

Report of the Pilot project for EAPVP Regional Mechanism

Agenda item 6

EAPVP Pilot Project
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OUTLINES OF THE PRESENTATION

- BACKGROUND
- PILOT PROJECT MEETINGS
- FRAMEWORK OF THE PILOT PROJECT AND REGIONAL
MECHANISM

EAPVP Pilot Project Launched

The 11th Forum Annual Meeting (2018)

Pilot project for building regional harmonized PVP mechanism (Sep 2018 – 2022)

- Proposed by Vietnam and Japan
- Forum adopted the launch of the EAPVP Pilot Project

PILOT PROJECT MEETINGS

First meeting for Pilot Project



- Held in Hanoi, VN on October 11, 2018
- 10 participants from JP, MM, MY, VN
- Resource partners: UPOV Office

PILOT PROJECT MEETINGS

Second meeting for Pilot Project



- Held in Vung Tau, VN on February 27-28, 2019
- 15 participants from JP, MM, MY, VN
- Resource partners: UPOV Office
- Information provided by BN and SG

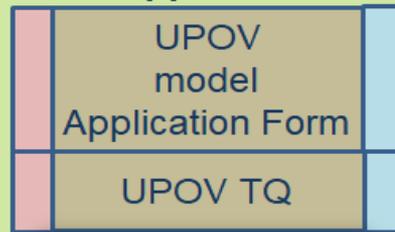
Aim of the EAPVP Regional Mechanism

- ✓ Enable breeders to file one Regional Application to PVP Offices of Participating country through UPOV PRISMA
- ✓ Enhance DUS cooperation by regional platform which using UPOV PRISMA

Any breeder in the world



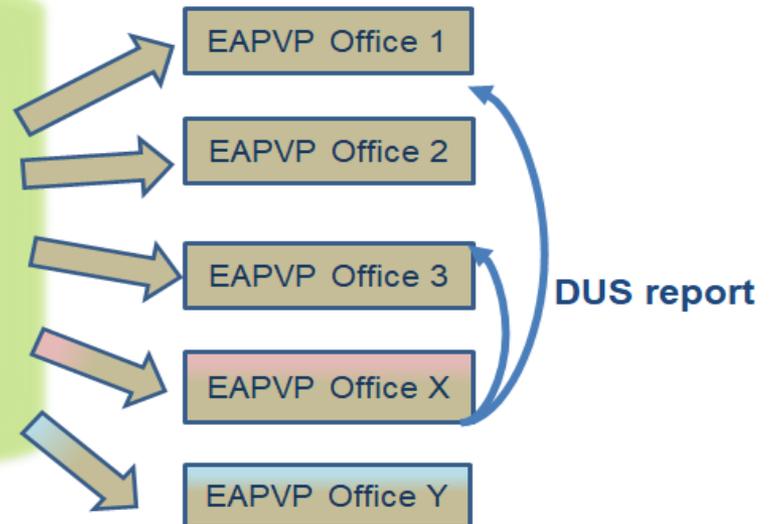
EAPVP Application Form



UPOV PRISMA



Minimized national characteristics



Steps for building Regional Mechanism

Phase 1 (2018 - 2021) : Develop and test the model procedure

Stage 1: Administrative harmonization

- Regional Application Form based on UPOV's form is designed
- Use UPOV PRISMA as a tool to transmit application information

Stage 2: Technical Questionnaire harmonization

- TQs will be produced mainly on the basis of UPOV TQs

Stage 3: DUS examination

- Using UPOV PRISMA to develop regional platform for DUS cooperation
- Enhancing DUS cooperation

Phase 2 (2022) : EAPVP Regional Mechanism implemented

- Application could be received

Precondition

- PVPO of participating Member will be responsible for examination and granting PBR
 - ✓ *Regional Mechanism does not grant PBR nor assume any responsibility (cf. CPVO)*
- Participating countries do not need to change their national legal framework nor obliged to accept DUS test reports
- Only UPOV members and the Members who committed to be UPOV's Member will be able to join the EAPVP Regional Mechanism
- Outcome of the Pilot Project must be attractive to breeders

Participating countries & Resource partners

➤ Participating countries

- ✓ UPOV members of the EAPVP (in a voluntary basis)
- ✓ EAPVP members officially committed to join UPOV (Phase 1)
- ✓ Current participating countries: BN, JP, MM, MY, VN

➤ Resource partner UPOV Office

Model Regional Application Form

- Consists of two parts:
 - (a) Common part
 - Basically same as UPOV model application form
 - (b) specific part
 - Covers specific cases of all participating countries
- RM and national applications
 - RM provide completed national applications form with each Member based on the information from applicants
- Languages
 - English and all participating members' languages

Harmonization of Technical Questionnaires

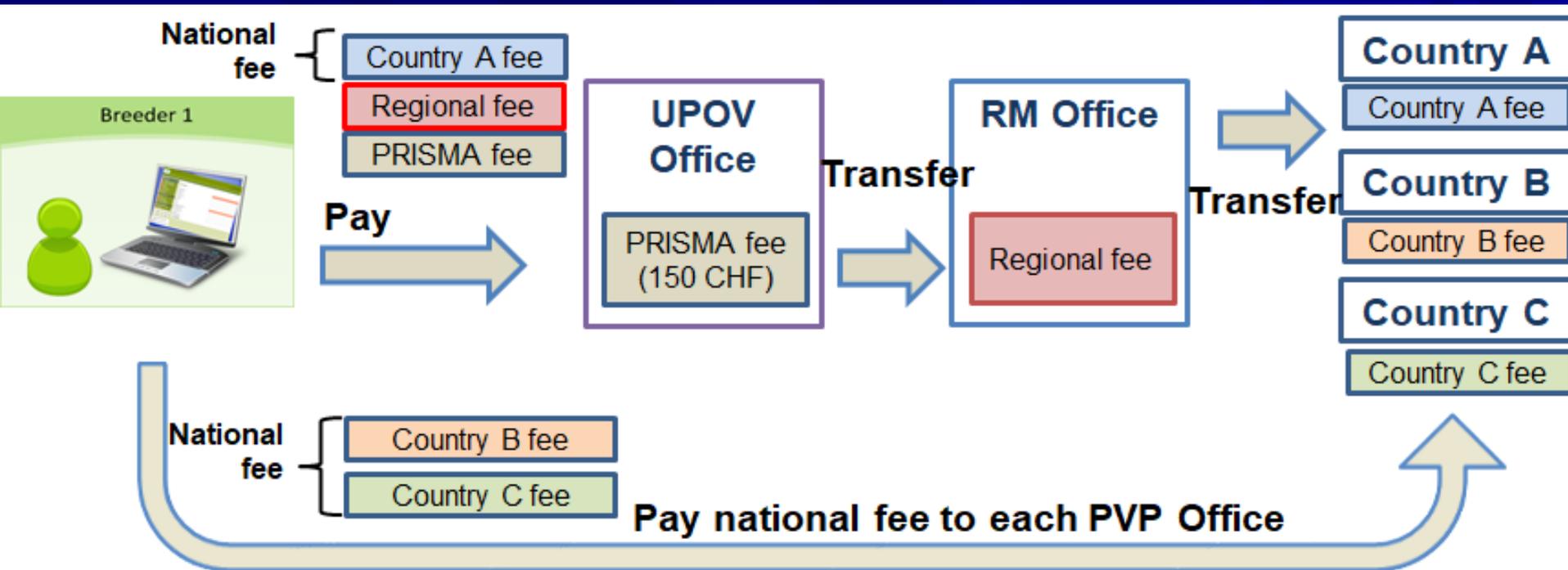
- ✓ RM TQs should be as simple as possible for (covers UPOV TQs and TQs of Japan)

Examination of DUS and other possibilities

- ✓ Cooperation in DUS examination is essential benefit for breeders on minimizing the number of DUS examinations
- ✓ Possibilities of arrangements for preliminary examination of novelty and variety denomination

Administrative Harmonization

- ✓ RM needs to ensure payment of all national application fees of participating countries
- ✓ Possible payment mechanism of RM



Plan for activities in 2019 - 2020

➤ Third pilot project meeting

- ✓ Brunei Darussalam, September, 2019
- ✓ Options on whether application should be sent to all PVP Offices or the breeders can select the countries to file
- ✓ Administrative support and costs for Phase 1 and 2
- ✓ Possible arrangement for preliminary examination of novelty and variety denomination

➤ Fourth pilot project meeting

- ✓ February 2020 (TBD)

Thank you for your attention