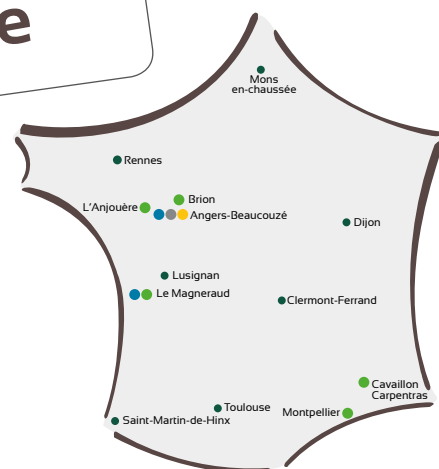


# GEVES's missions

## France



- Animation of the **PGR CTPS Section**
- Coordination of stakeholders involved in the conservation of **Plant Genetic Resources (PGR)**

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- Animation of **CTPS sections**
- CTPS general administration
- Participation in **CTPS committees**
- Conducting and analysing **DUS** and **VCUS** trials (field and lab trials)
- Research

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- **DUS trials**
- Hosting of **INOV**

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- Seed testing
- Method development
- **NRL seeds and seedlings**, monitoring the network of seed testing laboratories (training, audits, guidance, ILC)
- Participation in research programmes

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## Genetic Resources

Recognition of stakeholders and PGR collections  
Compliance with international agreements in France

## Plant breeding



**Registration** of varieties in the official French Catalogue  
= marketing authorisation



**Plant Variety Protection**  
(by PVR : Plant Variety Right)



## Seed Production (import/export)

**Seed certification** and other tests

**Assistance** in quality control

## International



- Representing France at EU level for the conservation of plant genetic resources
- Assisting the Ministry of Agriculture in international PGR issues

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- Collaborating with the CPVO and UPOV to harmonise the description and evaluation of varieties and methodological research
- Technical assistance in international agreements on regulations

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- Collaboration with ISTA to harmonise seed testing rules
- Methodological research

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### UPOV

In 2018, 7 GEVES experts participated in UPOV technical working groups. GEVES brings to these working groups its technical, statistical and IT development expertise. The documents drafted by these working groups are then submitted for validation by the UPOV Technical Committee, in which GEVES participates, then to the Council, of which the Ministry of Agriculture is a member, with the legal and technical support of INOV. These validated technical documents are recommendations for the Member Parties of the UPOV Convention. They are the basis for the technical documents transposed at EU level which are binding for accredited examination offices, such as GEVES. These international meetings are an opportunity to build relationships with other countries and experts, and to establish new cooperation and training programs.

### ISTA

GEVES is a member of ISTA (International Seed Testing Association) and is actively involved in developing new methods and sharing knowledge. 15 GEVES experts contribute regularly to the Executive Committee and the work of ISTA's 17 Technical Committees.

### CPVO

GEVES experts in various technical working groups took an active part in preparing protocols, consolidating the operating rules of CPVO-entrusted examination offices, and reflecting on future developments.  
2 GEVES experts at the IMODDUS working group set up by the CPVO (11-12 April 2018).  
1 GEVES expert at the meeting of fruit expert meeting (14-15 February in Paris and 18-19 September in Brno, Czech Republic).  
3 GEVES experts at the ornamental expert meeting (29-30 June 2018) organised in Hungary.  
2 GEVES experts at the agricultural expert meeting (5-6 September in Milan with more than 40 participants from different EU countries).  
4 GEVES experts at the vegetable expert meeting in Angers (3-4 December 2018).  
1 GEVES expert at the EO annual meeting (5-6 December 2018) which brings together the CPVO and all the TLOs of the European examination offices every year in Angers.