



# The International Treaty

## ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

**Provisional Programme**  
**Fourth High-Level Ministerial Round Table (4<sup>th</sup> HLRT)**  
***The International Treaty, Climate Change and Food Security***  
 24 September 2014, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm,  
 New York, UNGA 69  
 Conference Room 6

	<b>Registration</b>
<b>OPENING SESSION</b>	
<b>Opening Addresses by host and co-hosts</b>	H.E. Minister Fuad bin Jafaar Al-Sajwani, <b>Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries of Oman (host)</b> H.E. Minister Tine Sundtoft, <b>Minister of Climate and Environment of Norway (co-host)</b> H.E. Minister Andrä Rupprechter, <b>Minister of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management of Austria (co-host)</b>
<b>Keynote Speech</b>	<b>Director-General of the UN-FAO</b> , Dr Graziano da Silva: <i>Food security and climate change</i>
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Chairman of the Governing Body</b> of the International Treaty, Mr Matthew Worrell
	<b>Secretary of the International Treaty</b> , Dr Shakeel T. Bhatti
<b>Featured speakers</b>	<b>Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity</b> , Dr Braulio F. de Souza Dias: <i>Biodiversity for food and agriculture and the International Treaty</i>
	<b>Executive Secretary of the UN Convention to Combat Desertification</b> , Dr Monique Barbut: <i>Drought, food security and the importance of plant genetic resources</i>
<b>FIRST SESSION:</b>	
<b>CONSERVING AND MANAGING CROP DIVERSITY FOR CLIMATE ADAPTATION</b>	
	<b>State Minister of Agriculture of Ethiopia</b> , H.E. State Minister Sileshi Getahun: <i>Connecting climate adaptation, on-farm conservation and information management of crop diversity through the Benefit-sharing Fund of the Treaty: The example of Ethiopia</i>
	<b>Chairman, World Food Prize Committee</b> , Professor M.S. Swaminathan: <i>The importance of the International Treaty for the conservation of agro-biodiversity</i>
	<b>Ambassador for Climate Change of Australia</b> , Dr Justin Lee: <i>Addressing drought, water-scarcity and food crops through the Treaty</i>
	<b>International Fund for Agricultural Development</b> , Mr Mohamed Beavogui: <i>A donor's perspective</i>



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	<b>Executive Director of the Global Crop Diversity Trust, Ms Marie Haga:</b> <i>Conserving in perpetuity</i>
<b>SECOND SESSION: BENEFIT SHARING AND TRANSFER OF TECNOLOGIES</b>	
	<b>Minister of Agriculture and Land reclamation of Egypt, H.E. Adel El-Beltagy:</b> <i>Using information, communication technologies and nanotechnologies under the Treaty's Global Information System to produce climate-resilient food crops</i>
	<b>Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Union, Dr Dacian Ciolos:</b> <i>Safeguarding Agro-biodiversity through the International Treaty: Completing the Governance of Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture</i>
	<b>Minister of Agriculture of Indonesia, H.E. Suswono:</b> <i>Co-development and transfer of climate adaptation technologies through the Treaty</i>
	<b>Vice-Minister for the Environment, Energy, Science and Technology at the Ministry of External Relations of Brazil, H.E. Jose Antonio Marcondes de Carvalho:</b> <i>From the Treaty's Rio 6-Point Action Plan to the New York Climate Change Summit</i>
	<b>Director General of Bioversity International, Ms Ann Tutwiler:</b> <i>International research and crop diversity management</i>
<b>THIRD SESSION: BRINGING SEEDS TO FARMERS</b>	
	<b>Secretary General of the International Cooperation for Development Spain, Gonzalo Robles Orozco:</b> <i>How to expand interventions addressed to the farmers through the Benefit-Sharing Fund</i>
	<b>Research Programme on Climate Change Agriculture and Food Security (CGIAR), Mr Bruce Campbell:</b> <i>New Partnership Models in Crop Diversity Management</i>
	<b>Representative of the Seed Industry and the International Seed Federation, Mr Andy Lavigne, President, American Seed Trade Association (ASTA):</b> <i>The portfolio value of a global gene pool for food crops</i>
	<b>President of the World Farmers Organization: Peter Kendall:</b> <i>The potential of seed and innovation policies to bring climate-resilient seeds to farmers</i>



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## DISCUSSION, CONCLUSIONS AND CLOSING

### INTEGRATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF CLIMATE-SMART CROPS IN THE INTERNATIONAL TREATY

#### **Discussion among Participants**

Inter-active discussion among all Ministers and Dignitaries attending the Round Table

#### **Summary of discussions and possible conclusions reached**

Dr Geoffrey Hawtin, Senior Technical Advisor, International Treaty

Mr Matthew Worrell, Chairman of the Sixth Session of the Governing Body of the Treaty

#### **Closing**

H.E. Minister Fuad bin Jafaar Al-Sajwani, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries of Oman