

To the Secretary of the International Treaty
on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
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Subject: notification regarding the contribution of Germany to the Multilateral System

The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (the Treaty) has established a Multilateral System of Access and Benefit-sharing.

Regarding the coverage of the Multilateral System, Article 11 specifies that the Multilateral System shall include all plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* that are under the management and control of the Contracting Parties and in the public domain, and that Contracting Parties invite other holders of the plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* to include these in the Multilateral System.

Herewith, the Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection on behalf of Germany wishes to notify to you that the following plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* and maintained in Germany have been included in the Multilateral System.

1. The collections held by the Genebank of the Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research (IPK), located in Gatersleben, Groß Lüsewitz and Malchow.
2. The *Fragaria* and *Malus* collections held by the Federal Research Centre for Cultivated Plants – Julius Kuehn Institute, Institute for Breeding Research on Horticultural and Fruit Crops, located in Dresden.

Through the website of the National Inventory for Plant Genetic Resources in Germany PGRDEU (<http://www.genres.de/>) detailed data on the composition of the collections and user procedures to order samples are readily available.

Germplasm held in the collections listed above will be made available to users under the conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture.

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