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**To:** [Eric Young](#)  
**Cc:** [Bretting, Peter](#); [Jane DeMarchi](#)  
**Subject:** Re: International Treaty Discussion at AES Director's Workshop  
**Date:** Monday, June 30, 2014 8:08:15 AM

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This looks reasonable to me.  
-scott

On Jun 26, 2014, at 9:12 AM, Eric Young <[eyoung@ncsu.edu](mailto:eyoung@ncsu.edu)> wrote:

Peter, Jane, and Scott - Based on Peter's response below, let's rethink the schedule for this session. Below is another approach, let me know what you think.

Background - 20 min. Peter  
Panel - 40 min. (10 each)  
    Federal - Peter  
    Industry - Tom or Stephen  
    University - Scott  
    Ratification - Jane or Hunt  
Q&A - 30 min. All speakers

We might be trying to do too much in 90 min. Maybe 30 min is too much for Q&A and we should give more time for speakers? This can be rearranged completely, let me know your thoughts.

Jane, have you talked with Tom or Stephen about doing this? As soon as you're able to confirm an industry speaker, I'll get them in the email loop.

Thanks everyone. Eric

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On Jun 25, 2014, at 11:13 AM, "Bretting, Peter" <[Peter.Bretting@ars.usda.gov](mailto:Peter.Bretting@ars.usda.gov)> wrote:

**Hi Eric—7 or 8 years ago I delivered similar presentations at ASTA's research meetings in Chicago and elsewhere. If the audience is unfamiliar with the ITPGRFA and the CBD then much background must be covered to tell a coherent story. Those earlier presentations were 35-40 min long. If necessary I could trim that to 20 min at the absolute minimum and then try to cover some of the gaps in a Q & A session.**

**Peter**

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**From:** Eric Young [<mailto:eyoung@ncsu.edu>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 25, 2014 9:43 AM  
**To:** Bretting, Peter  
**Cc:** Jane DeMarchi  
**Subject:** Re: International Treaty Discussion at AES Director's Workshop

Thanks Peter, I'll make that change. I was going to ask you and Jane your opinion on how much time should be allotted to each speaker. I'd like to leave at least 20 min for Q&A, so we could give 20 min each to the first three speakers and 10 min on ratification. Another option would be 20 min for background & ARS, 15 min for industry and university, 10 min on ratification, and 30 for Q&A with all speakers as a panel.

What do you and Jane think?

Thanks. Eric

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On Jun 25, 2014, at 9:11 AM, "Bretting, Peter"  
<[Peter.Bretting@ARS.USDA.GOV](mailto:Peter.Bretting@ARS.USDA.GOV)> wrote:

**Hi Eric—thanks for the note. Could you please change the title of my presentation to something like: “Background for and U. S. Administration Perspective on the FAO International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture and other International Agreements”?**

**How much time will be allotted for the presentation?**

**Much appreciated,**

**Peter**

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**From:** Eric Young [<mailto:eyoung@ncsu.edu>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 25, 2014 8:50 AM

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**Subject:** International Treaty Discussion at AES Director's Workshop

Scott - Jerry Arkin suggested that I contact you to ask if you could participate in a session on the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture during the AES Director's Workshop on Oct 2 from 1:30 to 3:00 at Jekyll Island, GA. I understand you've already agreed to present during the UGA session on the afternoon of Oct 1.

Below is some background on the reason and objective for this session.

Jane DeMarchi (VP, Government and Regulatory Affairs for ASTA) met with me two weeks ago during their convention to discuss how to gain the AES Directors support for Senate ratification of the International Treaty.

From our conversation it was clear that the best way to gain AES support for this was to first educate the directors on the Treaty's ramifications, both un-ratified and ratified. By chance, there was an open session on the program for our fall national Workshop, so it was decided this topic would be presented in that session.

Below is a draft outline of how Jane, Peter Bretting, and I think the session might flow. This can be modified or changed completely, so we'd be happy to hear your ideas on how best to present this topic and gain the directors' support. Are you willing and able to present the university point of view during this session?

**International Germplasm Exchange** – Moderator: Eric Young

- Background and ARS Point of View on International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture and Other Relevant International Agreements – Peter Bretting, ARS
- Industry Point of View – Tom Nickson, Monsanto, or Stephen Smith, DuPont Pioneer
- University Point of View – (breeder w/experience in international germplasm exchange)
- Potential for Senate Ratification of International Treaty – Jane DeMarchi, ASTA, and Hunt Shipman, Cornerstone
- Q&A and Discussion

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks for considering this request.

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On Jun 24, 2014, at 5:00 PM, Gerald F Arkin  
<[garkin@uga.edu](mailto:garkin@uga.edu)> wrote:

Scott Jackson, UGA breeder/geneticist, I am told by Bob will be participating in ESS meeting. If scheduling works he is willing to participate

in the planned treaty conversation. He is familiar with the treaty and its potential impact on programs. If scheduling does not work, he suggested Susan McCouch, Cornell breeder/geneticist who is working with treaty. I told Scott either you, Peter or Bob would get back to him with details.

Jerry

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