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Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol at national and regional level

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International conventions establish consensus standards and rules, which individual Parties may elaborate in more detail as long as their laws and policies do not run counter to the base agreement. In the case of ABS, the Nagoya Protocol calls for Parties to provide rules covering access, benefit sharing, compliance/non-compliance, and monitoring utilization. How this gets done at the regional/national level varies. This presentation will give a high-level overview of implementation of ABS rules in the EU, Brazil, and India. In addition, a short introduction on the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources will be given to create a global picture on ABS rules covering germplasm.