

**Debrief from Canada Global Minor Use Summit 3
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Winston Churchill Quote's

- **“If you are going through hell, keep going”**
- **“Never, never, never give up”**
- **“Now this is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is perhaps, the end of the beginning”**



Minor Crops/Minor uses – 1999/2000 Policy Procedure and the 2010 Minor crops registration document

- **Minor uses of agricultural remedies are defined as those desired uses of registered agricultural remedies for which the anticipated increase in the volume of sales is not sufficient to persuade the manufacturer or registration holder to carry out the research required for registration (1999/2000).**
- **Registration Guidelines for Minor uses (Minor crops) in South Africa 2010 does exist**



OBJECTIVES OF THE GMU3

- The objective of the third Global Minor Use Summit was to provide an update on the 5-year Work plan action items that resulted from the GMUS-2
 - Filling the Grower tool box (To ease trade barriers and MRLs compliance)
 - Developing Strategies for Specialty Crops
 - Minor Use Programs and Harmonization



OECD PAPERS DISCUSSED AT THE GMUS-3

- **OECD Guidance document on regulatory incentives for the registration of minor uses**
- **OECD Survey on efficacy and crop safety data requirements and guidance for the registration of pesticides for minor uses. Survey results**
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OECD Discussion paper's Points and Recommendations based on survey results in the OECD member countries

- Fee reductions or waivers (**Guidelines/regulations**)
- Extension or increased periods of data protection (**SA Laws?**)
- Liability (limitations or waivers) = (**Increases minor use problems**)
- Expedited reviews or fast tracking (**SADC?**)
- Reduced data requirements, data waivers, use and acceptance of international data or registrations (**Guidelines**)
- Grower assisted data generation programs (**e.g. IR4-Project**)
 - **Recommendations:**
 - » **Regulators and industry should engage on and information exchange on the successful implementation of regulatory incentives**
 - » **Review existing incentives, explore improvements in existing incentives and opportunities for new incentives**
 - » **Develop a guidance document on regulatory incentives for minor uses**



GMUS-3 SUMMIT GOING FOWARD PLAN (1. COOPERATION)

- Establish minor use champions in regions, to participate in annual meetings and workshops, communicate global activities and upcoming events (SA was represented in all GMU Summits/Grower Groups Champions do exist)
- Promote simultaneous reviews by national regulatory authorities
- Share data and study reviews between countries to foster mutual recognition
- Industry should identify opportunities to lodge simultaneous submissions for label extensions in minor uses in many regions (SA Registration holders?)



GMUS-3 SUMMIT GOING FOWARD PLAN (2. MAXIMUM RESIDUES LIMITS/MRLs)

- Regulators should review and publish list of substances exempt from MRLs (such as bio-pesticides and compounds of no toxicological concern)

» **Proposal:**

DoH should assist by updating the MRLs regulations

- Promote global adoption of APEC like procedures to establish MRLs including Codex

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DoH Should consider updating/developing the SA Food basket for MRLs calculations



GMUS-3 SUMMIT GOING FOWARD PLAN (3. INCENTIVES)

- **Compile existing incentives available (SA?) for the registration on minor uses, and encourage further adoption and expansion by other countries**



GMUS-3 SUMMIT GOING FORWARD PALN (4. CROP GROUPING)

- **FAO should consider issuing guidance document on the implementation of the classification of food and animal feeds and representative crop grouping and extrapolation as an international standard (Codex standards?)**
- **SA Proposals:**
 - » **DOH/DAFF/Stakeholder should establish a working group to focus on adapting Codex Crop Grouping with the aim of updating MRLs regulations**
 - » **DAFF/DoH/Stakeholders should establish edible flowers Working Group**
 - » **DAFF/DoH/Stakeholders should consider establishing champions for non food/feed and spices/herbs commodities**



GMUS-3 SUMMIT GOING FORWARD PALN (5. COMMUNICATION)

- Explore mechanisms to have Global MRLs Database accessible and publicly available (DOH/Agri-Intel?)
- Explore expansion of EU Minor use (EUMUDA) database to maintain priority lists, data holders, and country registers (DAFF)
- Establish minor use coordination committees (Grower Groups?)
- Increase face to face meeting or events with all relevant stakeholders on an annual basis (We are doing just that! Lindi's presentation!)
- Explore and expand communication tools through mechanisms such as social media



GMUS-3 GOING FOWAR PLAN (6. CAPACITY BUILDING)

- **Develop a white paper on capacity building needs considering the items identified at GMUS-3**



GMUS-3 GOING FOWAR PLAN (7. REGULATORY ASSESSMENT)

- **Utilize OECD guidance documents and explore adoption by FAO**
- **Develop an international crop grouping scheme for efficacy/target safety data for non-food/feed crops**
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GMUS-3 GLOBAL NEEDS DATABASE

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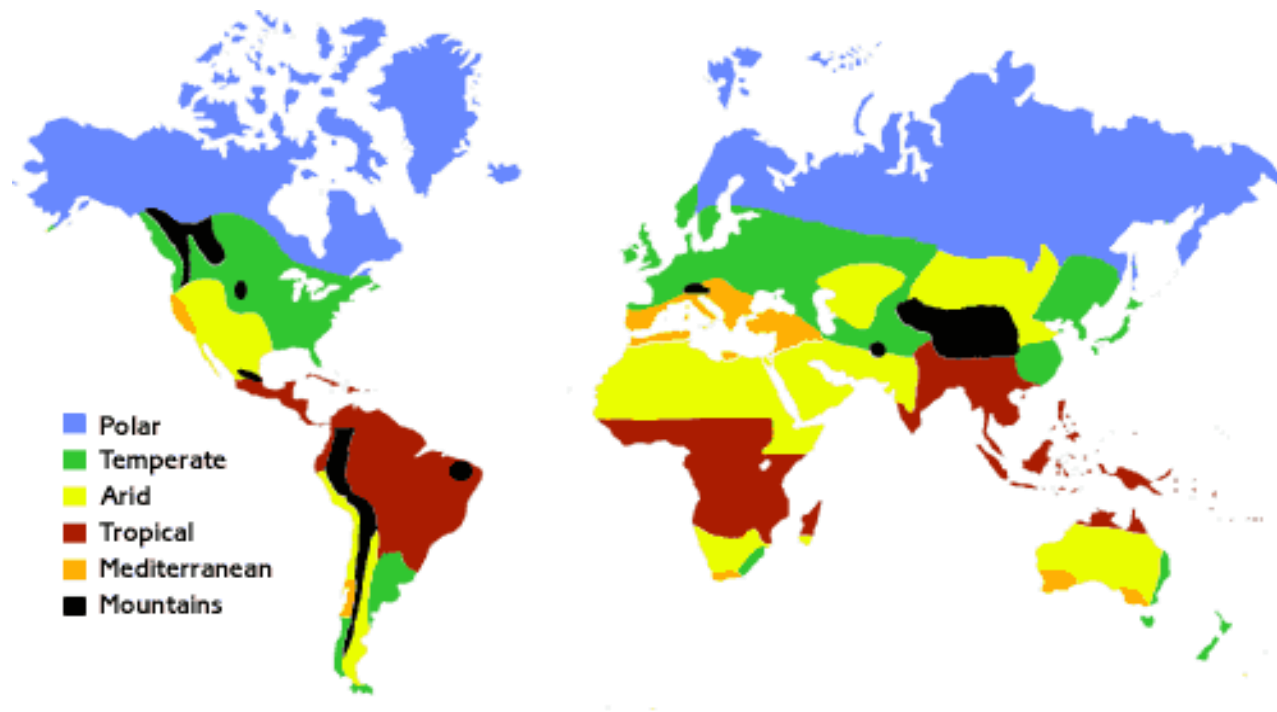
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SA Current Situation Regarding Regulatory Incentives

- **Efficacy/Residues data extrapolation (CODEX crop groups)**
- **Pest data extrapolation using crop groups e.g. bollworm occurring in crops belonging to the same crop groups (GAP)**
- **Acceptance of international data regarding residue and efficacy (Global climatic zones).**
- **The use of residue monitoring data generated for mainly for export purposes**
- **Fast tracking of registration applications where critical gaps exist (2010 Minor Crops Guidelines).**
- **2018 Draft Emergency Registration Protocol for quarantine/invasive pests/diseases/weeds**



USE OF CLIMATIC ZONES FOR DATA EXTRAPOLATION



THE GLOBAL BATTLE FOR MINOR USES/CROPS CONTINUES

“One finger cannot lift a pebble”

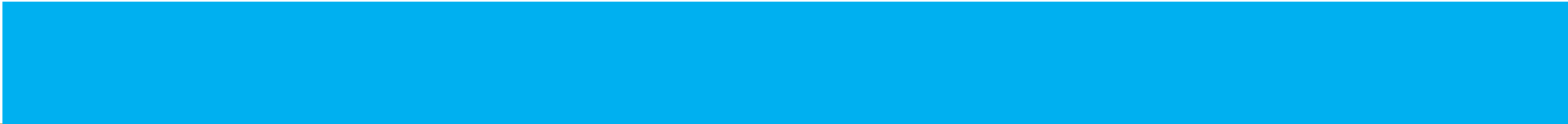
Bra Hugh Masekela (Send me)

***“I wanna be there when the people start
to turn it around”***



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