

# President's Monthly Activity Report

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## NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

### DMCC – IYP 2016 Gala Dinner

On November 7th there was a celebration of International Year of Pulses 2016 which was held at Conrad Dubai Hotel. The event was organized by the DMCC Food Trade Group and attended by 130 people.



*Special thanks to DMCC CEO Gautam Sashittal, Sudhakar Tomar and Atheeq Ansari for organizing this great IYP event.*



*from left to right: President Hüseyin Arslan; Mr. Ermias Eshetu, Ethiopian Commodity Exchange CEO; Mr. Tewodros Yilma, Managing director & owner of Alpha Trading Partners.*



DMCC CEO Gautam Sashittal and Sudhakar Tomar of Hakan Agro.



### Ethiopia – 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Pulses, Oilseeds and Spices

On November 16, 2016, [President Hüseyin Arslan](#) spoke on behalf of GPC at EPOSPEA's 6th International

marketing conference “Agri-commodity marketing for sustainable global trade.” He also took the opportunity of this trip to Ethiopia to meet with the Honorable Minister of Trade, Dr. Bekele Bulado and other high level officials to discuss continuing efforts to resolve issues surrounding pesticide residue levels.



### Ukraine Pulse Industry Convention

On November 17, 2016, President Arslan attended and spoke at Ukraine pulse industry's convention, which was entitled “Pulses. Focusing on Maximum Efficiency.” President Arslan also met with Olga Trofimtseva (Deputy Minister of Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine), Vasyl Antonenko (International Cooperation Department, Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine) and representatives of the [Community of Pulse](#)



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[Producers and Customers of Ukraine](#) (Ukraine pulse association) to discuss following matters:

- The potential for signing a memorandum of cooperation between Global Pulse Confederation and The Community of Producers and Consumers of Pulses of Ukraine towards empowering the development of Ukraine's pulse industry;
- Opportunities for effective cooperation and development of pulses in Ukraine;
- Membership of Pulse Community in GPC organization;
- Potential participation of Pulse Community in international events organized by GPC;
- Phytosanitary and other issues affecting international trade of pulses from Ukraine.



## CENTRAL AMERICA IYP 2016 PUBLIC RELATIONS EVENTS



*GPC Participates in Central America IYP 2016 Press Tour.*



## Colombia IYP 2016 Promotion Event

GPC Executive Director Randy Duckworth gave a presentation about IYP 2016 in Medellin, Colombia. Pictured above are program leaders that attended from CIAT, Colombia Bean Growers Association, Colombia Ministry of Agriculture, and the Colombia Nutritionists Association.



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## FAO IYP 2016 Global Dialogue

November 22-23 several members of the pulse industry attended a global dialogue for IYP 2016.



*Pulse Canada Board President Lee Moats comments.*



*IYP 2016 Reception sponsored by Canadian Ambassador Peter McGovern.*



## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

### Global Pulse Day 2017

GPC is tentatively planning to hold its own Global Pulse Day event in Dubai on January 18<sup>th</sup>. Please let us know of plans for your own Global Pulse Day events so we can help publicize them.

### IYP 2016 Closing Ceremony

President Huseyin Arslan and former President Hakan Bahceci plan to attend the official closing ceremony for IYP 2016, which will take place January 27-28 in Burkina Faso.

### 2017 GPC CSCA Vancouver Convention “Pulses – The Future of Food”

#### *Convention Registration*

The [pulses2017.com](http://pulses2017.com) website is under development and is scheduled to go live on January 30, 2017 (in coordination with the opening of registration and general sponsorship sales).

#### *Sponsorships*

Link to sponsorship portion of website will open on January 16 for legacy sponsors and to rest of world January 30. Questions regarding sponsorship opportunities can be directed to Honorary Sponsorship Chairman [Sudhakar Tomar](#).

#### *Chinese and Foreign Convention Registration Materials*

In order to meet the needs of the global pulse community we will be providing Chinese and Spanish translators at the convention for non-english speakers.



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