

# Provisional Programme

## High Level Round Table on the Importance of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture in Meeting the Challenges of Climate Change, Enhancing Food Security and Addressing Agro-biodiversity Erosion

The Government of Italy

*with the support of*  
**The Secretariat  
of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic  
Resources for Food and Agriculture**

**09.00 - 09.50**

### Opening Ceremony

- Introductory remarks by H.E. Giancarlo Galan, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies of Italy
- Statement by FAO
- The International Treaty on PGRFA by Shakeel Bhatti, Secretary of the IT-PGRFA
- The outcomes of Bari Policy Seminar (15th - 18th December 2009) on the Treaty "Global Challenges and Future Direction" by Cosimo Lacirignola, Director General, CIHEAM-IAM (Italy)
- Statement by Cosima Hufler - Chair of the Governing Body of the Treaty

### Signature Ceremony

- "Food Security and Intellectual Property in the context of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources": Memorandum of Understanding between FAO and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Statement by Dr. Francis Gurry, Director General, WIPO
- "Biological Diversity and the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources": Memorandum of Cooperation with the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) Video Statement by Ahmed Djoughlaf, Executive Secretary, CBD

**09.50 - 10.30**

### The role of the Treaty in ensuring food security in a time of climate change

- Hans Rudolf Herren - President of The Millennium Institute
- Giuseppe Perissinotto - President of Genagricola (Italy)
- Cary Fowler - Executive Director of the Global Crop Diversity Trust

**10.30 - 10.45**

### Coffee Break

**10.45 - 11.00**

### Exhibition and Video in the Flag Hall

- Exhibition of typical Italian crop varieties
- Video: Communication on the Italian development initiative in PGRFA in Bolivia

**11.00 - 11.30**

### The Treaty Benefit-sharing Fund for food security

- Muriel Lightbourne, Author of the book "Food Security, Biological Diversity and Intellectual Property Rights" Formerly with University of Illinois
- Ambassador Walter Fust - International Treaty of PGRFA - High Level Task Force
- Emile Frison - Director General of Bioversity International

**11.30 - 12.50**

### Round Table Discussion

Moderator Clive Stannard (Expert)

**12.50 - 13.00**

### Announcement by Indonesia on the next Session of the Governing Body of the IT-PGRFA

(Bali, 14th - 18th 2011)

**13.00 - 13.15**

### Presentation of the outcomes by the Moderator

**13.15 - 13.30**

### Press Conference "Expanding the Treaty's Benefit Sharing Fund" - FAO - Iran Room

**13.30 - 15.00**

### Lunch

**15.00 - 16.30**

### Afternoon Session

### Panel Discussion: Prioritizing the activities of the IT-PGRFA. Chair - Enrico Porceddu, University of Tuscia, Italy

- Shakeel Bhatti, Secretary of the IT-PGRFA
- Hans Rudolf Herren - The Millennium Institute
- Cary Fowler - Global Crop Diversity Trust (tbc)
- Muriel Lightbourne, Formerly with University of Illinois
- Ambassador Walter Fust (International Treaty of PGRFA - High Level Task Force)
- Emile Frison - Bioversity International

**16.30 - 17.00**

### Reports of the afternoon session and Closing



# Leading the Field



The meeting will be led  
by Minister Giancarlo Galan  
and supported  
by global experts  
in agriculture, food security  
and climate change  
adaptation.

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