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Hi Eric, I can present something. we are working with parts of the treaty through the Global Crop Diversity Trust, now based in Germany. Susan McCouch would be eminently more qualified as the Treaty office (full of lawyers) have bought out her summers from Cornell so she is working for the Treaty. If you want me, though, I can definitely give my personal and University perspectives on it.

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On Jun 25, 2014, at 8:49 AM, Eric Young <[eyoung@ncsu.edu](mailto:eyoung@ncsu.edu)> wrote:

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