Panel Discussion

organized by Association for Plant Breeding for Benefit of Society (APBREBES), Third World Network (TWN) and the South Centre (SC)

“Designing Sui Generis Plant Variety Protection System in Developing Countries and the Role of WIPO”

7th October 2016 (Friday), 1pm-3pm
WIPO New Building Room 0.107

Light lunch offered to participants

This panel will critically discuss the relevance of UPOV to agricultural systems of developing countries and elaborate on options to develop plant variety protection systems appropriate for developing countries and that are consistent with FAO’s International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (the Plant Treaty), the CBD and the Nagoya Protocol. It will also discuss WIPO’s technical assistance in the area of plant variety protection.

Moderator: Viviana Munoz, South Centre
Speakers
- Francois Meienberg (Public Eye–formerly Berne Declaration); Impact of UPOV & Interrelations with Plant Treaty, CBD & Nagoya Protocol
- Sangeeta Shashikant (Third World Network); Developing Sui Generis Plant Variety Protection Appropriate for Developing Countries
- Nirmalya Syam (South Centre); PVP & the Role of WIPO

Discussants
- Mr. Marco Aleman, Acting Director, Patent Law Division, WIPO
- Daniela Llanos, Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Bolivia
- Dr. K. Srikar Reddy, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of India to WTO