

Multi-Stakeholder Expert Dialogue on Access and Benefit-Sharing for Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

First workshop
25-26 January 2011
Brussels, Belgium

Provisional programme

Monday, 24 January

19.30 Welcome dinner at the restaurant “Le Roy d'Espagne”

Tuesday, 25 January

8.45 – 9.00 Welcome coffee and opening

9.00 – 9.15 Rationale and methodology of the multi-stakeholder expert dialogue on access and benefit-sharing for genetic resources for food and agriculture
Tom Dedeurwaerdere, Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium

9.15 – 9.30 The FAO Commission’s work on access and benefit-sharing for genetic resources for food and agriculture
Dan Leskien, Secretariat of the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (CGRFA), FAO

9.30 – 10.00 **Session 1: Current practices of use and exchange of genetic resources for food and agriculture in the main sub-sectors of the food and agriculture sector**

1.1: The use and exchange of animal genetic resources for food and agriculture
Arthur da Silva Mariante, Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation (EMBRAPA), Brazil

10.00 – 10.30 **1.2:** The use and exchange of aquatic genetic resources for food and agriculture
Sena De Silva, Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia-Pacific (NACA), Thailand

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee

11.00 – 11.30 **1.3:** The use and exchange of forest genetic resources for food and agriculture
Carlos Navarro, Instituto de Investigaciones y Servicios Forestales (INISEFOR), Universidad Nacional, Costa Rica

- 11.30 – 12.00 **1.4:** The use and exchange of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture
Niels Louwaars, Centre for Genetic Resources (CGN), the Netherlands
- 12.00 – 12.30 **1.5:** The use and exchange of microbial genetic resources for food and agriculture
G.S. Prasad, Institute of Microbial Biotechnology, India
- 12.30 – 13.00 **1.6:** The use and exchange of genetic resources relevant for biological control
Johannette Klapwijk, International Biocontrol Manufacturers Association (IBMA) and Koppert Biological Systems, the Netherlands
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 14.45 **Session 2: Commonalities and differences of the main sub-sectors of the food and agriculture sector as to their use and exchange patterns regarding genetic resources**
- 2.1:** Presentation and discussion of an analytical framework for the comparison of different use and exchange patterns regarding genetic resources in the food and agriculture sector

Marie Schloen, Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium
Selim Louafi, Centre de coopération internationale en recherche agronomique pour le développement (CIRAD), France
- 14.45 – 17.00 **2.2:** Three parallel working groups to identify commonalities and differences of the main sub-sectors of the food and agriculture sector as to their use and exchange patterns regarding genetic resources (each of the 3 working groups will be composed of representatives of the various sub-sectors, to reflect the cross-sectorial approach)

Coffee will be made available at 16.00
- 17.00 – 18.00 **2.3:** Working group reports to plenary
- 19.00 – 21.00 Dinner at the workshop location (Palais des académies)

Wednesday, 26 January

9.00 – 10.30	2.4: Presentation and discussion of outcomes of Session 2
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee
11.00 – 11.45	Session 3: Assessment of the potential impact of typical access and benefit-sharing policies on the use and exchange of genetic resources for food and agriculture 3.1: The history of access and benefit-sharing for genetic resources, its underlying rationale and objectives <i>Prof. Gerd Winter, Research Unit for European Environmental Law (FEU), University of Bremen, Germany</i>
11.45 – 12.30	3.2: The nature and characteristics of typical access and benefit-sharing measures at the regional and national level <i>Prof. Gurdial Singh Nijar, Centre of Excellence for Biodiversity Law (CEBLAW), University of Malaya, Malaysia</i>
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 15.30	3.3: Presentation and discussion of typical access and benefit-sharing scenarios for genetic resources for food and agriculture
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee
16.00 – 17.00	3.4: Presentation and discussion of possible parameters to assess the impact of ABS measures within the different scenarios on the use and exchange of genetic resources for food and agriculture
17.00 – 18.00	Closing of the workshop and the way ahead
19.30	Dinner at the restaurant “Le Falstaff”