

# STATUS IN RELATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS (UPOV)

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## I. Members of UPOV

African Intellectual Property Organization <sup>3,5</sup>	Colombia <sup>2</sup>	Israel <sup>3</sup>	Oman <sup>3</sup>	Spain <sup>3</sup>
Albania <sup>3</sup>	Costa Rica <sup>3</sup>	Italy <sup>2</sup>	Panama <sup>3</sup>	Sweden <sup>3</sup>
Argentina <sup>2</sup>	Croatia <sup>3</sup>	Japan <sup>3</sup>	Paraguay <sup>2</sup>	Switzerland <sup>3</sup>
Australia <sup>3</sup>	Czech Republic <sup>3</sup>	Jordan <sup>3</sup>	Peru <sup>3</sup>	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia <sup>3</sup>
Austria <sup>3</sup>	Denmark <sup>3</sup>	Kenya <sup>3</sup>	Poland <sup>3</sup>	Trinidad and Tobago <sup>2</sup>
Azerbaijan <sup>3</sup>	Dominican Republic <sup>3</sup>	Kyrgyzstan <sup>3</sup>	Portugal <sup>2</sup>	Tunisia <sup>3</sup>
Belarus <sup>3</sup>	Ecuador <sup>2</sup>	Latvia <sup>3</sup>	Republic of Korea <sup>3</sup>	Turkey <sup>3</sup>
Belgium <sup>1</sup>	Estonia <sup>3</sup>	Lithuania <sup>3</sup>	Republic of Moldova <sup>3</sup>	Ukraine <sup>3</sup>
Bolivia (Plurinational State of) <sup>2</sup>	European Union <sup>3,4</sup>	Mexico <sup>2</sup>	Romania <sup>3</sup>	United Kingdom <sup>3</sup>
Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>3,6</sup>	Finland <sup>3</sup>	Montenegro <sup>3</sup>	Russian Federation <sup>3</sup>	United Republic of Tanzania <sup>3</sup>
Brazil <sup>2</sup>	France <sup>3</sup>	Morocco <sup>3</sup>	Serbia <sup>3</sup>	United States of America <sup>3</sup>
Bulgaria <sup>3</sup>	Georgia <sup>3</sup>	Netherlands <sup>3</sup>	Singapore <sup>3</sup>	Uruguay <sup>2</sup>
Canada <sup>3</sup>	Germany <sup>3</sup>	New Zealand <sup>2</sup>	Slovakia <sup>3</sup>	Uzbekistan <sup>3</sup>
Chile <sup>2</sup>	Hungary <sup>3</sup>	Nicaragua <sup>2</sup>	Slovenia <sup>3</sup>	Viet Nam <sup>3</sup>
China <sup>2</sup>	Iceland <sup>3</sup>	Norway <sup>2</sup>	South Africa <sup>2</sup>	
	Ireland <sup>3</sup>			

(Total 75)

<sup>1</sup> 1961 Convention as amended by the Additional Act of 1972 is the latest Act by which 1 State is bound.

<sup>2</sup> 1978 Act is the latest Act by which 17 States are bound.

<sup>3</sup> 1991 Act is the latest Act by which 55 States and 2 organizations are bound.

<sup>4</sup> Operates a plant breeders' rights system which covers the territory of its 28 member States (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom).

<sup>5</sup> Operates a plant breeders' rights system which covers the territory of its 17 member States (*Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, Togo*).

<sup>6</sup> Bosnia and Herzegovina will become bound by the 1991 Act on November 10, 2017.

## II. States and intergovernmental organizations which have initiated the procedure for acceding to the UPOV Convention

States (16):

Armenia, Brunei Darussalam, Egypt, Ghana, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Mauritius, Myanmar, Philippines, Tajikistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Zimbabwe

Organization (1):

African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)

(member States of ARIPO (19): *Botswana, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Swaziland, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe*)

## III. States and intergovernmental organizations which have been in contact with the Office of the Union for assistance in the development of laws based on the UPOV Convention

States (24):

Algeria, Bahrain, Barbados, Cambodia, Cuba, Cyprus, El Salvador, Indonesia, Iraq, Jamaica, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Libya, Liechtenstein, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Thailand, Tonga, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates and Zambia

Organization (1):

Southern African Development Community (SADC)

(member States of SADC (15): *Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe*)



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