

Dutch General Inspection Service (NAK)

UNECE Bureau and Rapporteurs Meeting on Seed Potatoes

Emmeloord, Netherlands, 27 - 29 September 2017

Draft agenda, and observations

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II. Observations

1. Survey of seed potato virus testing methods

The delegation of Finland will present the first compilation of responses made to the survey, which were provided by the UNECE secretariat. The Bureau and Rapporteurs are invited to discuss the initial findings.

Doc. 1: Initial findings of the Survey of Seed Potato Virus Testing Methods

2. Draft survey of bacterial testing methodologies

The working group (Israel, UK and US) will provide an oral update on the draft survey of bacterial testing methodologies.

3. Capacity-building leaflet

The Bureau and Rapporteurs are invited to discuss the revised draft capacity building leaflet prepared by the working group (Australia, Czech Republic, Finland, Germany, the Netherlands, United Kingdom and the United States).

Doc. 2: Revised Draft Leaflet

4. E-learning platform

A demonstration for e-learning work will be made by the Netherlands. The Bureau and Rapporteurs will discuss possible e-learning options.

5. UNECE pest guide app

Australia will provide an update to the Bureau and Rapporteurs on the latest developments.

6. Food loss/waste

The Bureau and Rapporteurs are invited to carry out a last review of the shorter version on food loss/food waste (initially developed by the Working Group, France, Israel and the United States) which will be submitted to the Working Party in November.

Doc. 3: Short Guide on Food Loss/Waste – the Case of Seed Potato Certification

7. Guide on minituber production

The working group (Australia, France, the Netherlands, New Zealand and South Africa) will provide an oral update to the Bureau and Rapporteurs for further discussion.

8. Sample sizes

At its 2017 session, the Specialized Section agreed that a working group led by New Zealand (Australia, France, Netherlands, New Zealand and South Africa) would work Annex IX of the standard, which would become a "Sampling annex". The working group will provide an update to the Bureau and Rapporteurs for discussion.

9. Redefining the term "Designated Authorities"

The Bureau and Rapporteurs are invited to discuss the revised definition of the term "Designated Authorities", proposed by New Zealand and the United Kingdom.

Doc. 4: Revised Definition of the term "Designated Authorities"

10. Future work and other business

The Bureau and Rapporteurs will discuss the 2018 meeting of the Specialized Section on Standardization of Seed Potatoes, to be held in Geneva on 19-21 March 2018, as well as any other business.

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TIMETABLE

Wednesday 27 September 2017

08.15 – 09.00	Arrival at NAK
09.00 – 09.10	Welcome by Mr. Eric Casteleijn, Director NAK
09.10 – 10.30	Meeting agenda (UNECE)
10.30 – 11.00	Break
11.00 – 12.00	Meeting agenda (UNECE)
12.00 – 12.45	Lunch
12.45 – 17.00	programme NAK 13.00 Ms. Lysbeth Hof – DUS specialist Naktuinbouw: DUS Hybrid TPS 14:30: break 15.00: Mr. Bert Rouwenhorst (Manager IT NAK): IT 2.0 16.00: Risk based inspections (meeting agenda).
17.00	Return to hotel

Thursday 28 September 2017

08.15 – 08.30	Arrival at NAK
08.30 – 09.45	Meeting agenda (UNECE)
09.45 – 10.05	Break
10.15 – 12.00	Departure to Bejo Seeds, Warmenhuizen (Province North-Holland)
12.00 – 15.30	Lunch and program Bejo Seeds
15.30	Return to Emmeloord and Hotel
19.00	Dinner at 't Voorhuys (de Huyskamer)

Friday 29 September 2017

08.30 – 09.00	Arrival at NAK
09.00 – 11.00	Introduction to laboratory testing and visit of the Lab: Miriam Kooman (Manager laboratories).
11.00 – 11.20	Break
11.20 – 12.15	Meeting agenda (UNECE)
12.15 – 13.00	Lunch
13.00 – 15.00	Meeting agenda (UNECE)
15.00	Closing session and return to hotel