

# Capacity building activities for the Nagoya Protocol

Activities by the EU and some  
member states

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## NP: Capacity building and awareness raising



Why do you need these in the EU?

- NP is “new”
- Relatively few Member states have ratified NP so far, many in process of ratification
- EU regulation on compliance into force June 2014 and fully applicable as of October 2015
- Many complaints about implementation constraints and challenges ; many uncertainties

# Workshops for researchers

## EU ABS Regulation Training Workshops

2015: Brussels – Paris – London – Berlin – Firenze

### Venue



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2016: Sweden – Nederland – Poland – Eastern European country/Ireland

- Target audience: senior academics and experienced researchers conducting research and development on genetic resources

- Understand their obligations
- Which steps to follow
- And practical measures to be taken

- Morning session : Nagoya Protocol and EU regulation
- Afternoon session: interactive case studies

# Guidelines development

## Sectors:

- animal breeding,
- plant breeding,
- pharma,
- cosmetics (incl. cosmetic suppliers),
- bio-control,
- biotechnology,
- food –feed and beverage
- Research community and collections added later stage

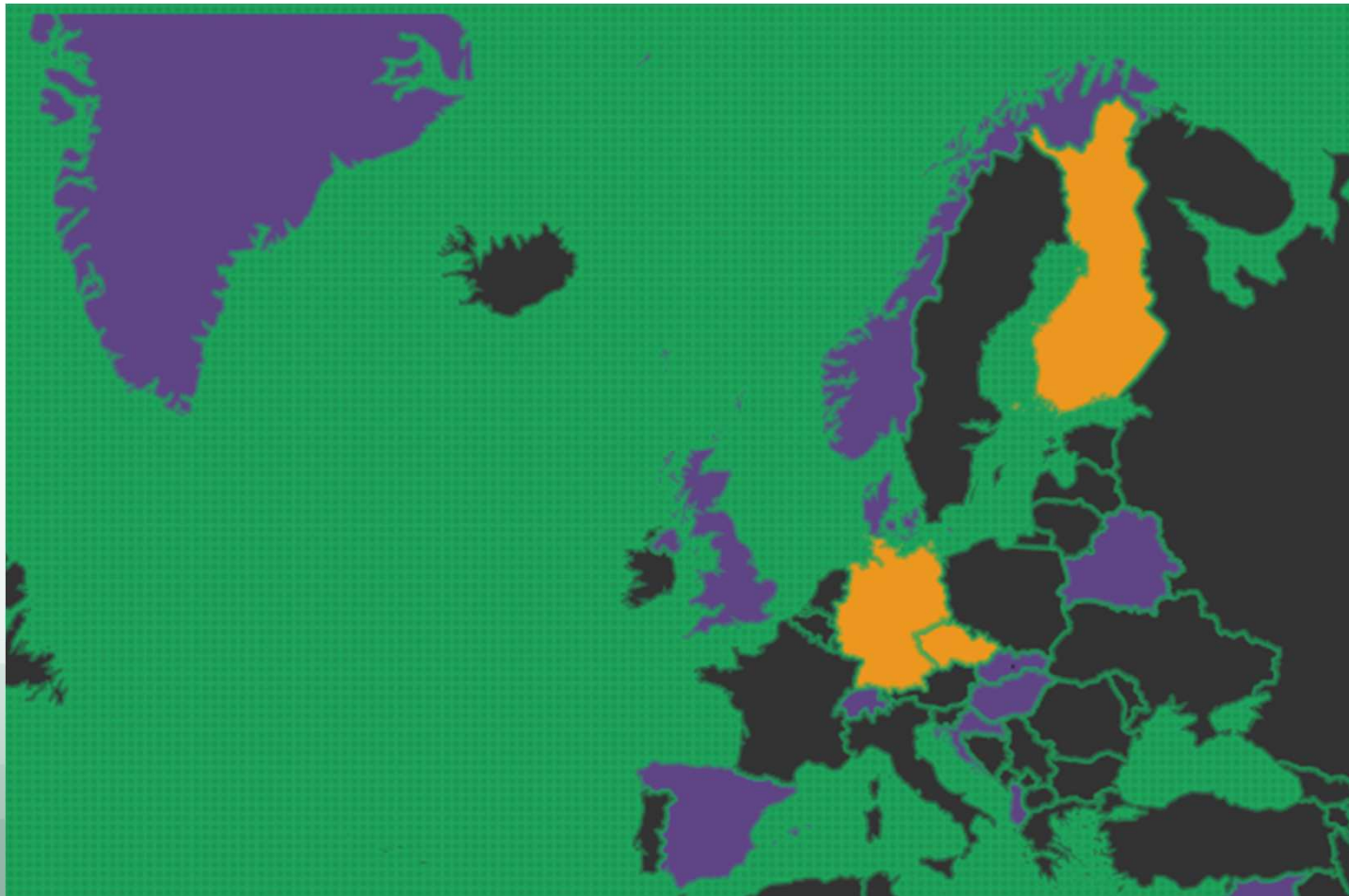
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## Participatory work:

- Involvement of Stakeholders from start
- Translate what it means for each individual sector – support in understanding the obligations of the Regulation in relation to specific activities undertaken by respective sectors
- Later stage involvement by Member States NP experts

# Capacity building by Member States

No overview available on activities from all members



# Capacity building by Member States

- Selected examples

- Spain (Party): Organised information meetings and awareness raising campaign

- UK/DE (ratified in 2016): Organised series of meetings with different sectors

- Belgium (non Party, will ratify in 2016):

- Several stakeholders capacity building workshops:

- General stakeholders < 2014

- Scientific community:

- Federal and other research institutes: 2 workshops in 2015

- General scientific community: 2015

- Once Party : several workshops foreseen



## Conclusions

- Many questions → Still a lot needs to be done
- Ensure that all participants are on same level of understanding of the NP in workshops
- Some good signs : Questions get more specific → people start understanding the NP, the EU regulation and national legislation ?
- Sectoral approach good way forward



Thank you!

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