

REPORT ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN UPOV

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- Responding to current and future challenges
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UPOV status
(July 12, 2021)

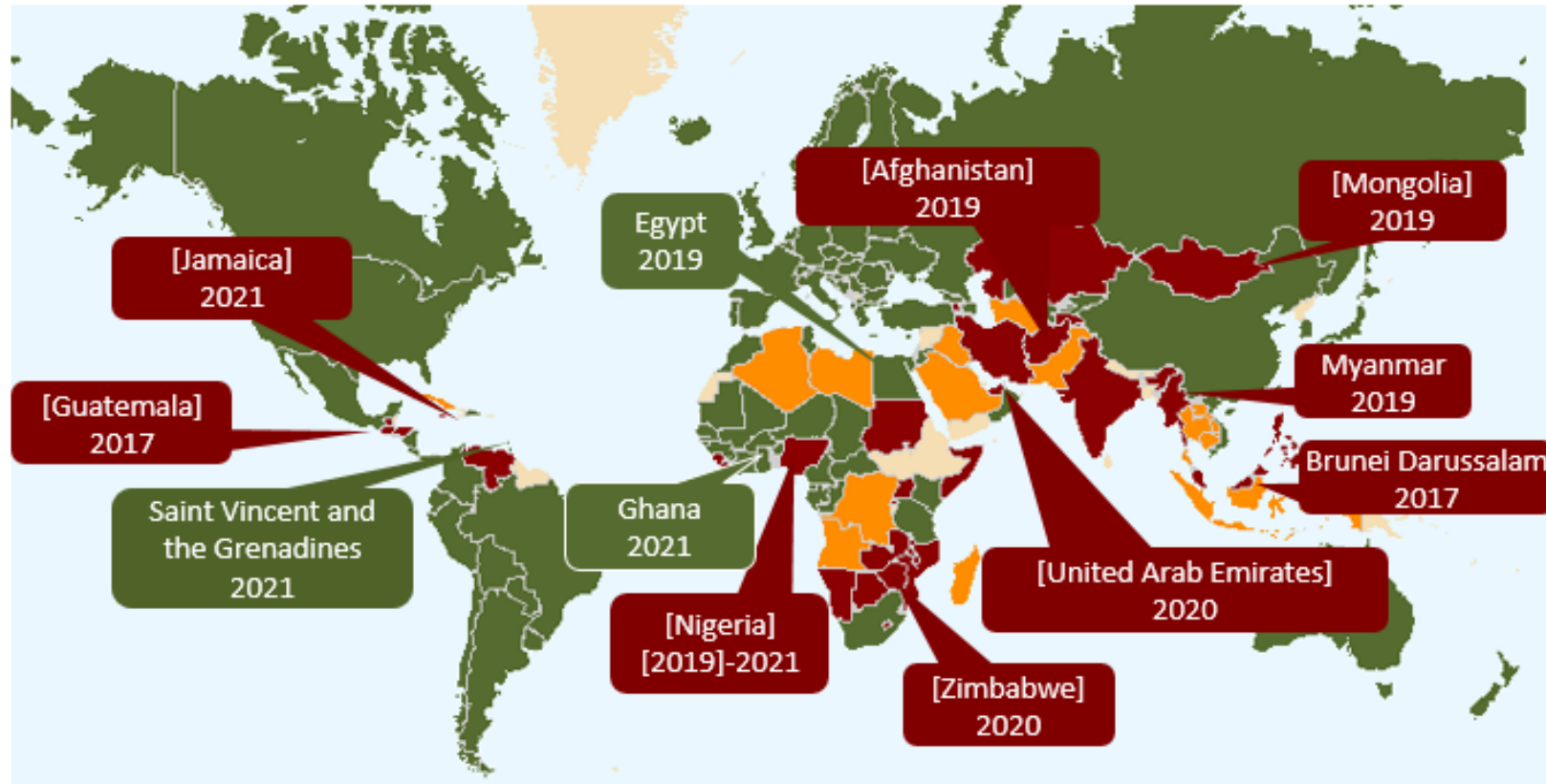


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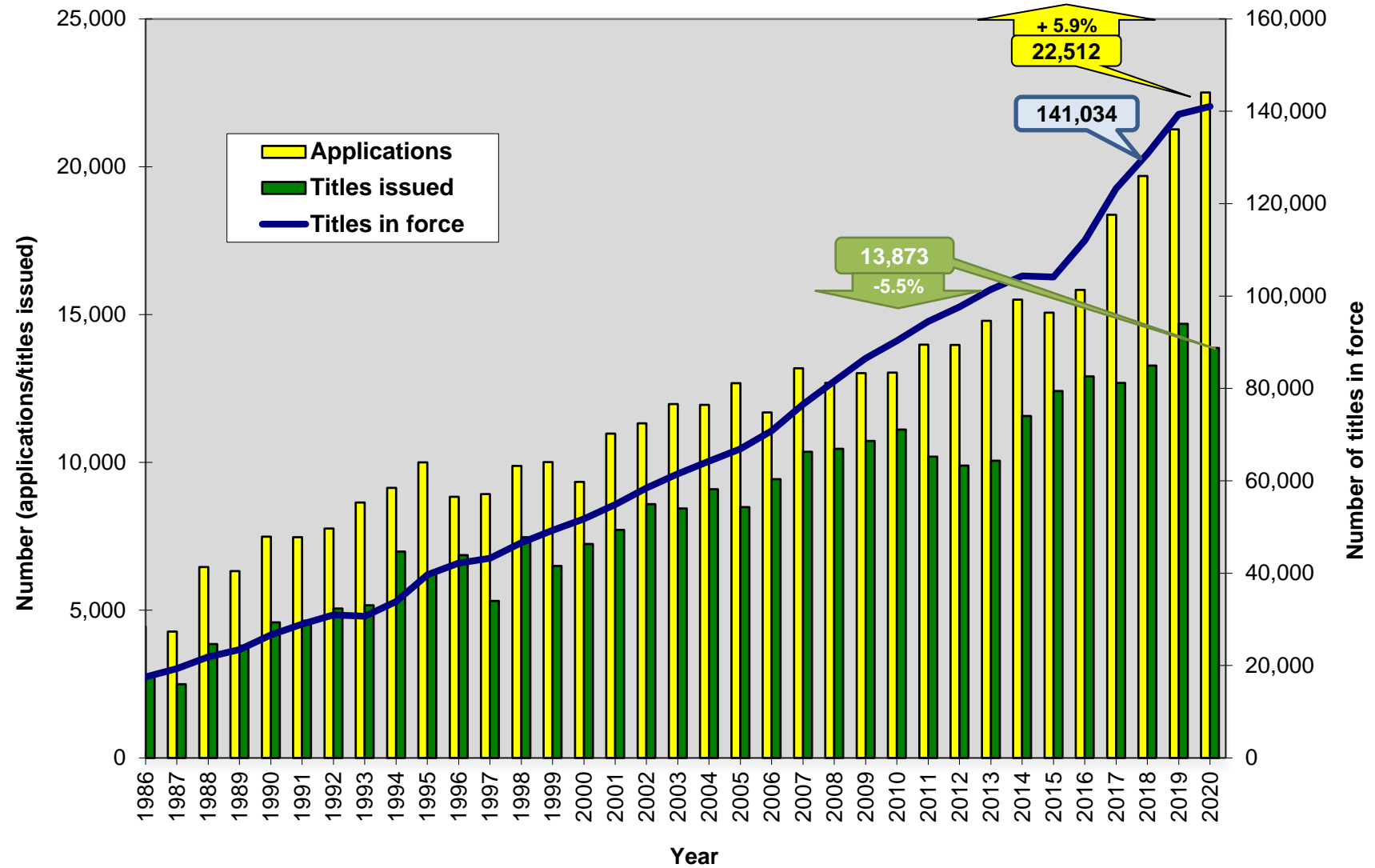
UPOV members and UPOV Council examination of [draft] Laws (2017-2021)
(all positive) status *July 12, 2022*



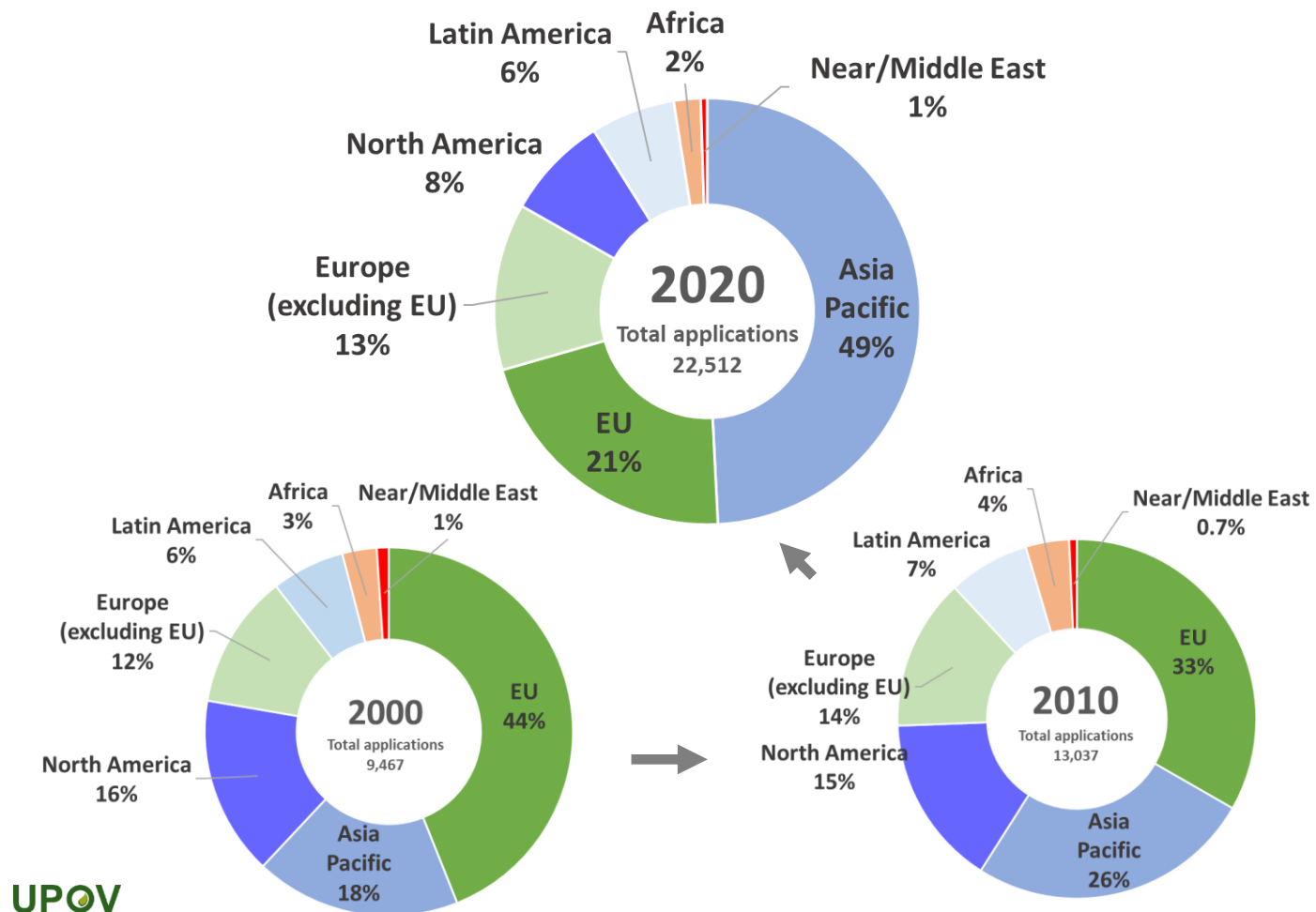
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- Members of UPOV (78) (covering 97 States)
- Initiating States (19) and Organization (1)
- States (22) and Organization (1) in contact with the UPOV Office

Total Applications filed and Titles issued



Applications received by Region – 2000 to 2020



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HARVESTED MATERIAL

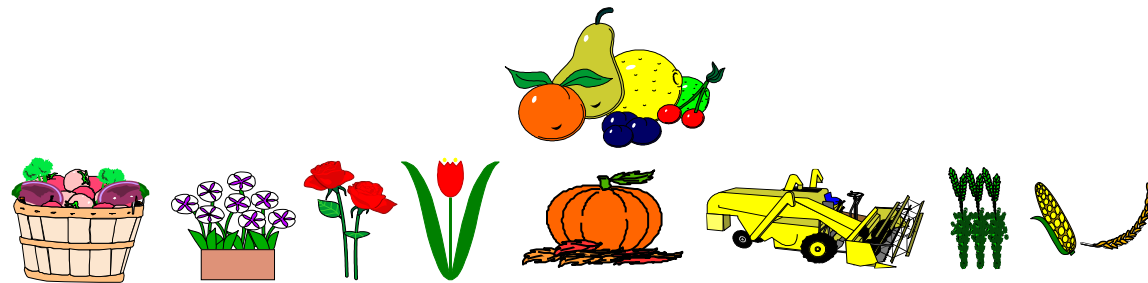
Working Group on harvested Material and Unauthorized use of Propagating Material

March 15, 2022

September 6, 2022

Videos available at:

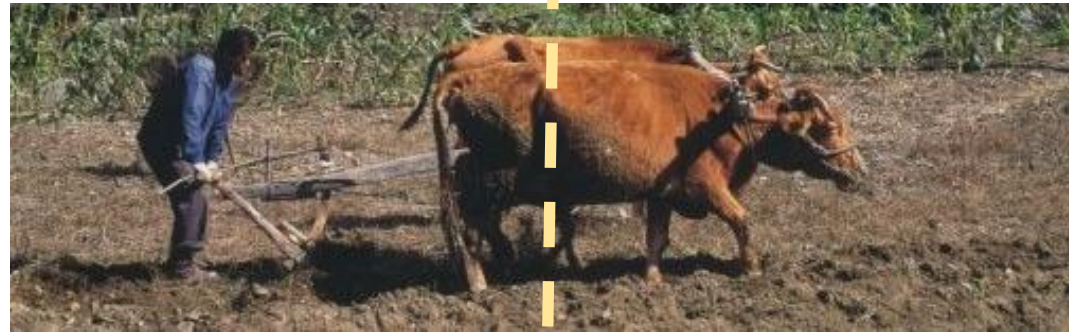
https://www.upov.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=63048



SMALLHOLDER FARMERS

Development of guidance regarding the implementation of the exception of acts done privately and for non-commercial purposes in relation to smallholder farmers

(a) members of the Union and observers to provide their experience and views...



(d) to draft guidance for consideration of the Consultative Committee at its session in 2021, together with consideration of the status (e.g. explanatory note, guidance document, FAQ) that any agreed guidance should have.

Essentially Derived Varieties (EDV)

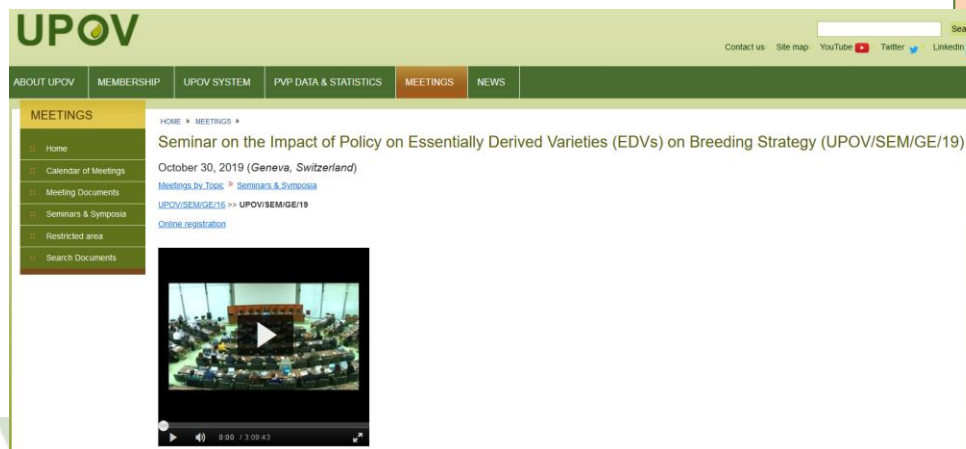
Seminar on the Impact of Policy on Essentially Derived Varieties (EDVs) on Breeding Strategy



Working Group on Essentially Derived Varieties (WG-EDV)

to draft a **revision** of the
**Explanatory Notes on
Essentially Derived Varieties**
for consideration by the
Administrative and Legal Committee (CAJ).

...plus EDV information session



Seminar on the role of plant breeding and plant variety protection in enabling agriculture to mitigate and adapt to climate change

October 21, 12, 26, 2022

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

13.00 **Welcome and opening remarks**
Mr. Daren Tang, Secretary-General, UPOV

13.10 **Program and organization of the Seminar**
Mr. Peter Button, Vice Secretary-General, UPOV

Thematic SESSION 1: Climate change and its impact on agricultural production

13.15 **Introduction**
Moderator: Mr. Marien Valstar, President of the Council, UPOV

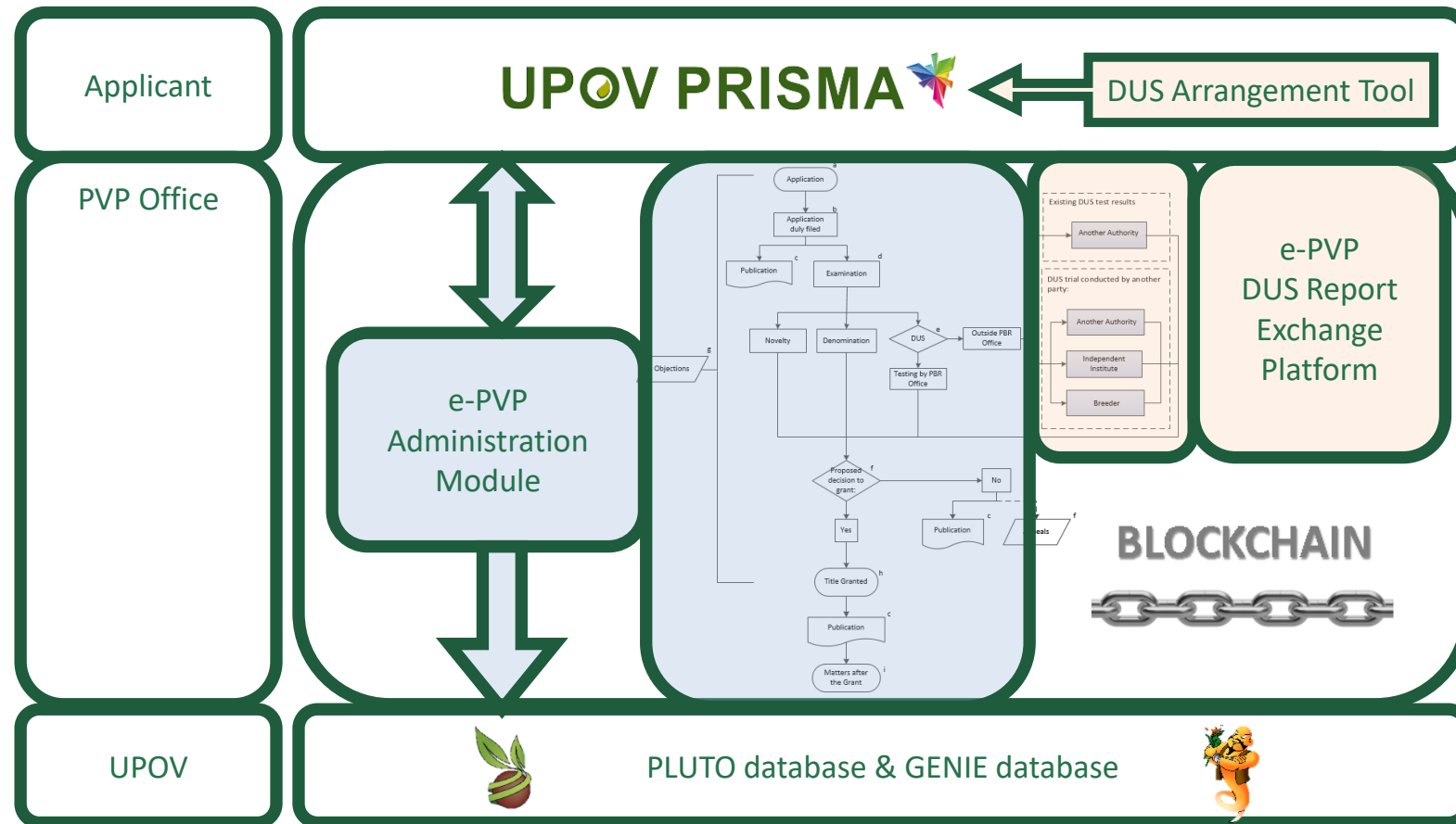
13.20 **Key note presentation - Impacts and risks for agriculture from climate change: adaptation solutions and the role of new plant varieties**
(speaker tbc)

13.40 **World Farmers' Organization perspective**
Ms. Arianna Giuliadori, Secretary-General, WFO

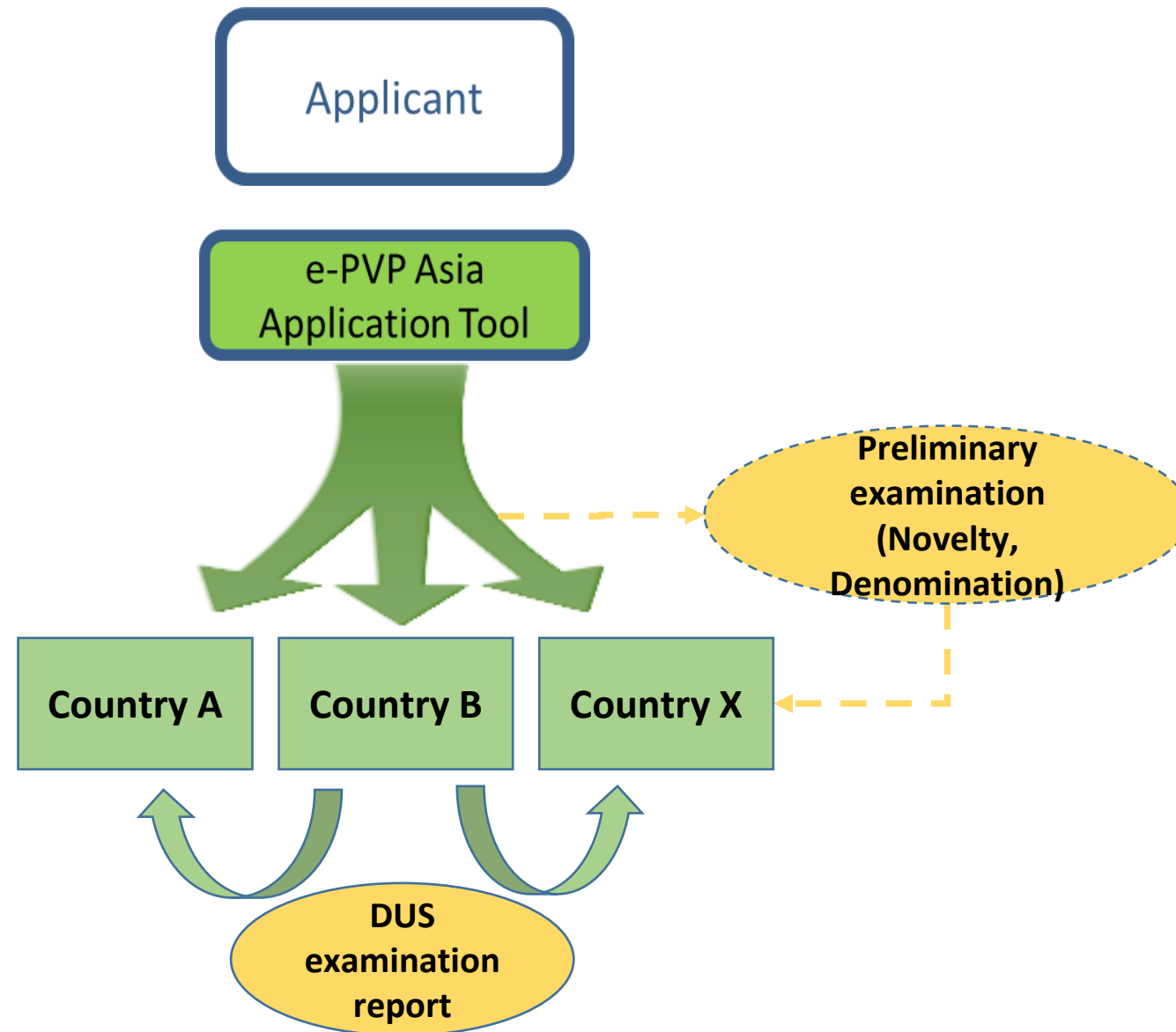
13.50 **International Seed Federation perspective**
Mr. Michael Keller, Secretary-General, ISF

14.00 **International Community of Breeders of Asexually Reproduced Horticultural Plants perspective**
Mr. Edgar Krieger, Secretary General, CIOPORA

e-PVP



e-PVP Asia



Benefits of e-PVP Asia

For breeders/agents:

- ✓ **A single online platform** for submitting application data and enhanced **cooperation in DUS examination**
 - **Easy to apply** to participating countries
 - **Save time and costs** for application/examination (minimizing number of DUS examinations)
- ✓ A functionality of **“DUS Arrangement Tool” (DART)** enables applicants to arrange DUS examinations in the most efficient way

Benefits of e-PVP Asia

For PP participating countries:

- Manage efficient procedures by an **online application system** and **electronic application management system**
- **Enhance DUS cooperation among PVP Offices** of participating countries to **address capacity gaps in DUS examination** (e.g. human resources, infrastructure, agro-climatic conditions for growing trials)
- **Assist new UPOV members** to provide protection to **all plant genera and species** in an efficient way
- **Increase the number of PVP applications** as a result of efficient application and examination procedures



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Trainings / Workshop

Virtual events

UPOV

- UPOV Distance Learning Courses (Mar-Apr, Oct-Nov, 2022)
- Train the Trainer course (Aug, 2022)

APSA Train the Trainer course on PVP of UPOV Convention

- APSA PVP workshop with Thai DoA, THASTA and APSA (May & Jun, 2022)
- RCEP Forum on IP protection in seed industry (May, 2022)
- PVP toolbox workshop in cooperation with Naktuinbouw (Sept-Oct, 2021)

IP Key SEA Webinar Series on Plant Variety Protection

- Awareness raising Webinars on PVP and UPOV 1991, (Jan, 2022)

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Cambodia

- EAPVPPF-KH PBR & Farmers' Benefits (Feb, 2022)

China

- IPKey China Plant Variety Protection Awareness Raising Seminar (Nov, 2021)
- Online Legislation Seminar on Plant Variety Protection (May, 2022)

Japan

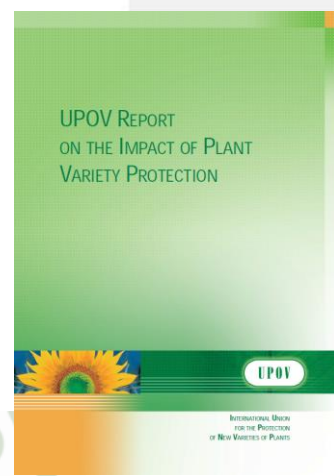
- JICA Training course (Aug-Oct, 2022)

Indonesia

- EAPVP seminar on breeder's exemption under UPOV Convention (Jan, 2022)

CIOPORA

- Annual General Meeting (AGM) IP and Enforcement Symposium (Apr, 2022)



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UPOV on Social Media

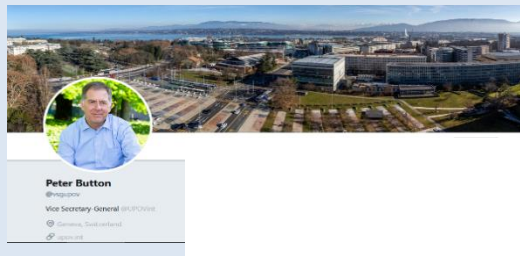


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