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Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting 2020

This document contains the Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting 2020, published on the ISTA web site two months prior to the ISTA Ordinary General Meeting 2021.

If there are no comments requiring amendment to the minutes within the subsequent two-month period, the minutes will be considered approved. If there are comments and the comments are accepted by the Executive Committee, then the minutes including the comments will be considered approved and published on the ISTA web site.

Any comments about these minutes will be considered at the Ordinary General Meeting 2021.

Due to the COVID-19 situation the ECOM decided to cancel the ISTA Annual Meeting 2020, which was due to take place in May in Verona (IT).

This also effects the Ordinary General Meeting (OGM), which was scheduled for 28 May 2020.

As an Association under Swiss law, ISTA needs to hold an Ordinary General Meeting. This meeting was formally held as a written vote after the webinars. Voting was begun on 28 May and concluded 5 June.

This decision follows the Swiss Regulation concerning the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on Ordinary General Meetings – Generalversammlung (Art. 6a Abs. 1 lit. a COVID-19-Verordnung 2). The Swiss Regulation has precedence over the ISTA Articles. To prepare for the OGM and the annual voting process two virtual meetings were held in the form of webinars:

(a) Rules Session to discuss the Rules changes on 19 May 2020.

(b) information session to summarize and discuss all the information given in the preparatory documents on 28 May 2020.

Recordings of the webinars and approved documents are available on ISTA website.

Roll Call of Designated Members entitled to vote

Argentina	Ignacio Aranciaga
Australia	William Roland Fuller
Austria	Andreas Ratzenboeck
Belgium	Anja Ritserveldt
Brazil	José Maurício Pereira
Canada	Steve Jones
Chile	Luis Riveros Cuadra
Croatia	Sanja Spoljaric-Markovic
Cyprus	Christos Christou
Czech Republic	Barbora Dobiášová
Denmark	Sigyn Valgrind
Egypt	Marwa Hassan
Estonia	Kristina Soon
Finland	Leena Pietilä
France	Clotilde Polderman-Roussille
Germany	Berta Killermann
Hungary	Zita Ripka
India	Keshavulu Kunusoth
Iran	Bitá Oskouei
Ireland	Brian O`Connor
Israel	Meriam Dekalo-Keren
Italy	Rita Zecchinelli
Japan	Hiroyuki Fujiwara
Latvia	Inita Sabitova
Lithuania	Arvydas Basiulis
Luxemburg	Julia De Cillia
Malawi	Grace Kaudzu
Mexico	Marco Antonio Caballero Garcia
The Netherlands	Erik van Egmond
New Zealand	Craig R. McGill
Norway	Eivin Meen
Philippines	Ruel C. Gesmundo

Poland	Irena Gera
Portugal	Paula Carvalho
Republic of Korea	Eunsun Chung
Russian Federation	Alexander Malko
Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	Wen-Chuan Chung
Serbia	Tanja Petrovic
Slovak Republic	Monika Holubicova
Slovenia	Romana Rutar
Spain	Ana Patricia Fernández-Getino García
Sri Lanka	Janake Samaranayake
Sweden	Pernilla Andersson
Switzerland	Annette Büttner Mainik
Thailand	Papassorn Wattanakulpakin
Turkey	Ali Erden
United Kingdom	Valerie Cockerell
United States of America	Ernest Allen
Uruguay	Vanessa Sosa
Zambia	Baymolo Goma
Zimbabwe	Claid Mujaju

ISTA Voting Protocol 2020

Number of the voting members: 48

Document Title	Yes	No	Abstain	Status
Report of the ISTA Secretary General OGM20-03 Activity Report of the ISTA Committees 2019	48	0	0	Approved
ISTA Financial Report OGM Document OGM20-03 Activity Report of the ISTA Committees 2019	48	0	0	Approved
ISTA Budget 2020 and provisional Budget 2021 OGM Document OGM20-03 Activity Report of the ISTA Committees 2019	48	0	0	Approved
BDO as ISTA external Financial Auditors for 2020	46	0	2	Approved
Fixation of Annual Subscription Fees for 2021	47	0	1	Approved

OGM20-04 Proposal for the Membership Fees 2021				
Reports of the ISTA Technical Committees OGM Document OGM20-03 Activity Report of the ISTA Committees 2019	48	0	0	Approved
Rules Proposals OGM20-05 'Proposed Changes for the International Rules for Seed Testing 2021 Edition:				
A1 Editorial corrections	47	1	0	Approved
C 3.1 Revision of Table 3A	48	0	0	Approved
C 4.1 Complete Test	48	0	0	Approved
C 4.2 Reduced Test	48	0	0	Approved
C 5.1 Germination method for <i>Brassica napus</i>	34	14	0	Approved
C 5.2 Precision on light for germination tests	46	1	1	Approved
C 5.3 Reporting results	47	0	1	Approved
C 5.4 Change in the germination evaluation of roots for <i>Helianthus annuus</i> to allow secondary roots	45	1	2	Approved
C 7.1 Sample and subsample size	44	1	3	Approved
C 7.2 Identification Criteria	44	0	4	Approved
C 7.3 Safety precautions	44	0	4	Approved
C 9.1 Changes to the use of "must", "should", and "may".	47	1	0	Approved
C 9.2 Containers for Moisture Testing in Chapter 9	47	0	1	Approved
C 9.3 Use of mesh instead of meshes	47	0	1	Approved
C 9.4 Clarification of working sample	48	0	0	Approved
C 9.5 Moisture method for <i>Carica papaya</i>	47	0	1	Approved
C 15.1 Clarification of the assessment of radicle emergence for <i>Zea mays</i> and <i>Triticum aestivum</i> subsp. <i>aestivum</i> in the radicle emergence test	46	1	1	Approved