETY RIGHTS"**

International cooperation system for plant variety protections

**WEDNESDAY 21 JANUARY 2015**

**AGENDA**

1. Preparation of the next meeting of UPOV and information on International Cooperation Systems.
  - Brief summary of the ISF/CIOPORA/cropLife proposal.
  - Presentations on existing cooperation systems for patents, trademarks and designs.
  - First analysis on the potential development of a similar system in UPOV, in particular:
    - (i) Rationale of such international cooperation system
    - (ii) Aims
    - (iii) Possible procedures, place of national examination offices and CPVO and role of the UPOV office
    - (iv) Information sharing and cooperation
    - (v) Quality of granted protection titles
    - (vi) Advantages and disadvantages for breeders, for examination offices, for CPVO, for UPOV, for the public
    - (vii) Incentives for applicants to use the cooperation system.
2. Any other business