

NAREEE ADVISORY BOARD

NATIONAL GENETIC RESOURCES ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, April 21, 2016 – Friday, April 22, 2016

University of Georgia Research Garden Education Building, Griffin, GA

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- 8:30 am – 8:45 am** **Welcome and Introduction of Members**
Michele Esch, Executive Director/Designated Federal Officer
- 8:45 am – 8:50 am** **Safety and Hospitality**
Dr. Gary Pederson, Host and Research Leader, ARS
Shirley Morgan-Jordan, Program Support Coordinator
- 8:50 am – 9:15 am** **Opening Comments and Updates**
Dr. Manjit Misra, Chair, NGRAC
- 9:15 am – 9:30 am** **Comments from REE Leadership** (by VTC/phone)
Dr. Catherine Woteki, Under Secretary, REE and USDA Chief Scientist
- 9:30 am – 9:45 am** **Discussion with REE Leadership**
- Part I: Outstanding Business**
- 9:45 am – 12:00 pm** **Crop Genetic Vulnerability**
- 9:45 am – 10:00 am **Introduction and Recap**
 Dr. Stephen Smith, Dr. Jane Dever, Dr. Matthew Dillon
- 10:00 am – 10:20 am **Maize Crop Germplasm Committee**
 *Dr. William Tracy, Chair and Professor, Plant Breeding in Organic
 Agriculture, University of Wisconsin*
- 10:20 am – 10:40 am **Cotton Crop Germplasm Committee**
 *Dr. Todd Campbell, Chair and Research Geneticist, USDA-ARS (by
 VTC/phone) and Dr. Jane Dever, NGRAC Member and Co-Chair*
- 10:40 am – 11:00 am **Soybean Crop Germplasm Committee**
 Dr. Randy Nelson, Committee Member and Research Leader, ARS
- 11:00 am – 11:45 am **Discussion**
- 11:45 am – 12:00 pm **Recommendations**
- 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm** **Working Lunch**
- Tour of the Plant Genetic Resources Conservation Unit**
 Dr. Gary Pederson, Research Leader, ARS

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Part II: New Business

- 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm** **Crop Wild Relatives and Interdependence among Countries in Plant Genetic Resources**
- 2:00 pm – 2:45 pm **Presentation**
Dr. Colin Houry, ARS Post-Doc & Research Scientist/Crop Diversity Specialist, International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT)
- 2:45 pm – 3:15 pm **Discussion with Dr. Houry**
- 3:15 pm – 3:30 pm **Recommendations**
- 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm** **Update and Status of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources & the Nagoya Protocol (by VTC/phone)**
- 3:30 pm – 3:50 pm **International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources**
Katlyn Scholl, Foreign Affairs Officer, U.S. Department of State
- 3:50 pm – 4:10 pm **Nagoya Protocol**
Stephanie Aktipis, Foreign Affairs Officer, U.S. Department of State
- 4:10 pm – 5:15 pm **Discussion**
- 5:15 pm – 5:30 pm **Recommendations**
- 5:30 pm – 5:45 pm** **Public Comment**
- 5:45 pm** **Adjourn for Evening**
- 6:30 pm** **Group Dinner and Evening Session**
Barnstormer's Grill (Library Room)
Williamson, GA
- Issues Impacting the National Plant Genetics Program**
Responding to Germplasm Requests for Non-Researchers and Backyard Hobbyists
Dr. Gary Pederson, Research Leader, ARS
- Discussion**
Recommendations

