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| AHTEG     | Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group                                                                                                        |
| BSF       | Benefit Sharing Fund                                                                                                                 |
| CBD       | Convention on Biological Diversity                                                                                                   |
| CGIAR     | Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research                                                                            |
| CGRFA     | Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (as of 1995; formerly CPGR)                                                 |
| CIAT      | International Center for Tropical Agriculture<br>(Abbreviation for Spanish: Centro Internacional de Agricultura Tropical)            |
| CIMMYT    | International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center<br>(Abbreviation for Spanish: Centro Internacional de Mejoramiento de Maíz y Trigo) |
| CPGR      | Commission on Plant Genetic Resources (renamed CGRFA in 1995)                                                                        |
| CSO       | Civil Society Organization                                                                                                           |
| ETC Group | Action Group on Erosion, Technology and Concentration (as of 2001; formerly RAFI)                                                    |
| FAO       | Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations                                                                              |
| GPA       | Global Plan of Action for the Conservation and Sustainable Utilization of Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture           |
| IAP       | International Advisory Panel                                                                                                         |
| IARC      | International Agricultural Research Centre                                                                                           |
| IBP       | International Biological Programme                                                                                                   |
| IBPGR     | International Board for Plant Genetic Resources (renamed IPGRI in 1996)                                                              |
| ICARDA    | International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas                                                                      |
| IPGRI     | International Plant Genetic Resources Institute (as of 1996; formerly IBPGR; renamed Bioversity International in 2006)               |

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| IPK        | Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research<br>(Abbreviation for German: Leibniz-Institut für Pflanzengenetik und Kulturpflanzenforschung)       |
| ITPGRFA    | International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture<br>(short: Seed Treaty)                                                                 |
| IU / IUPGR | International Undertaking on Plant Genetic Resources                                                                                                             |
| MLS        | Multilateral System                                                                                                                                              |
| MSBP       | Millennium Seedbank Partnership                                                                                                                                  |
| NGO        | Non-Governmental Organisation                                                                                                                                    |
| PGR        | Plant Genetic Resources                                                                                                                                          |
| PCRFA      | Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture                                                                                                                 |
| RAFI       | Rural Advancement Foundation International (renamed ETC Group in 2001)                                                                                           |
| SDGs       | Sustainable Development Goals                                                                                                                                    |
| SCSV       | Svalbard Global Seed Vault                                                                                                                                       |
| SIS        | Svalbard International Seedbank                                                                                                                                  |
| SMTA       | Standard Material Transfer Agreement                                                                                                                             |
| STS        | Science and Technology Studies                                                                                                                                   |
| UNEP       | United Nations Environment Programme                                                                                                                             |
| UPOV       | International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants<br>(Abbreviation for French: Union Internationale pour la Protection des Obtentions Végétales) |