The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

Overview

Objectives
By the end of the two-day workshop, the participants will be able to do the following:
1. Discuss the significance of the Treaty and its main elements
2. Explain the relationship of the Treaty to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
3. Identify which regime of access and benefit sharing will apply to individual cases of germplasm accession
4. Understand the process of implementation of the Treaty and its multilateral system of access and benefit-sharing at the national level
5. Understand and use the standard material transfer agreement (SMTA)

Target audience
Genebank managers and technical advisers to policymakers

Handouts
1. Overview of the Workshop – Workshop Objectives and List of Handouts
2. Schedule of Day One
3. Schedule of Day Two

Session 1: Understanding and Implementing the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

4. Summary of Overheads for Session 1 (including objectives and schedule)

Background papers for presentations
5. The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture in the Context of Other Legal Instruments
6. The Rationale for the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
7. An Overview of the Provisions of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
8. The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture: Issues and Concerns
Exercises for Session 1
10. Exercise 1. Making Decisions about Access to Genetic Resources
11. Exercise 1. Worksheet
12. Exercise 1. Hypothetical Case 1
13a. Exercise 1. Hypothetical Case 2
13b. Exercise 1. Hypothetical Case 3
14. Exercise 1. Practical Considerations for Exercise 1
15. Exercise 2. Interpreting the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
16. Exercise 2. Worksheet
17. Exercise 2. Practical Considerations for Exercise 2
18. Exercise 3. Implementing the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
20. Exercise 3. Worksheet

Workshop Evaluation
22. Strengths and Weaknesses of Day One

Session 2: Understanding and Using the Standard Material Transfer Agreement

23. Summary of Overheads for Session 2 (including objectives and schedule)

Background papers for Presentations
24. The Standard Material Transfer Agreement (SMTA)

Exercises for Session 2
25. Exercise 4: Understanding the Standard Material Transfer Agreement
26. Exercise 4. Worksheet for Role A
27. Exercise 4. Worksheet for Role B
28. Exercise 4. Practical Considerations for Exercise 4: Role A
29. Exercise 4. Practical Considerations for Exercise 4: Role B
30. Exercise 5. Using the Standard Material Transfer Agreement
32. Exercise 5. Guidelines for Filling Out the Standard Material Transfer Agreement
33. Exercise 5. Practical Considerations for Exercise 5: Completed Standard Material Transfer Agreement

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