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## NOTIFICATION

### Publication of the Descriptors for Crop Wild Relatives conserved under *in situ* conditions

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Secretariat is pleased to share with you the agreed list of descriptors for the documentation of Crop Wild Relatives *in situ* (CWRI) resulting from the global consultation and the expert survey conducted in the first semester of this year.

This list of CWRI passport descriptors constitutes the minimum initial list for CWR *in situ* data exchange. The list is intended to be a user-friendly data exchange tool for which data should be available worldwide. Its wide adoption and use will facilitate and streamline the collection of data needed for documenting *in situ* CWR in a consistent way.

The list is published at: <http://www.fao.org/3/cb0681en/cb0681en.pdf>

The document reflects the consensus reached by a wide range of experts from all regions in the course of the extensive consultations and meetings undertaken under the [project](#). We warmly thank all the experts that provided comments and inputs throughout this process.

We are also pleased to inform you that a testing phase will be conducted during the second semester of 2020 against selected national cases. In particular, the project will map global descriptors to various catalogues and inventories with the aim to facilitate the establishment of national *in situ* databases of CWR.

If you have any question or require further information you can contact the Treaty Secretariat at [PGRFA-Treaty@FAO.org](mailto:PGRFA-Treaty@FAO.org)

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Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

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