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on all cultivated species





- *1884* Creation of SNES
- ♦ 1905 First French law on seed trade
- IP32 Creation of the French official Catalogue of species and varieties
- 1942 Creation of CTPS
- IPGI Signature of Convention of Paris and creation of UPOV
- I971 Creation of GEVES as department of INRA
- 1987 Installation of GEVES first station in Anjou (Brion)
- ➡ 1989 GEVES becomes Public Interest Group
- IP93 SNES relocates to Beaucouzé (49)
- 2009 Relocation* of GEVES head office and experimental unit from Versailles (78) to Anjou (Beaucouzé & Anjouère)
- 20/2 CPOV becomes INOV (National Office for plant breeders rigths) and relocates to GEVES head office at Beaucouzé
- 2016 National Coordiation Structure of cultivated Plant Genetic Resources set up in 2016 by the French Ministry of Agriculture and Food



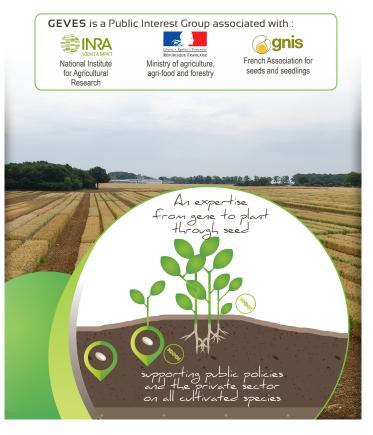
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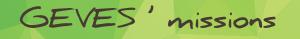


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Variety and Seed Study and control Group





Evaluation of all new plant varieties

for their registration on the official French catalogue, granted by the ministry in charge of Agriculture upon CTPS proposal (Technical Committee for Plant Breeding), and authorising their marketing

for their legal protection given at a national level by INOV (National Office for plant breeders rights) or at Community level by CPVO (Community Plant Variety Office), according to UPOV international convention (International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants)

- Control of quality and varietal conformity of seeds and plants within the framework of certification by SOC SOC en vue de la commercialisation, selon les règles internationales de l'ISTA
- Training courses including for laboratories certification, delivered by SOC
- Monitoring of a French network of laboratories for seed analyses
- Research and expertise

to improve methods and techniques at national and international levels

Manage national coordination of the preservation of the phyto-genetic ressources



Glossary

- CTPS Technical Committee for Plant Breeding
- **CPOV** Plant Breeders Rights Committee
- **INOV** National Office for plant breeders rights **OCVV** Community Plant Variety Office
- **UPOV** International Union for the protection of new varieties of plants
- **SOC** Official Service for Seed and Variety control and certification
- ISTA International Seed Testing Association



- Field and greenhouse tests, for registration and protection, following experimental protocols for each species
- A new variety must be Distinct, Uniform and Stable (DUS). Agricultural crops are additionally checked for Value for Cultivation, Use and Sustainability (VCUS)
- Activities of SEV are conducted on 12 locations and on field crops, vegetables, ornamentals, fruit trees and vine. Numerous trials for VCUS are run by breeders and other structures under GEVES supervision and control.





SNES, french official reference laboratory, manage:

- Analyses and controls of seed quality (certification, import-export, on-demand expertise)
- Sanitary quality analyses on seeds and resistance tests on plant varieties
- Monitoring and technical support for seed companies (110 laboratories)
- Training and technical qualification for laboratory engineers and technicians



Organised into 3 operating divisions