




National Forum on Seed
History and
Accomplishments
Phase 1 to Phase 3

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Phase 1

Seed Sector Review

- **Industry Advisory committee met three times:**
 - 1st Meeting - Winnipeg, July 30-31, 2003
 - 2nd Meeting - Winnipeg, October 28-29, 2003
 - 3rd Meeting - Winnipeg, December 4-5, 2003
- **Report of the Seed Sector Advisory Committee issued to CFIA in May 2004**

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Seed Sector Review

- **Creation of a Permanent Consultative Process to:**
 - provide important policy advice to government.
 - provide an efficient interface to government with the Seed Sector.
 - facilitate an industry consensus view on policy proposals.
 - provide cross-cutting support to the agendas of the three crop value chain roundtables.

→ **Creation of the *National Forum on Seed***

National Forum on Seed

- **5 Forum Meetings**
 - 1st Meeting – Winnipeg – April 6-7, 2005
 - Meeting – Teleconference – May 24, 2005
 - 2nd Meeting – Winnipeg – July 27, 2005
 - 3rd Meeting – Winnipeg – December 7, 2005
 - 4th Meeting – Winnipeg – March 23, 2006
 - 5th Meeting – Winnipeg – July 26-27, 2006
- **Variety Registration Working Group**
- **Innovation Working Group**

Phase 2

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- **Variety Registration Working Group**
- **Major focus of Phase II**
 - **VRWG I – Ottawa – January 20-21, 2005**
 - **VRWG II – Ottawa – June 20-21, 2005**
 - **VRWG III – Ottawa – October 25, 2005**
 - **VRWG IV – Ottawa – April 26, 2006**
- **Reports provided to CFIA related to the formation of a policy proposal on VR**
- **Need for future VRWG meetings to be determined**

Phase 2

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- **Innovation Working Group**
- **Focus: Regulatory frameworks that impact capacity and environment for innovation (e.g. PNTs)**
 - **Planning Workshop – Ottawa – October 26-27, 2005**
 - **Adventitious Presence WG – Ottawa – March 7, 2006**
 - **PNT WG – Ottawa – October 25, 2005**
- **Reports were issued to CFIA and Health Canada**

Phase 3

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- **6th Forum Meeting – Winnipeg, December 1, 2006**
- **CSCGs WG – Winnipeg, February 6, 2007**
- **7th Forum Meeting – Ottawa, March 26, 2007**
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