

DEVELOPMENTS IN UPOV

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OVERVIEW

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New members

Montenegro

September 24, 2015

United Republic of Tanzania

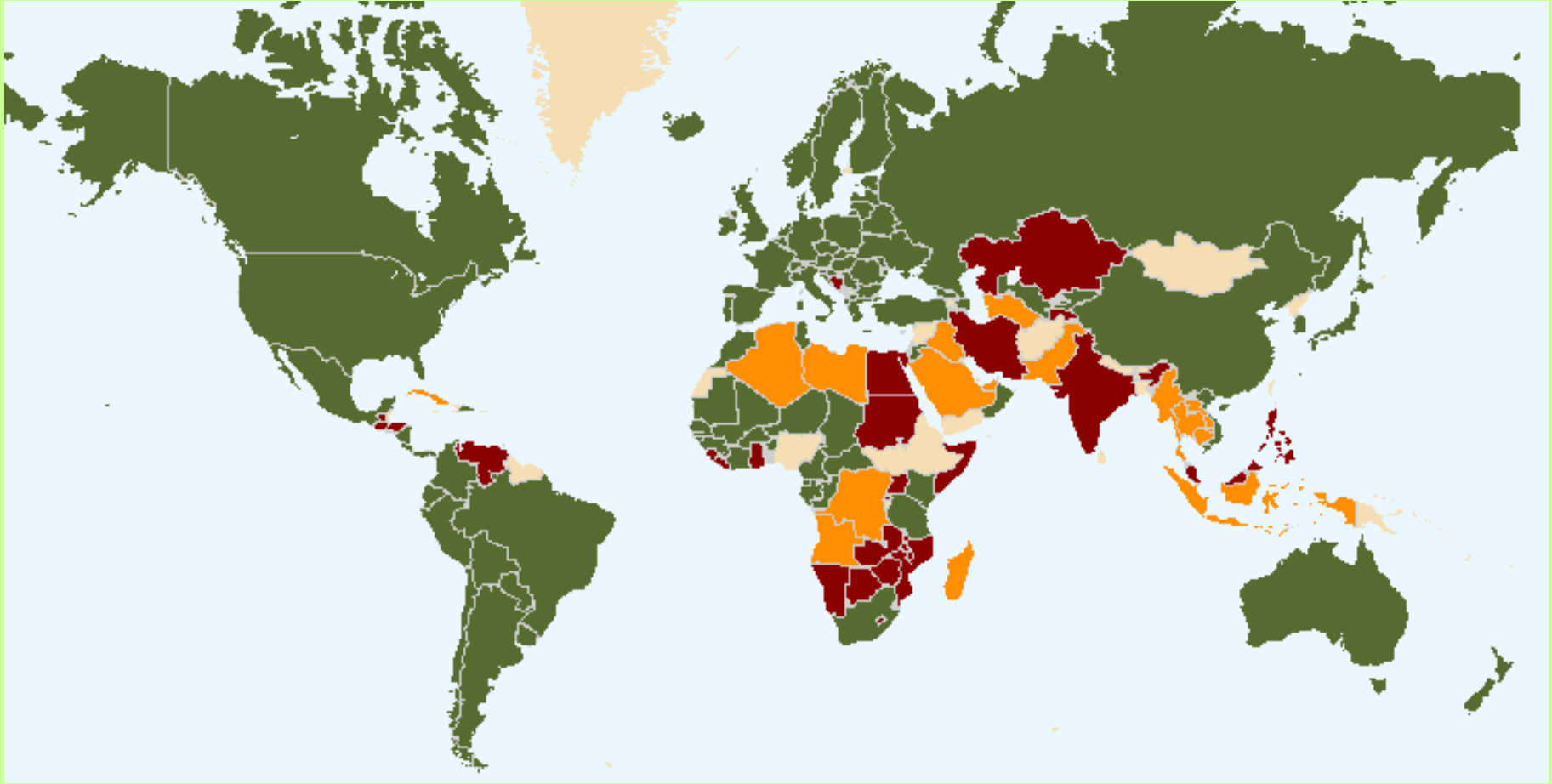
November 22, 2015

SITUATION in UPOV

Examination of Laws by UPOV Council

		<u>Advice</u>
Islamic Republic of Iran	October 2015	Amendments recommended

UPOV status (August 2016)

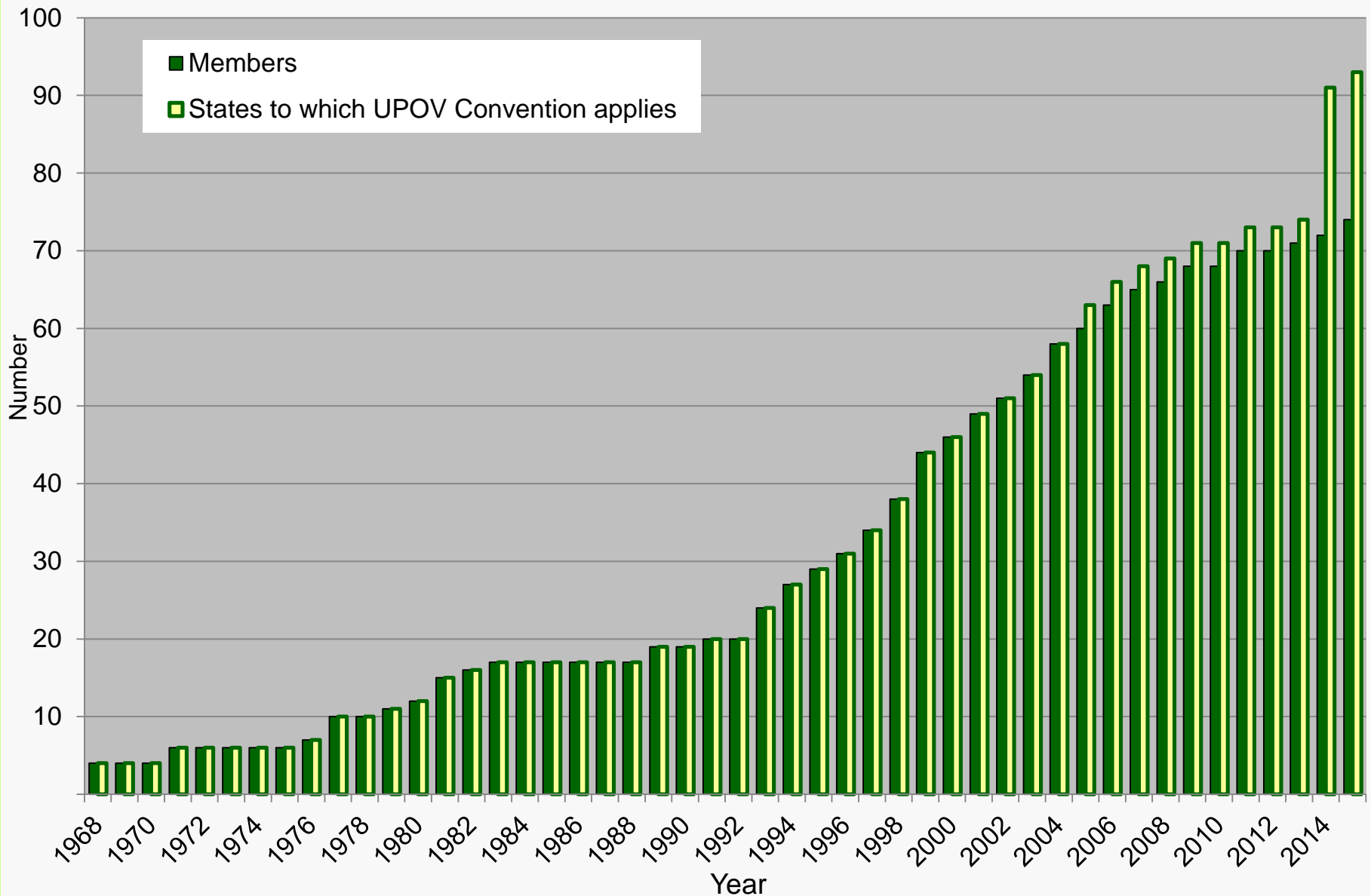


Members of UPOV (74)

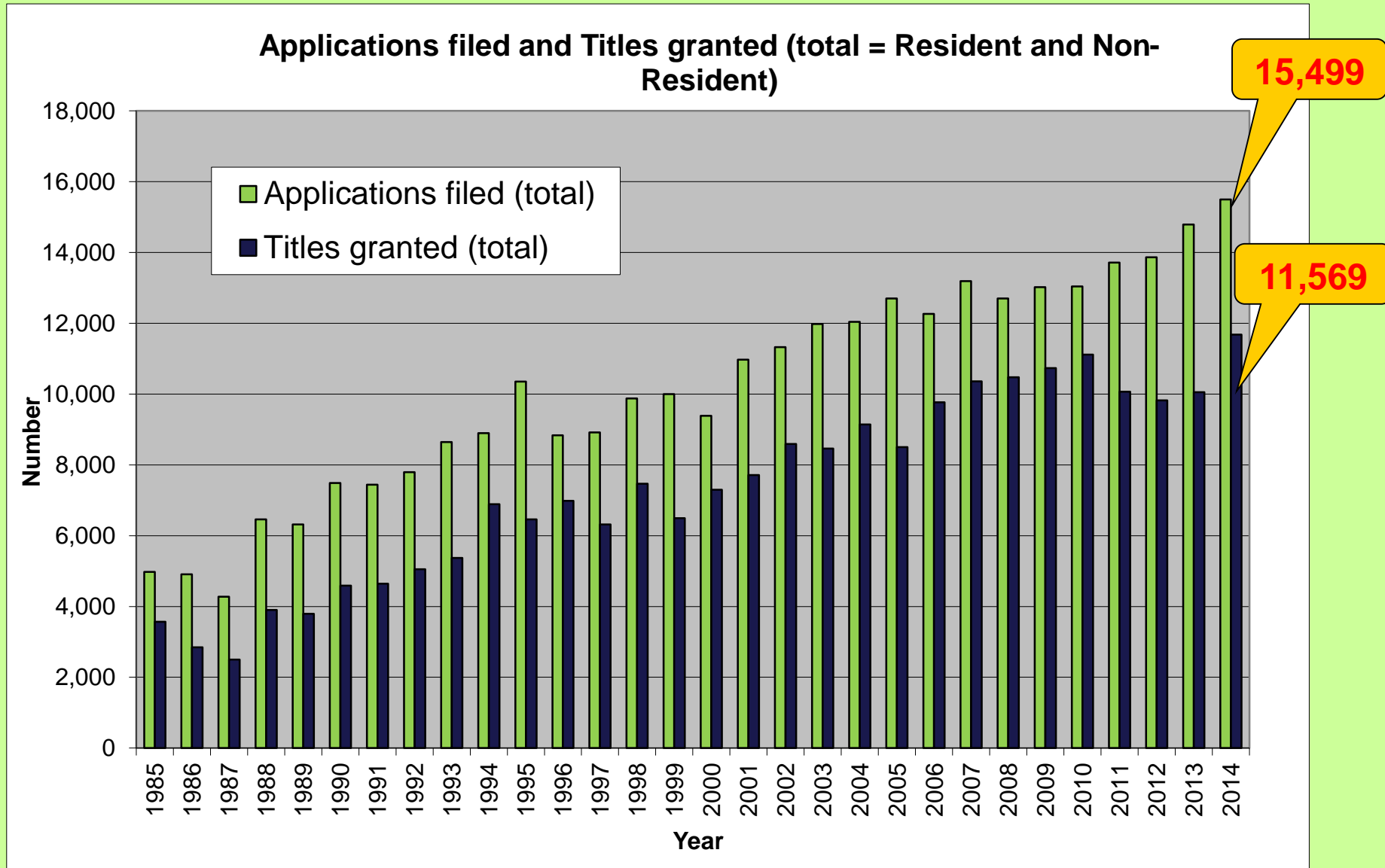
Initiating States (15) and Organization (1)

States (23) and Organization (1) in contact with the UPOV Office

Development of UPOV

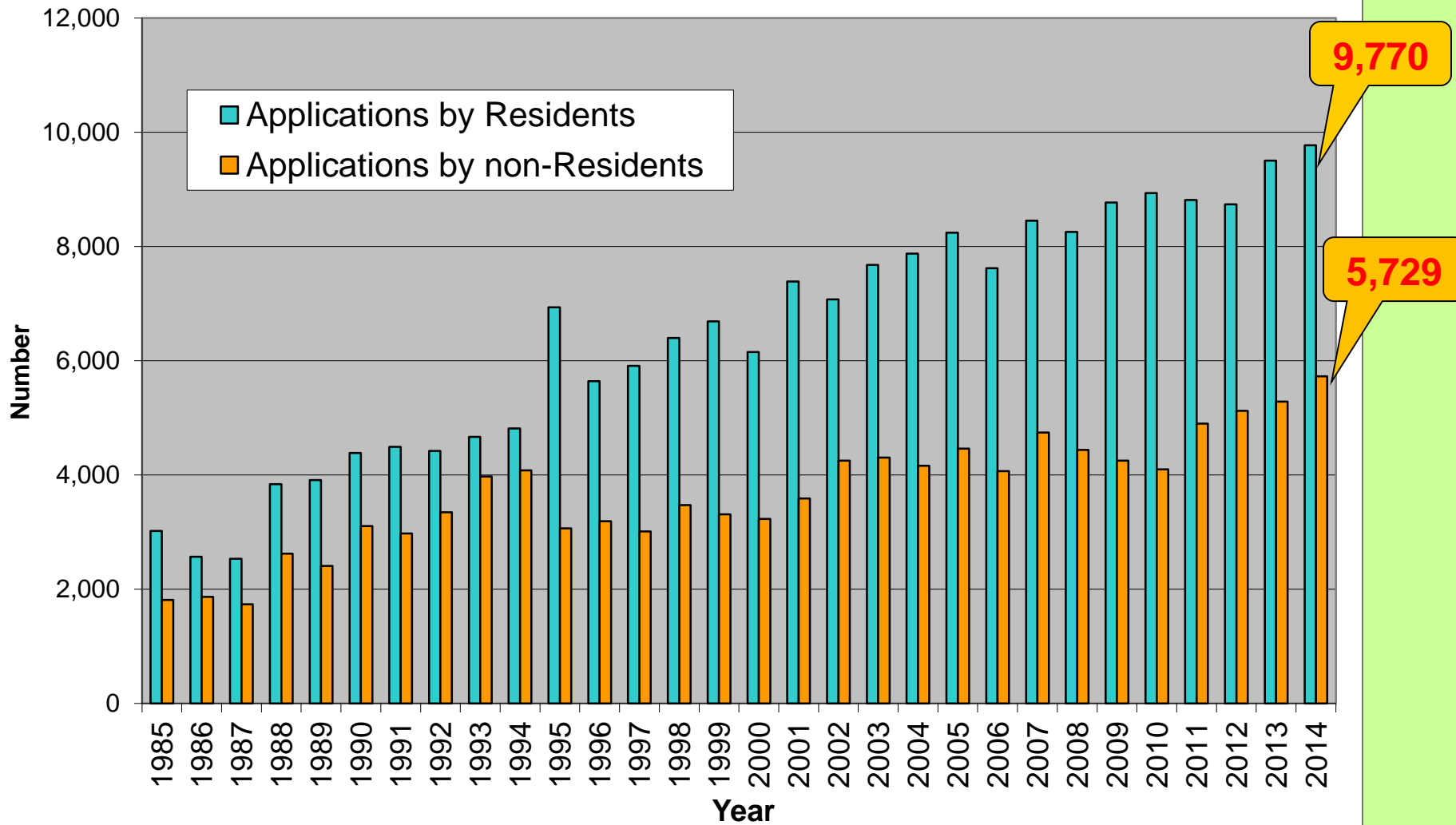


Applications filed / Titles granted (document C/49/7)



Applications by Resident / Non-Resident (document C/49/7)

Applications by Resident/Non-Resident



1991 Act

Canada

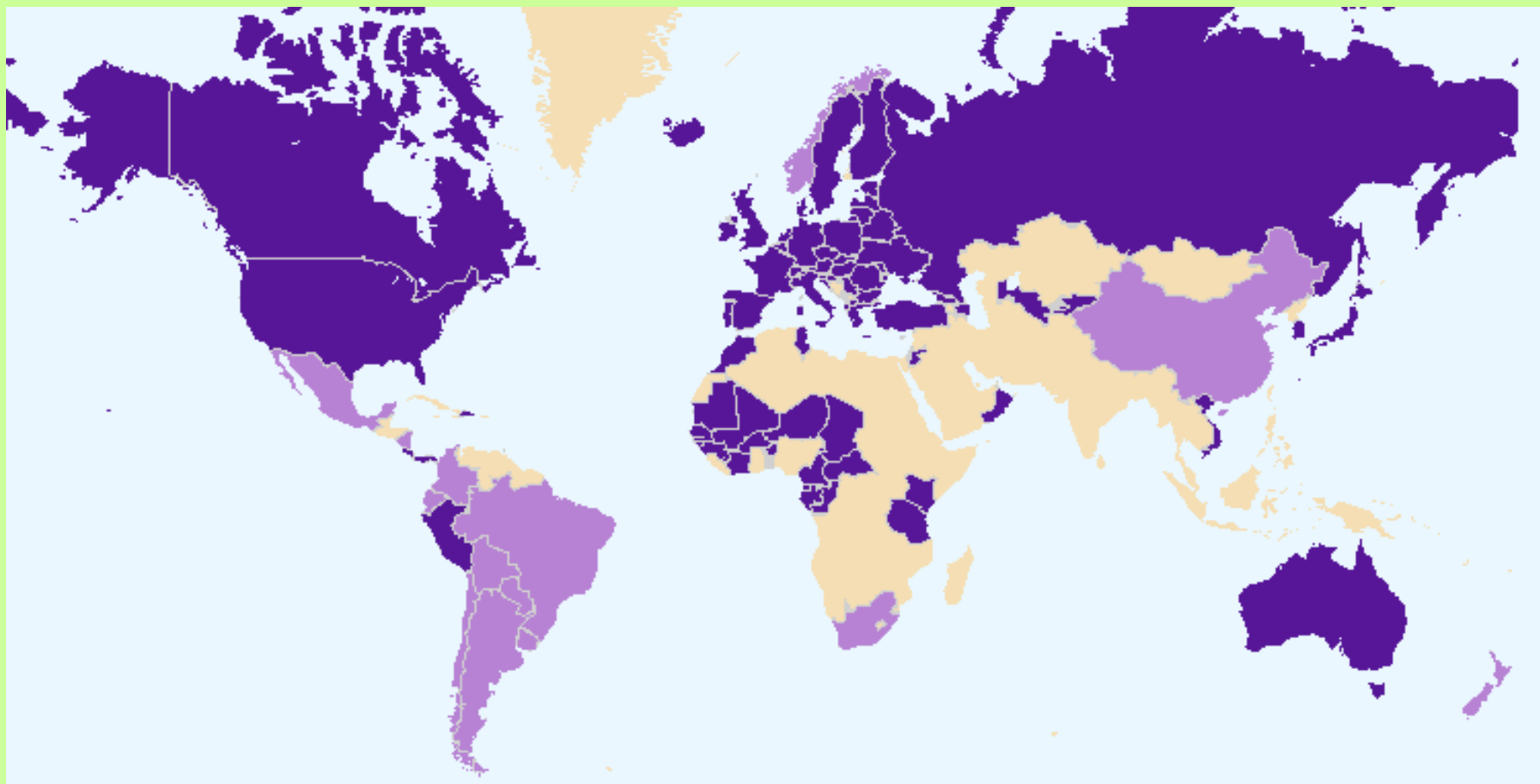
Ratification: June 2015

Kenya

Accession: April 2016

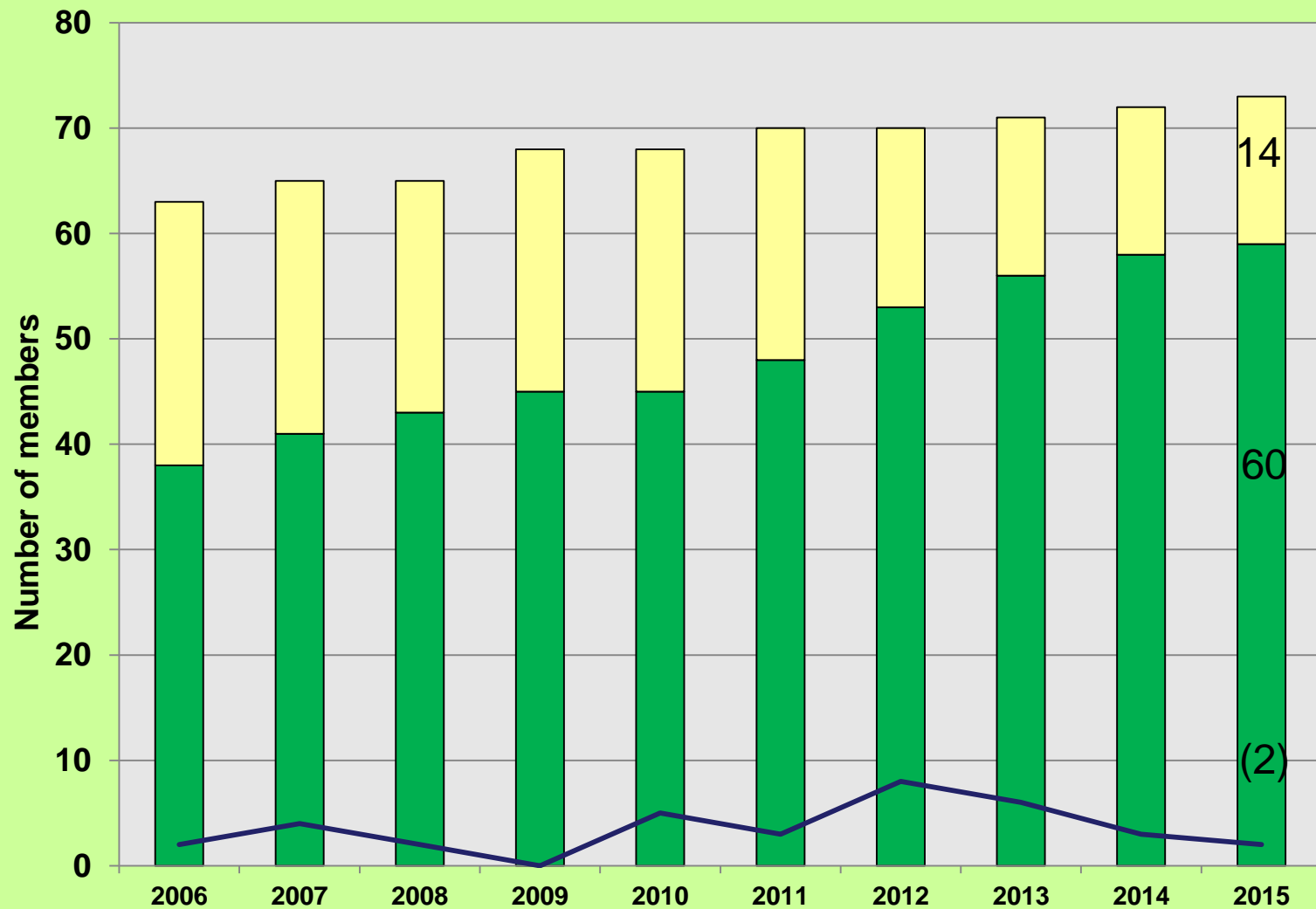
UPOV Membership Territories covered

1991 Act: 56 members – Other Acts: 18 members



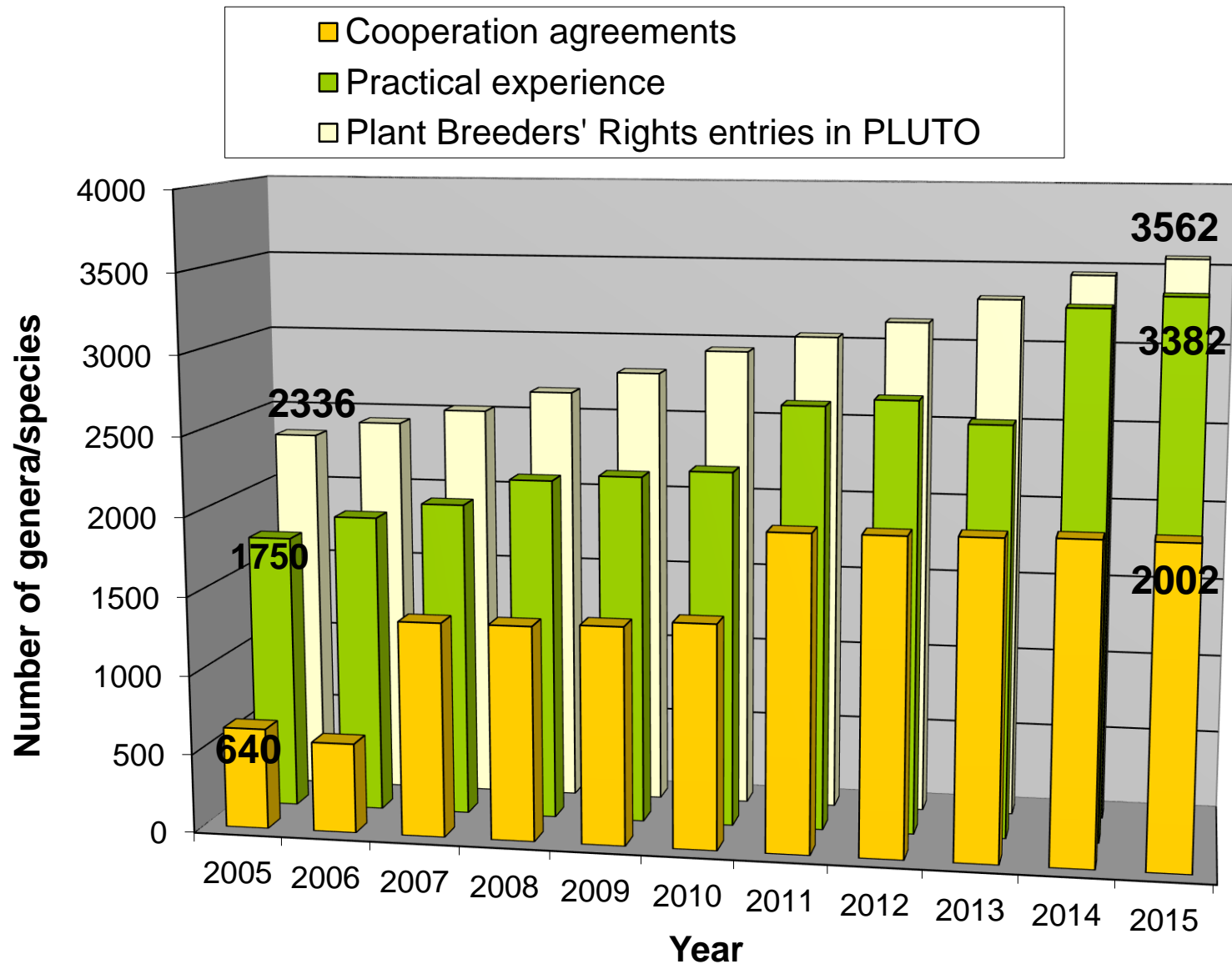
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Taxa protected by the members of the Union (C/49/6)



- Number of members offering protection to a limited number of plant genera and species
- Number of members offering protection to all plant genera and species
- Number of members extending protection to additional plant genera and species

Cooperation in examination (C/49/5)



TEST GUIDELINES ADOPTED IN 2016

<u>5 NEW TEST GUIDELINES</u>		
Drafter	TWP	English
BR	TWF	Coconut
NZ	TWO	Cordyline, Cabbage Tree, Torquay Palm
MX	TWF	Avocado; Coyo avocado (rootstock)
ZA	TWO	Plectranthus, Spur Flower
JP	TWO	Salvia, Sage

<u>2 REVISIONS OF TEST GUIDELINES</u>		
Drafter	TWP	English
DE	TWV	Basil
DE	TWO	Calibrachoa

TEST GUIDELINES ADOPTED IN 2015

<u>9 PARTIAL REVISIONS OF TEST GUIDELINES</u>		
Drafter	TWP	English
NL	TWV	Cauliflower
NL	TWV	Cabbage
NL	TWV	Brussels Sprouts
NL	TWV	Spinach
DE	TWV	Black Radish
NL	TWV	Kohlrabi
NL	TWV	Curly Kale
NL	TWV	Calabrese, Sprouting Broccoli
QZ	TWV	Tomato Rootstocks

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UPOV Sessions: October 2016

Monday (26)	Tuesday	Wednesday (28)	Thursday	Friday
Seminar on Propagating & Harvested Material	CAJ	Symposium on possible interrelations between the ITPGRFA and the UPOV Convention	CC	Council

New videos on UPOV website

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Benefits of the UPOV System



NEW [Video](#): PVP in Ecuador



NEW [Video](#): PVP in Uruguay

Use of Plant Variety Protection by the Faculty of Agronomy of the 'Universidad de la Republica' of Uruguay
Transcriptions: [FR](#), [DE](#)

Available at:

http://www.upov.int/about/en/benefits_upov_system.html

Distance Learning Courses (DL-205 and DL-305)

Two sessions of each of the following UPOV Distance Learning Courses will be run concurrently in 2016:

- DL-205 “Introduction to the UPOV System of Plant Variety Protection under the UPOV Convention”
 - DL-305 “Examination of applications for plant breeders’ rights”
- DL-305A “Administration of Plant Breeders’ Rights” (Part A of DL-305)
 - DL-305B “DUS Examination” (Part B of DL-305)

The timetable

Session I – 2016

Registration: January 1 to February 7

Study period: February 15 to March 20

Final exam: March 14 to 20

Session II – 2016

Registration: August 15 to September 18

Study period: September 25 to October 30

Final exam: October 24 to 30

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PBR Application- how it works today

MANUAL Form

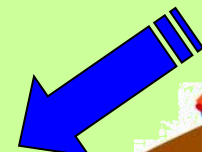
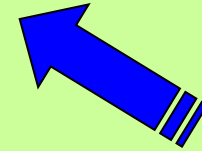
TOPIC: Section 23 page 23		
UPOV MODEL FORM FOR THE APPLICATION FOR PLANT BREEDER'S RIGHTS		
Applicant's name (applicant or first)	NOTE: First mention the surname	(last name) (Date of receipt)
1. (1) Applicant: Name: Address: City: Country:	(1) State the address to which correspondence is to be sent of different times (1-2) Name: Address: City: Country:	
2. Telephone No. (1) Fax No. (1) E-mail address: (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9) (10) (11) (12) (13) (14) (15) (16) (17) (18) (19) (20) (21) (22) (23) (24) (25) (26) (27) (28) (29) (30) (31) (32) (33) (34) (35) (36) (37) (38) (39) (40) (41) (42) (43) (44) (45) (46) (47) (48) (49) (50) (51) (52) (53) (54) (55) (56) (57) (58) (59) (60) (61) (62) (63) (64) (65) (66) (67) (68) (69) (70) (71) (72) (73) (74) (75) (76) (77) (78) (79) (80) (81) (82) (83) (84) (85) (86) (87) (88) (89) (90) (91) (92) (93) (94) (95) (96) (97) (98) (99) (100) (101) (102) (103) (104) (105) (106) (107) (108) (109) (110) (111) (112) (113) (114) (115) (116) (117) (118) (119) (120) (121) (122) (123) (124) (125) (126) (127) (128) (129) (130) (131) (132) (133) (134) (135) (136) (137) (138) (139) (140) (141) (142) (143) (144) (145) (146) (147) (148) (149) (150) (151) (152) (153) (154) (155) (156) (157) (158) (159) (160) (161) (162) (163) (164) (165) (166) (167) (168) (169) (170) (171) (172) (173) (174) (175) (176) (177) (178) (179) (180) (181) (182) (183) (184) (185) (186) (187) (188) (189) (190) (191) (192) (193) (194) (195) (196) (197) (198) (199) (200) (201) (202) (203) (204) (205) (206) (207) (208) (209) (210) (211) (212) (213) (214) (215) (216) (217) (218) (219) (220) (221) (222) (223) (224) (225) (226) (227) (228) (229) (230) (231) (232) (233) (234) (235) (236) (237) (238) (239) (240) (241) (242) (243) (244) (245) (246) (247) (248) (249) (250) (251) (252) (253) (254) (255) (256) (257) (258) (259) (260) (261) (262) (263) (264) (265) (266) (267) (268) (269) (270) (271) (272) (273) (274) (275) (276) (277) (278) (279) (280) (281) (282) (283) (284) (285) (286) (287) (288) (289) (290) (291) (292) (293) (294) (295) (296) (297) (298) (299) (300) (301) (302) (303) (304) (305) (306) (307) (308) (309) (310) (311) (312) (313) (314) (315) (316) (317) (318) (319) (320) (321) (322) (323) (324) (325) (326) (327) (328) (329) (330) (331) (332) (333) (334) (335) (336) (337) (338) (339) (340) (341) (342) (343) (344) (345) (346) (347) (348) (349) (350) (351) (352) (353) (354) (355) (356) (357) (358) (359) (360) (361) (362) (363) (364) (365) (366) (367) (368) (369) (370) (371) (372) (373) (374) (375) (376) (377) (378) (379) (380) (381) (382) (383) (384) (385) (386) (387) (388) (389) (390) (391) (392) (393) (394) (395) (396) (397) (398) (399) (400) (401) (402) (403) (404) (405) (406) (407) (408) (409) (410) (411) (412) (413) (414) (415) (416) (417) (418) (419) (420) (421) (422) (423) (424) (425) (426) (427) (428) (429) (430) (431) (432) (433) (434) (435) (436) (437) (438) (439) (440) (441) (442) (443) (444) (445) (446) (447) (448) (449) (450) (451) (452) (453) (454) (455) (456) (457) (458) (459) (460) (461) (462) (463) (464) (465) (466) (467) (468) (469) (470) (471) (472) (473) (474) (475) (476) (477) (478) (479) (480) (481) (482) (483) (484) (485) (486) (487) (488) (489) (490) (491) (492) (493) (494) (495) (496) (497) (498) (499) (500) (501) (502) (503) (504) (505) (506) (507) (508) (509) (510) (511) (512) (513) (514) (515) (516) (517) (518) (519) (520) (521) (522) (523) (524) (525) (526) (527) (528) (529) (530) (531) (532) (533) (534) (535) (536) (537) (538) (539) (540) (541) (542) (543) (544) (545) (546) (547) (548) (549) (550) (551) (552) (553) (554) (555) (556) (557) (558) (559) (560) (561) (562) (563) (564) (565) (566) (567) (568) (569) (570) (571) (572) (573) (574) (575) (576) (577) (578) (579) (580) (581) (582) (583) (584) (585) (586) (587) (588) (589) (590) (591) (592) (593) (594) (595) (596) (597) (598) (599) (600) (601) (602) (603) (604) (605) (606) (607) (608) (609) (610) (611) (612) (613) (614) (615) (616) (617) (618) (619) (620) (621) (622) (623) (624) (625) (626) (627) (628) (629) (630) (631) (632) (633) (634) (635) (636) (637) (638) (639) (640) (641) (642) (643) (644) (645) (646) (647) (648) (649) (650) (651) (652) (653) (654) (655) (656) (657) (658) (659) (660) (661) (662) (663) (664) (665) (666) (667) (668) (669) (670) (671) (672) (673) (674) (675) (676) (677) (678) (679) (680) (681) (682) (683) (684) (685) (686) (687) (688) (689) (690) (691) (692) (693) (694) (695) (696) (697) (698) (699) (700) (701) (702) (703) (704) (705) (706) (707) (708) (709) (710) (711) (712) (713) (714) (715) (716) (717) (718) (719) (720) (721) (722) (723) (724) (725) (726) (727) (728) (729) (730) (731) (732) (733) (734) (735) (736) (737) (738) (739) (740) (741) (742) (743) (744) (745) (746) (747) (748) (749) (750) (751) (752) (753) (754) (755) (756) (757) (758) (759) (760) (761) (762) (763) (764) (765) (766) (767) (768) (769) (770) (771) (772) (773) (774) (775) (776) (777) (778) (779) (780) (781) (782) (783) (784) (785) (786) (787) (788) (789) (790) (791) (792) (793)		

Authority A

ELECTRONIC Form

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Authority B

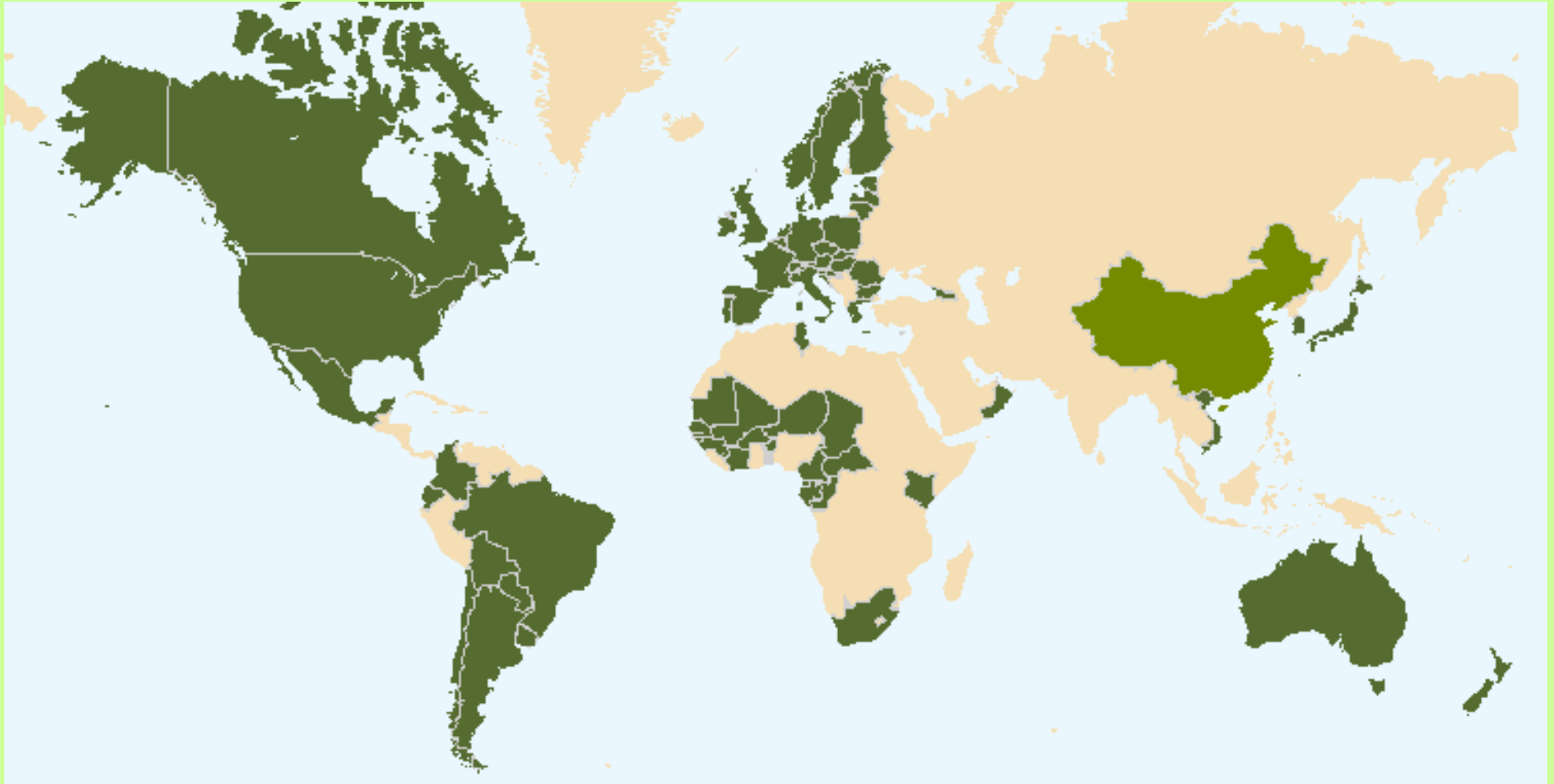
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Background

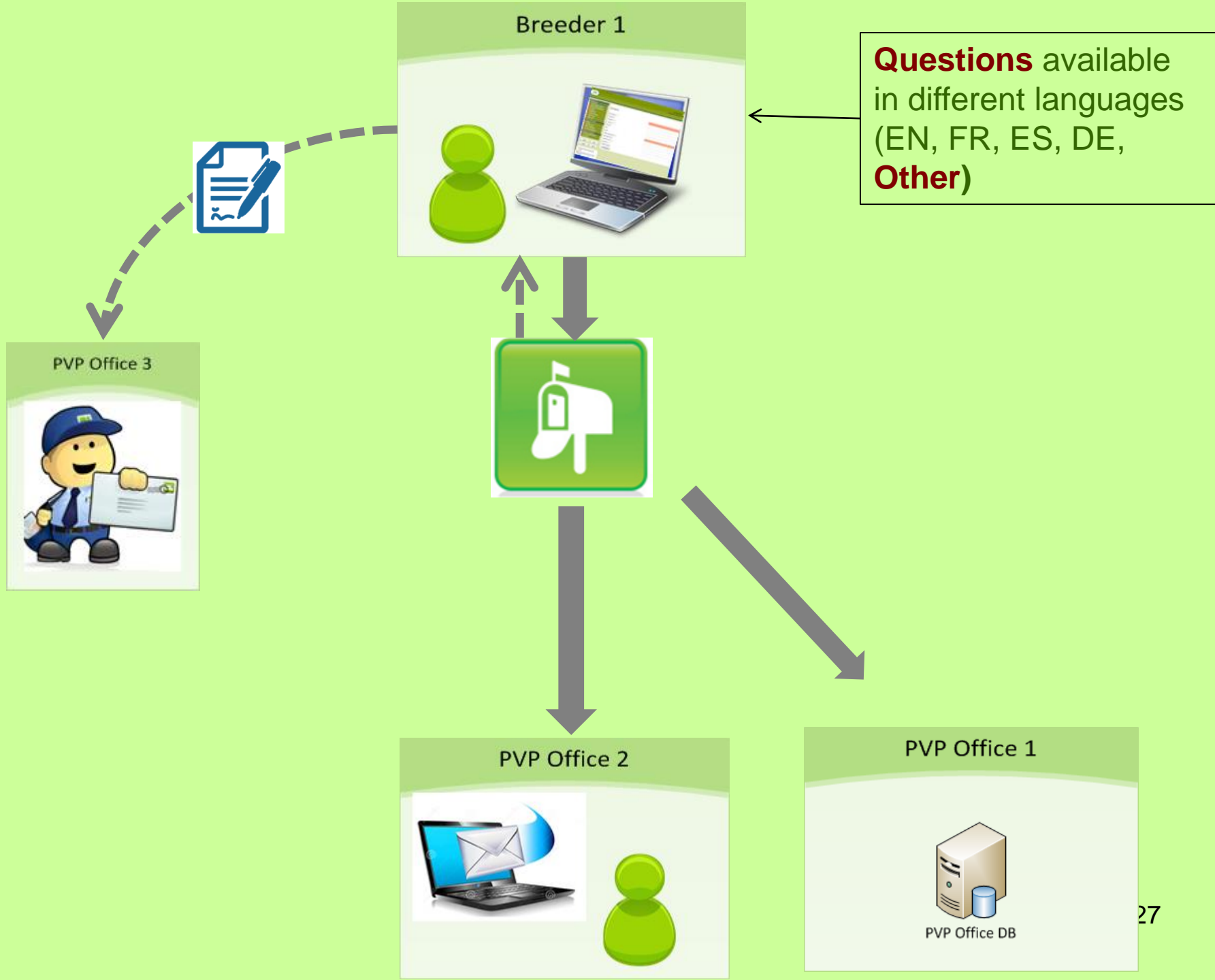
The original description of the aim of the project on a prototype electronic form was to develop a multilingual, electronic form containing questions relevant for plant breeders' rights (PBRs) applications.

The aim of the prototype would be to develop an electronic form covering all relevant information required for a PBR application (including Technical Questionnaire) in the members of the Union concerned and with questions translated in the relevant languages for the members of the Union concerned.

Participating UPOV members in the EAF project



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Breeder 2



Breeder DB

Breeder 1



TRANSFER OPTIONS

Regular Mail

Hard Paper



E-mail

1. XML and/or PDF
2. Link to download application data (SFTP * Server)



System to System

XML

* Secure File Transfer Protocol

Benefits of the EAF system

1. Multilingual system: possibility for applicants to **read all questions in all languages of participating members**
2. Offer the possibility for applicants to **reuse existing application data** for subsequent applications
3. Provide and **electronic PVP system** for **participating members who don't have one**

Prototype Electronic Application Form **Version 2 (PV2)**

Functioning system by October 2016

Including:

Scaling-up of the system, i.e. addition of
further crops, languages and PVP Offices,
and

**Enable implementation by participating
PVP Offices** for the application process (filing,
authorization, payment, submission...) **for the
selected crops**

Supported crops in PV2

Crops	Priority*
Rose (17)	1
Soya Bean (20)	1
Lettuce (19)	2
Apple Fruit Varieties (18)	2
Potato (18)	3

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UPOV activities within the Region

- High Level Study Tour (Japan)

How PBR benefits farmers

July 24 to 29, 2016

11 participants from 6 countries

e.g. branding strategy on “**Tsuyahime**” rice variety by Yamagata pref., based on PBR

High Level Study Tour (Japan, July 2016)



Koshihikari

Tsuyahime

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Tsuyahime Village



Experienced Tsuyahime producers targets the finest

Rice variety “Tsuyahime”



- High quality variety (good taste)
- Yamagata prefectural government holds the plant breeder's right
- Royalty free for Yamagata farmers, royalty paid by other farmers
- Location and agronomy (less fertilizer and pesticide) controlled to maintain quality (= high market price)
- Increased farmers' income

Activities within the Region

- APEC Intellectual Property Experts Group Seminar on Plant Variety Protection under UPOV 91 focusing on Benefits to SMEs
August 17, 2016

Items discussed:

- Advantages and challenges to joining UPOV91
- Creative ideas on how to overcome challenges
- Policies to promote further innovation in new plant varieties
- What kinds of outreach and training is most helpful to encourage accession to UPOV 1991, etc.