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Updates

Amendments to the Plant Variety Protection (PVP) Act and Rules that took effect on 30 July 2014.

Key Amendments to the Act:

- extend the application of the PVP Act to *all* genera and species ;
- enable the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) as Registrar of Plant Varieties to engage the services of examination authorities from other countries to examine applications of new plant varieties.

Other Updates

- IPOS recently appointed the Korea Seed & Variety Service (KSVS) as an Examiner under the PVP Act.

Cooperation Activities



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Countries Participated

- Brunei
- Cambodia
- China
- Indonesia
- Japan
- Korea (Host, Busan)
- Laos
- Malaysia
- Myanmar
- Philippines
- Singapore (Lead)
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- Vietnam

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Focus For The Year & Action Plan

- Increase awareness of PVP regime amongst breeders, related industries and IP agents.
- Study trips to learn best practices and established processes.
- Cooperation with other PV Offices to assist with technical examination.
- Securing of Examiners to perform technical examination.

Thank You.

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