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THE SVALBARD GLOBAL SEED VAULT:

Preserving Crop Diversity for Future Generations

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The role of Svalbard Global Seed Vault in the conservation and utilization of plant genetic

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ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The Svalbard Global Seed Vault, located in the Arctic archipelago of Svalbard, is the world's largest secure repository for crop diversity. Established to safeguard plant genetic resources against natural or human-made disasters, the Vault plays a crucial role in global food security and biodiversity conservation.

In this seminar, **Fuad Gasi** will present the **history, mission**, and **strategic importance** of the Svalbard Global Seed Vault, highlighting its contribution to the **preservation of genetic resources** and its role in supporting **sustainable agriculture worldwide.**