

MEMORANDUM

about understanding between Ukrainian Institute for Plant Variety Examination (Ukraine) and State Plant Protection Service (Republic of Latvia)

1. General provisions

The object of this memorandum of understanding is to promote bilateral cooperation between the Parties in the field of agriculture.

The Parties conclude this memorandum in view of the growing role of science and technology in modern agricultural production and recognizing the importance of technical cooperation among States Parties through the exchange of information, experience and research findings in the field of agriculture

2. The areas of cooperation of the Parties

For the implementation of this memorandum, the Parties define the following areas of cooperation:

in the field of agriculture, in accordance with their current legislation, rules and practices. In particular, special efforts will be made to encourage such cooperation in the following areas:

- horticulture, vegetable growing, field crops;
- holding joint events (seminars, trainings, lectures, conferences, etc.);
- exchange of scientific information;
- joint scientific research and implementation of results;
- laboratory tests and GMOs;

any other form of cooperation agreed by the Parties.

3. Mutual commitments

The Parties shall cooperate on the principles of equality, openness and virtue.

The Parties shall cooperate with each other on the implementation of the items of this memorandum through authorized representatives delegated by the Parties for consideration of current issues and joint activities. Authorized representatives are: from Ukrainian Institute for Plant Variety Examination – Deputy Director for Scientific Work Larysa Prysiachniuk, email: prysiazhniuk_l@ukr.net, Tel. (+380) 674399392; from State Plant Protection Service of the Republic of Latvia - Director of Seed Control Department Liena Jaunzeme, email: Liena.Jaunzeme@vaad.gov.lv, Tel. (+371) 26109393.

The Parties agree that the terms of this memorandum are not confidential and may be made available to interested third parties as necessary.

Any amendments to this Memorandum shall be made in writing and with the consent of the Parties.

4. Final provisions

The Parties consider this memorandum to be a declaration of intent that does not result in legal or financial consequences or obligations for any of them.

The relations of the Parties set out in this memorandum are solely those of the independent parties.

Each Party shall have the right to cooperate with any third party on any matter similar to those provided for in this memorandum. None of the provisions of this memorandum will prevent either Party from entering into other agreements with others.

All disputes regarding the interpretation and application of the provisions of this memorandum will be resolved through diplomatic negotiations and consultations between the Parties.

This memorandum shall enter into force on the date of its signature and shall remain in force during the activities of the Parties.

The termination of the memorandum shall enter into force three months after the notification by the Party concerned. Thereafter, the memorandum shall lapse, except for the settlement of claims arising up to the day on which the memorandum lapsed, and any ongoing activities for the implementation of specific projects under this memorandum.

The text of the memorandum is drawn up in 2 (two) copies in Ukrainian and English, 1 (one) copy for each Party, all texts being equally authentic.

Done in Kyiv _____

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