

IGTC Newsletter 20 May 2016

Did you know? Over the last ten days the new IGTC flyer has been circulated in three countries, over two continents! We are also keen to distribute your literature via our display table at the IGC Conference in London on June 14 – contact the IGTC Secretariat to secure your space!

Events

IGTC Strategy Session June 13, London

Please join the global delegation of grain trade leaders that have already confirmed their participation in the IGTC's Strategy Session on June 13 in London.

Registration here.

20% IGTC discount: IGC Conference, June 14, London

Obtain your 20% discount on attendance at the IGC conference 'Changing dynamics: the new trading environment' by writing directly to conf@igc.int quoting the discount code: (IGTC16).

Links

IGTC in Action

Outreach in Geneva

On May 10 IGTC President Gary C. Martin led a briefing session for an audience of WTO government representatives, the UN's FAO, Corporate Stakeholders, the World Bank and other Geneva actors. The aim was to promote the IGTC's mission and increase awareness about our collective work to facilitate the global trade of grain.



Issues covered related to the IGTC's mandate, which focuses on global policies to support the global trade of grains, oilseeds, pulses and other agri-bulks. A full report of the meeting is here, and a website article here.

IGTC takes centre stage at World Seed Congress, Uruguay



The IGTC was on the podium in Uruguay at this week's World Seed Congress, with over 250 representatives of the seed industry in the audience. The panel, which included presentations from a private seed company in India, a public researcher from IRRI (International Rice Research Institute) and the

US fruit and vegetable industry, focused on the importance of having predictable, transparent and consistent international approaches to plant breeding technologies by governments. The IGTC gave a unique graintrade perspective on the regulation of plant breeding techniques, highlighting the urgent need to avoid trade disruptions through international alignment of policies and legal certainty across jurisdictions.

Rome: IPPC Industry Advisory Group on ePhytos

IGTC Website

IGTC list of members





The IGTC participated in the first Industry Advisory Group (IAG) for the IPPC/STDF ePhyto hub project - a centralized server to facilitate exchange of electronic certificates between NPPOs. During the 9 May meeting in Rome, IGTC President Gary C. Martin confirmed the Coalition's support for the eHub and highlighted the

innovation that is taking place across the global grain trade, with important developments in e-documentation to increase the security of transactions and cost efficiencies. The IGTC's full report of the meeting can be read here.

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