

# Main conclusions

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## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CPVO

Hybrid meeting, 5 October 2023

FINAL

## CONCLUSIONS

### **1. Opening of the meeting, general information and approval of the agenda**

The AC Chair Mr. Valstar officially opened the meeting and proposed to change the order of the meeting agenda, to address the two confidential points of the agenda one after to the other. The change in the order of the meeting agenda was approved by the AC.

### **2. CONFIDENTIAL: Election of the new Chair and Vice Chair of the AC – secret ballot (DOC-AC-2023-3-1)**

Mr. José Antonio Sobrino Maté from Spain was elected as Chair of the Administrative Council.

Ms. Kristine Bech Klindt from Denmark was elected as Vice Chair of the AC.

Mr. Valstar congratulated them on behalf of the AC.

### **3. CONFIDENTIAL: CPVO Building project update (DOC-AC-2023-3-9)**

A confidential Agenda Point was discussed.

### **4. AC decision on the Draft Single Programming Document (DOC-AC-2023-3-2)**

The members of the Administrative Council adopted the SPD 2024-2026 and formally endorsed the already adopted SPD 2023-2025.

### **c. Statistics (PPT Only)**

The members of the Administrative Council took note of the key statistics regarding the number of applications, titles and their respective crop categories and origin.

### **5. AC Decision on Draft Budget 2024 (DOC-AC-2023-3-3)**

The AC members approved the draft budget 2024.

### **6. Entrustment of Examination Offices (DOC-AC-2023-3-4)**

The members of the Administrative Council adopted the two recommendations put forward by the Audit Team Leader for Hungary, National Food Chain Safety Office (NEBIH), and Belgium, Centre Wallon de Recherches Agronomiques (CRA-W).

### **7. Antifraud strategy (DOC-AC-2023-3-5)**

The AC members adopted the updated version of the Anti-fraud strategy.

### **8. Cooperation in technical examinations with third countries (DOC-AC-2023-3-6)**

The members of the Administrative Council were invited to consent that a written agreement for the take-over of DUS reports is concluded with the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) in Japan regarding the five species *Flammulina velutipes* (Fr.) Sing, *Grifola frondose* (Fr.) S. F. Gray, *Hypsizygus mormoreus* (Peck) Bigelow, *Lentinula edodes* (Berk.) Pegler and *Pleurotus eryngii* (DC.) Quél. After five years there would have to be an evaluation of the findings of this written agreement. The AC members approved the entering into a written agreement between the CPVO and MAFF from Japan.

### **9. Multiannual External Communication Strategy 2023-2026 (DOC-AC-2023-3-7)**

The AC members adopted the Multiannual External Communication Strategy 2023-2026.

### **10. Final accounts 2022 (DOC-AC-2023-3-8)**

The AC members were invited to take note of the Final Accounts 2022. A formal decision will only take place with the discharge of the CPVO President during the spring 2024 AC meeting. The AC members and observers raised no comments or questions. The AC members thereby took note of the Final Accounts 2022.

### **11. R&D update (DOC-AC-2023-3-10)**

#### **a. New R&D projects 2023**

The members of the Administrative Council took note of the information provided as regards the new project called “SNP markers for guiding DUS testing in winter oilseed rape: Validating the new model (SNPsNap)”.

**b. R&D projects and financing of permanent staff**

The members of the Administrative Council were invited to take note of the information provided as regards the financing of permanent staff at EOs within co-funded R&D projects, which was the result of a meeting the CPVO had with Naktuinbouw, Bundessortenamt and GEVES on 19 June 2023.

**12. Update on international relations strategy (DOC-AC-2023-3-11)**

The members of the Administrative Council took note of the updates on the implementation of the international relations strategy and the outreach activities of the CPVO.

**13. Update on the SME Fund (DOC-AC-2023-3-12)**

The members of the Administrative Council took note of the updates on the SME Fund initiative.

**14. DG SANTE Updates**

The European Commission (Ms. Dorothée André and Ms. Päivi Mannerkorpi) provided the members of the Administrative Council with updates on the work of DG SANTE and the other EU institutions in Brussels regarding the proposals for a Regulation on plant reproductive material and Regulation on plants obtained by certain NGTs.