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Dominic Muyldermans, LL M, Independent legal attorney, studied law in Leuven and Strasbourg, and obtained a Master of Law (LL.M) from University College London. He has been a member of the Brussels bar, working as an attorney in the Intellectual Property Department of the law firm Allen & Overy. He has been senior counsel at Bayer CropScience, with global responsibilities for the rice market area, as well as for legal matters related to certain public and governmental affairs, with a focus on the CBD. He is now working as an independent attorney focusing on issues of Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) and Intellectual Property (IP). He has been advising CropLife International, an international federation of agricultural biotechnology companies, and other companies in biotech and pharma, as well as academia on ABS and IP for many years; and is also active within the International Chamber of Commerce on these matters. He is a regular speaker on these topics and has published several articles on ABS. He also been the representative of industry in the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Groups (AHTEG) on Digital Sequence Information (DSI) under the CBD and the Nagoya Protocol. He has been a regular speaker on IP and ABS issues at WIPO.