**CICLO DE CHARLAS**

**TEMA: SEMILLAS Y BIOTECNOLOGÍA**

1:30 a 1:50 p. m.: The official seed testing laboratory at CIGRAS: providing seed technical expertise and beyond, M.Sc. Ester Vargas

1:50 a 2:10 p. m.: The role of the National Seed Office to assure seed quality in Costa Rica, Ing. Walter Quirós, Director, Oficina Nacional de Semillas

2:10 a 2:30 p. m.: Biotechnological approaches for utilization of selected tropical fruit crops - examples from CIGRAS, Dr. Víctor Jiménez

2:30 a 3:30 p. m.: Experiences developing the Seed Biotechnology Center and Seed Central, what comes next?, Dr. Kent Bradford, Distinguished Professor and Director of the Seed Biotechnology Center, University of California, Davis

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