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Seed Treatment Working Group

ASTA Annual Convention 2015

Seed Treatment Working Group



Main goals:

- › Facilitate Treated Seed Trade across the Americas
- › Promote safe use of Seed Applied Technology

Regulatory Activities



- › Identification and Contact Info of the Regulatory Agencies from each Country in the Americas

- › Questionnaire regarding Seed Trade, Regulatory and Labeling Information
 - Argentina, Brazil, Chile, México : **Completed**
 - Biggest Challenge come from Non Member Countries (Caribbean and Andean Countries)
 - Need info from US and Canada

Questionnaire Preliminary Outcomes



- › Main Crops Being Moved Across Countries :
 - Corn and Sorghum
 - Small Seeded and Large Seeded Vegetables
 - Oilseeds (mainly Soy and Canola)
 - Grass and Legume Forage Seed

- › Phytosanitary Requirements are listed for each Reporting Country, with detailed info through Links to the Agencies' Websites

- › Labeling of Seed Applied Technologies, overall is not a requirement in most reporting Countries. The majority of requirements are for the Phytosanitary Documentation

Next Steps on Regulatory Activities



- › Complete Questionnaires from all Member Countries
- › Reach out to Non Member Countries to also Complete Questionnaire, or at least gather some Relevant Info on Movement of Treated Seed
- › Based on Labeling Regulation Outcomes, the Group should construct a recommendation for a Standardized Labeling that should be Grower Friendly
- › Build Data Base with all information collected and make it available to SAA Members through the Association's Website

Seed, Seed Treatment and Treated Seed Handling Guides and Training Materials



- › Leveraging on existing Guides and Training Courses available through the Industry (ASTA)
- › Translation to Spanish and Portuguese of these materials
- › Leverage Industry Resources and Training Centers available throughout the Americas
- › Engage Local Seed Associations and their members to make the most of all these materials to ensure the Value of Seed Applied Technologies Protecting the Genetics' Potential and Growers' Investment in those Genetics
- › Differentiate and Promote the Use of Certified Seed across all Crops and Countries

Other 2015 Activities



- › Based on List of Main Crops' Seed being moved across countries, will help us Create the Following Data base :
 - Brand Names, Doses and Als registered across the Americas
 - List of Seed Applied Technology Providers in each Country
 - Seed Applied Technology Provider Contact Info
- › Annual Revision of these Data Basis is required, to keep up with the Industry's Dynamics
- › 2015 SAA Convention – Cancun, México (September 8 – 10)

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