



**Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations**



**The International Treaty
ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES
FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

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RESOLUTION 11/2022

COOPERATION WITH THE COMMISSION ON GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

THE GOVERNING BODY,

Recalling Resolution 9/2019 and other previous Resolutions on the cooperation with the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (the Commission);

1. **Welcomes** the ongoing close cooperation between the Commission and the Governing Body and the joint activities undertaken by the Secretariats of the International Treaty and the Commission during the past intersessional period;
2. **Agrees** to keep the matter of the functional division of tasks and activities between the Governing Body and the Commission under review and **requests** the Secretary to regularly report any relevant developments in the cooperation with the Commission;
3. **Recalling** Article 17.3 of the International Treaty, **invites** Contracting Parties that still have not done so, to cooperate with the Commission in the preparation of *The Third Report on the State of the World's Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture* in order to facilitate the updating of the *Second Global Plan of Action for Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture*;
4. **Welcomes** the joint activities of the Secretariats of the International Treaty and the Commission during the past intersessional period and **requests** the Secretary to continue strengthening collaboration and coordination with the Secretary of the Commission to promote coherence in the development and implementation of the respective programmes of work of the two bodies, and in particular with regard to:
 - i. the preparation of the *Third Report on the State of the World's Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture*, the review and possible update of the *Second Global Plan of Action for Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture*, and the revision of the reporting system of the World Information and Early Warning System on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (WIEWS);
 - ii. the organization of symposia on in situ conservation and on-farm management of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture (PGRFA);
 - iii. the effects of seed policies, laws and regulations;
 - iv. the implementation and monitoring of the *Second Global Plan of Action for Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture*, including technical instruments that facilitate its implementation, such as the *Genebank Standards for Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture* and work on sustainable use of PGRFA;
 - v. ABS and digital sequence information / genetic sequence data (DSI/GSD) on PGRFA;
 - vi. joint efforts to advocate for the consideration of the objectives and relevant work and policies of the Commission and the Governing Body of the International Treaty in global strategies and frameworks, such as the *FAO Strategy on Mainstreaming Biodiversity across Agricultural Sectors* and the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework, as well as

to update FAO Members on progress in the implementation of their respective mandates and work programmes, for example through briefings for Permanent Representations; and

vii. the Global Information System and WIEWS, and relevant targets and indicators.

5. ***Further encourages*** building complementarity and collaboration in relation to the development and implementation of national strategies of PGRFA and national planning process relevant to PGRFA such as those related to climate change adaptation and mitigation, and in doing so, ***requests*** the Secretary to keep the Standing Committee on the Funding Strategy and Resource Mobilization informed.