

# CPVO Seminar

## Programme

24 April 2025  
Angers, France

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## Welcoming

09:00 – 09:10      **Master of Ceremony: Mr. Martin Ekvad**, Director of Legal Affairs, UPOV

## KEYNOTE Speech

09:10 – 09:25      **Mr. Francesco Mattina**, President, Community Plant Variety Office

## EU Policies for Innovation in Agriculture

09:25 – 10:20      **Mr. Herbert Dorfmann**, Member of the European Parliament, Member of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

**Ms. Sandra Gallina**, Director-General, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

**Mr. João Negrão**, Executive Director, European Union Intellectual Property Office

**Ms. Maud Faipoux**, Director General for Food, French Ministry of Agriculture and Food Sovereignty

## Innovation in Agriculture: The Role of IP

**Moderator: Mr. Antonio Villarroel López de la Gama**, Director General, ANOVE

- 10:20 – 11:15      **Mr. Edgar Krieger**, CIOPORA  
**Mr. Garlich von Essen**, Secretary General, EUROSEEDS (TBC)  
**Mr. Leonardo Capitanio**, President, AIPH (TBC)  
**Mr. Michiel Klompenhouwer**, Managing Director, PLANTUM
- 11:15 – 11:45      Coffee break

## Innovators in Agriculture: Success Stories

- 11:45 – 12:30      **Ms. Hedwich Teunissen**, CROP-XR  
**Mr. Manuel Tornel**, IMIDA-ITUM  
**Mr. Pat FitzGerald**, Nativaland  
**Mr. Basile de Bary**, SAKATA

## Innovation in Agriculture: The Way Forward

- 12:30 – 13:15      **Ms. Annie Genevard**, French Ministry of Agriculture (online)  
**Mr. Czesław Siekierski**, Polish Ministry of Agriculture (online)  
**Ms. Yolanda Huerta**, Vice Secretary General UPOV  
**Mr. Olivér Várhelyi**, EU Commissioner – Health and animal welfare (TBC)
- 13:15 – 13:30      **Closing remarks**