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Plant Gene Resources of Canada (PGRC) 50 Years Anniversary – Virtual Event, October 1, 2020
Le 50e anniversaire des Ressources phytogénétiques du Canada (RPC) – Événement en ligne, 1 octobre, 2020

Time (CST)	Duration	Name	Presentation title	Organization
8:00	5 min	Anissa Lybaert	Event chair welcome and instructions to participants	Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC), Associate Director Biological Collections Division, Ottawa, Canada
Section: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) and Plant Gene Resources of Canada (PGRC)				
8:05	5 min	Felicitas Katepa-Mupondwa	Welcome from Saskatoon Research and Development Centre	AAFC, Director Research, Development and Technology, Saskatoon Research and Development Centre, Saskatoon, Canada
8:10	5 min	Annette Gibbons	Opening remark from Department AAFC	AAFC, Associate Deputy Minister, Ottawa, Canada
8:15	5 min	Javier Gracia-Garza	Maintaining collections as national assets	AAFC, Director General, Ontario - Quebec Region, Ottawa, Canada
8:20	5 min	Benoit Girard	Canada's contributions to the international efforts in plant genetic resources conservation and utilization	AAFC, Director General, Coastal Region, Kentville, Canada
8:25	10 min	Michèle Marcotte	AAFC's Biodiversity and Bioresources Strategy	AAFC, Director Research, Development and Technology, Ottawa, Canada
8:35	15 min	Brad Fraleigh	Plant Gene Resources of Canada – The early years	AAFC, Senior Science Manager, Multilateral Relations, Ottawa, Canada
8:50	10 min	Axel Diederichsen	Plant Gene Resources of Canada – The years 1998 to 2020	AAFC, PGRC Curator, Research Scientist, PGRC, Saskatoon Research and Development Centre, Saskatoon, Canada
9:00	5 min	Benoit Bizimungu	Canadian Potato Genetic Resources (CPGR)	AAFC, CPGR Curator, Research Scientist, Fredericton Research and Development Centre, Fredericton, Canada
9:05	15 min		Discussion	
9:20	10 min		Break	

Section: Genebanks and plant genetic resources				
9:30	15 min	Igor Loskutov	N.I. Vavilov's impact on the work with plant genetic resources for food and agriculture in the 21st century	Professor, Curator, N.I. Vavilov Institute for Plant Genetic Resources, St. Petersburg, Russian Federation
9:45	15 min	Peter Bretting	A snapshot of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture at the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)	USDA/ARS Office of National Programs, Beltsville, MD, USA
10:00	10 min	Fernando De La Torre Sanchez	Plant genetic resources for food and agriculture in Mexico	Director del Centro Nacional de Recursos Genéticos, Instituto Nacional de Investigaciones forestales, agrícolas y pecuarias, Jalisco, Mexico
10:10	10 min	Lise Lykke Steffensen	Plant genetic resources in circumpolar countries	Director, Nordic Genetic Resources Centre, Alnarp, Sweden
10:20	10 min	Cheikh Alassane Fall	Principales limites de la gestion des ressources phytogénétiques pour l'alimentation et l'agriculture au Sénégal	Chercheur senior, Bureau Ressources Génétiques et Propriété Intellectuelle, Institut sénégalais de recherches agricoles, Dakar, Senegal
10:30	15 min		Discussion	
10:45	15 min		Break	
Section: International context for plant genetic resources for food and agriculture				
11:00	10 min	Kent Nnadozie	How the ITPGRFA integrates genebanks in the wider context	Secretary, International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, Rome, Italy
11:10	10 min	Stefano Diulgheroff	The role of <i>ex situ</i> conservation for PGRFA globally	Information Management Officer of the Plant Production and Protection Division of FAO, Secretariat of the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, Rome, Italy
11:20	10 min	Hannes Dempewolf	The importance of national genebanks in the global system of <i>ex situ</i> conservation	Senior Scientist, Global Crop Diversity Trust, Bonn, Germany
11:30	10 min	Discussion		

Section: Work with plant genetic resources for food and agriculture

11:40	10 min	Yong-Bi Fu	Molecular characterization of PGRC germplasm	AAFC, Research Scientist, Saskatoon Research and Development Centre, Saskatoon, Canada
11:50	10 min	Katy Navabi	The Mission of DivSeek International Network	Program Director, DivSeek International Network Inc., Global Institute for Food Security, Saskatoon, Canada
12:00	10 min	Randy Kutcher	Discovering new sources of plant disease resistance	Professor, Plant Pathology, College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada
12:10	10 min	Helen Booker	Plant genetic resources - a plant breeder's perspective	GFO Wheat Breeder, Department of Plant Agriculture, Ontario Agricultural College, University of Guelph, Guelph, Canada
12:20	10 min	Jane Rabinowicz	On farm development of genetic resources in Canada	Executive Director, SeedChange / Sème l'avenir (USC Canada), Montreal, Canada
12:30	25 min		Discussion	
12:55	5 min	Axel Diederichsen, Anissa Lybaert	Summary and closure	
13:00	End of the event			

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