

Potato Certification Service South Africa

UNECE Bureau and Rapporteurs Meeting on Seed Potatoes

Provisional programme

Kimberley, South Africa, 13 to 18 March 2016

Sunday, 13 March 2016

- 14:00** Arrival in Kimberley
- 16:00** Cultural visit
- 19:00** Opening, welcoming reception, dinner

Monday, 14 March 2016

- 9:00** **Meeting with Griekwaland-Wes Korporatief (GWK) in Douglas, testing facility, mini tuber production facility and seed potato production farms.**
- 18:30** Dinner followed by cultural activities

Tuesday, 15 March 2016

- 08:00 – 15:00** **Bureau and Rapporteurs Meeting**
1. Specialized Section Publications:
Review of draft texts for:
- *Guide to Seed Potato Tuber Inspection*
 - *Guide to Operating a Seed Potato Certification Service*
2. Risk-based inspections
- 15:30** Cultural activities

Wednesday, 16 March 2016

- 9:00 – 21:00** **Technical visit to Wesgrow, quarantine and tissue culture facility, mini tuber production plant, visit to a seed potato production farms and packing facility.**
- Dinner (Bush braai sponsored by Wesgrow)

Thursday, 17 March 2016

9:00 – 17:00

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3. Sample sizes
4. True Potato Seed
5. Promotion of the Standard, and capacity-building activities

19:00

Gala Dinner

Friday, 18 March 2016

9:00 – 13:00

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6. Specialized Section's website
7. Short update: PCR techniques for virus testing
8. Future work and other business

13:00

Lunch and departure