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ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Provisional Programme
Fourth High-Level Ministerial Round Table (4th 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

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



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