

FINANCIAL REPORT 2021

European Cooperative Programme for Plant Genetic Resources (ECPGR)

Phase X (2019–2023)



Financial situation by the end of 2021

Contributions received for Phase X (Table 1)

As of 31 December 2021, the total regular contributions received for Phase X amounted to €1,593,450.

Outstanding contributions for Phase X amounted to €18,650 from three countries. However, €4,000 of these were received in early 2021 from Belarus. As Bosnia and Herzegovina has not signed the Letter of Agreement to join Phase X, this country has been removed from the budget table.

Voluntary contributions were received during 2021 from Germany (€256,044), as payments earmarked to the EVA Network and a new project for the inclusion of *in situ* Crop Wild Relatives (CWR) data in EURISCO.

Phase X Budget (Table 2)

The starting budget for Phase X (€2,688,250) was agreed at the 15th Steering Committee meeting in Thessaloniki, Greece (May 2018). It is subject to an overhead of 15.84%, as per the agreement with Bioversity International. This amount has been reduced in 2021 to €2,672,500, due to the removal of Bosnia and Herzegovina from the participating countries and of its originally expected five-year contribution of € 15,750 from the budget. This reduction has been reflected through a corresponding reduction for the years 2022 and 2023 of the budget line 'Secretary staff costs', which has so far been underspent. The total budget has however been incremented in the past three years by: 1) Unspent carryover from past phases (€121,756), with an overhead of 13%; 2) Carryover from Phase IX registered in 2019 (€57,402), with an overhead of 18.15%; 3) Additional carryover from Phase IX composed of Phase IX outstanding contributions received in 2020 from Italy (€104,000), North Macedonia (€2,750) and Portugal (€12,000), corresponding to a net addition of €100,507, also with an overhead of 18.15%; 4) Voluntary contribution from Hungary for Phase X (€12,000); 5) Voluntary contributions from Germany to be used during Phase X (€1,271,864), increased in 2021 by €247,318 (project for inclusion of *in situ* CWR in EURISCO). The amount of German contributions is partly made of funds already advanced in Phase IX, funds received in 2019–21 and other funds pledged for the rest of Phase X, as part of a series of projects funded by Germany and listed in Table 2.

After the above-mentioned increments and decrements, the overall budget for Phase X was set at €4,280,517.

Expenditures (Tables 2 and 3)

At the end of 2021, the total expenditures were €1,752,712, leaving an overall balance of €794,895 after the first three years of Phase X. This under expenditure has increased compared to the previous year, since the same factors have continued to apply during 2021. In particular, under expenditures can be explained by lower staff costs due to contributions from the Horizon 2020 projects AGENT and GenRes Bridge, and from the German-funded projects to staff costs, also reflecting the engagement of the Secretariat staff in these activities. Low expenditures for travel and Working Group activities were due to the late start of the Grant Scheme Calls and the COVID-19 pandemic crisis, which reduced the possibility to travel and hold physical meetings as of March 2020. Specifically, in 2021, the EURISCO training workshop was held online at no cost, while the Mid-term Steering Committee meeting was postponed from 2021 to 2022. In addition, in Phase X few applications were received for Grant Scheme Activities and fewer were granted, compared to Phase IX, and expenditures were consequently below expectations.

The costs of ongoing Grant Scheme activities that started in Phase IX, of new activities started in Phase X, and other miscellaneous costs, were mainly covered by carryover funds from past Phases, as detailed in Table 3.



Conclusion

Thanks to the additional outstanding contributions received in 2020 and the total available from carryover funds, plus the voluntary contribution from Hungary, extra funds available in Phase X to cover WG activities (meetings and other actions) amount to €290,024 (net of overheads). These add up to the regular starting budget of €188,599 for 'WG activities-meetings' and €188,599 for 'WG activities-other actions', reaching a total of ca. €667,000.

In the first three years of Phase X, \in 173,155 have been earmarked for eight activities approved through the Grant Scheme (the cost of a ninth activity has been covered by German funds). Additional ca. \in 10,000 are earmarked for the only WG meeting requested so far (*Allium* WG). The cost of ongoing activities that started in Phase IX (net \in 47,428) and other miscellaneous costs (\in 16,996) detailed in Table 3 amounted to \in 64,424 at the end of 2021. This means that ca. \in 667,000 - (\in 173,155 + \in 10,000 + \in 64,424) = ca. \in 420,000 are available for WG activities or meetings in the last two years of Phase X. Assuming that it may not be possible to use all these funds within the given timeframe, carryover funds will establish a good basis for action in Phase XI. Considerable savings were also made in travel and staff costs, for the reasons explained above, in the range of \in 285,000 at the end of 2021.

The cash balance at the end of 2021 was positive, amounting to €960,738.



Table 1

Bioversity reference: A1065 ECPGR Contributions for I

ECPGR Contributions for Phase X received by 31 December 2021 (in Euro) EUR									
Participating country	Annual pledge	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTAL	Outstanding Phase X	
Albania	3,150	3,150	3,150	3,150	-		9,450	-	
Austria	13,800	13,800	13,800	13,800	-	-	41,400	-	
Belarus (1)	4,000	4,000	4,000	-	-	=	8,000	4,000	
Belgium	14,400	14,400	14,400	14,400	-	-	43,200	-	
Bulgaria	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	-	=	12,000	-	
Croatia	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	-	-	22,500	-	
Cyprus	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	-	-	12,000	-	
Czech Republic	12,650	12,650	12,650	12,650	-	-	37,950	-	
Denmark	13,800	13,800	13,800	13,800	-	-	41,400	-	
Estonia	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	-	-	12,000	-	
Finland	13,800	13,800	13,800	13,800	1	1	41,400	-	
France	58,500	58,500	58,500	58,500	-	-	175,500	-	
Georgia	3,150	3,150	3,150	3,150	-	-	9,450	-	
Germany	58,500	58,500	58,500	58,500	-	-	175,500	-	
Greece	13,800	13,800	13,800	13,800	-	-	41,400	-	
Hungary	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600	-	-	25,800	-	
Iceland	3,150	3,150	3,150	3,150	-	-	9,450	-	
Ireland	12,650	12,650	12,650	12,650	-	-	37,950	-	
Italy	56,000	56,000	56,000	56,000	_	-	168,000	-	
Latvia	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	-	-	12,000	-	
Lithuania	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	-	-	22,500	-	
Montenegro	3,150	3,150	3,150	3,150	-	-	9,450	-	
Netherlands	21,850	21,850	21,850	21,850	_	-	65,550	-	
North Macedonia	3,150	3,150	3,150	-	-	-	6,300	3,150	
Norway	14,400	14,400	14,400	14,400	-	-	43,200	-	
Portugal	12,650	12,650	12,650	12,650	-	-	37,950	-	
Romania	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600	-	-	25,800	-	
Serbia	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	-	-	12,000	-	
Slovakia	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600		34,400	-	
Slovenia	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	-	-	22,500	-	
Spain	23,000	11,500	23,000	23,000	-	=	57,500	11,500	
Sweden	14,400	14,400	14,400	14,400	-	-	43,200	-	
Switzerland	21,850	21,850	21,850	21,850	_	_	65,550	-	
Turkey	14,400	14,400	14,400	14,400	-	-	43,200	-	
United Kingdom	56,000	56,000	56,000		-	-	168,000	-	
Total (2)	534,500	523,000	534,500	527,350	8,600	_	1,593,450	18,650	

⁽¹⁾ Belarus 2021 contribution received in 2022 (2) Bosnia and Herzogovina's annual pledge of EUR 3,150 removed from the participating countries list as they did not sign the LoA and did not contribute to the Phase X

ECPGR Voluntary contributions received by 3	1 December 2021	l (in Euro)

Participating country	Pledged contributions for Phase X	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTAL	Contributions to be received
Hungary	12,000	12,000	1	1	-	ı	12,000	_
Germany (European genetic resources)	9,831	9,831	(2,126)	-	-	-	7,705	-
Germany - Implementation of EVA network on wheat, barley, vegetable crops and maize	903,262	69,117	331,920	208,550	-	-	609,587	293,675
Germany ECPGR meetings and public awareness activities	60,387	60,387	-	-	-	-	60,387	-
GERMANY - Extension of EURISCO for Crop Wild Relatives (CWR) in situ data and preparation of pilot countries' data sets	247,318	-	-	47,494	-	-	47,494	199,824
Total	1,232,799	151,335	329,794	256,044	-	-	737,173	493,499

Regular contributions received in Phase X Voluntary contributions received in Phase X Total contributions Phase X Total outstanding contributions Phase X 1,593,450 737,173 2,330,623

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Table 2. ECPGR Phase X - 2021 Contributions and Expenses (in Euro)

Bioversity reference: A1065

Bioversity reference: A1005				Budget				Expenditures					
Description	Total budget 2019-2023	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total expenditures for 2019/2020/2021	Balance of 2019/2020/2021 Budget
Staff costs													
Secretary at Bioversity International (100%)	630,591	121,336	124,976	128,725	125,789	129,765	78,297	95,221	62,239	-	-	235,757	139,281
Secretariat administrative support (100%)	314,832	59,300	61,079	62,911	64,799	66,743	37,713	24,233	42,355	-	-	104,302	78,988
Steering Committee, ExCo and travel													
taff travel	25,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	3,202	-	1,606	-		- 4,809	10,191
Steering Committee meetings	76,000	-	-	38,000	-	38,000	(-	-	-	-			38,000
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ExCo meetings]	· I	1			1,023	1		1	(001)
ExCo Chair's travel for lobbying with EU and others	5,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,078	699	-		·	- 1,778	
xCo Chair's compensation	75,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	-		- 45,000	-
Working Group activities													
WG Chair's Meeting	31,500	-	15,750	-	15,750	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,750
WG activities - meetings	188,599	37,720	37,720	37,720	37,720	37,720		-	=	-	-	-	113,159
WG activities-other actions	188,599	37,720	37,720	37,720	37,720	37,720	7,875	-	-	-	-	7,875	
Training workshops EURISCO	33,750	11,250	-	11,250	-	11,250	[-	-	-	-	-	-	22,500
WG operations - scientific assistance (50%)	238,190	44,864	46,210	47,597	49,024	50,495	37,720	47,717	16,372	-	-	101,809	
Subtotal	1,817,561	336,690	347,955	384,923	355,301	392,692	187,413	183,169	138,597			- 509,180	
Overhead (15.84%)	287,902	53,332	55,116	60,972	56,280	62,202	29,686	29,014	21,954		-	- 80,654	
Total including overhead	2,105,463	390,021	403,071	445,894	411,581	454,895	217,099	212,183	160,551		-	589,834	649,153
EURISCO at IPK													
Personnel & Consumables	478,250	90,050	92,550	95,550	98,550	101,550	90,050	92,550	95,550			278,150	
Travel Coordinator	11,250	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250	-	-	-				6,750
Other costs													
Facilities, IT services, communications and office consumables	77,537	14,620	15,016	15,492	15,967	16,442	16,051	13,866	15,636			45,553	(425)
TOTAL BUDGETPhaseX(1)	2,672,500	496,941	512,887	559,186	528,348	575,137	323,200	318,599	271,737			- 913,537	
Carry overfrom past Phases (2)	121,756	37,226	15,042	23,163	23,163	23,163	37,226	15,042	33,963	-	-	86,231	(10,800)
-	15,828	4,839	1,955	3,011	3,011	3,011	4,839	1.955	4,415			- 11,210	
Overhead (13%)				·			'	,	,				(1,404)
Carry over Phase IX (3)	157,909	31,582	31,582	31,582	31,582	31,582	-	2,750	-	· ·	-	2,750	
Overhead (18.15%)	28,661	5,732	5,732		5,732	5,732	-	499	-	-	•	- 499	
Voluntary funds received in Phase X from Hungary	10,359	2,072	2,072	2,072	2,072	2,072	-	-	-		1	-	6,215
Overhead (15.84%)	1,641	328	328	328	328	328	265.266	220.046	240.444			4 044 00	985
GRAND TOTAL BUDGET including carry over from past phases	3,008,654	578,721	569,598	625,074	594,236	641,025	365,266	338,846	310,114			- 1,014,227	759,167
Projects funded with German voluntary contributions							-	-			1	-	
European Genetic Resources" GenR 2017-3	23,300	23,300	-	-	-	-	23,300	-	-	-	-	23,300	
Overhead (18.15%)	4,229	4,229	-	-	-	-	4,229	-	-	-		- 4,229	
Strengthening the European Genebank Integrated System "AEGIS" GenR 2018-1	11,002	11,002	-	-	-	-	11,002	-	-	-	-	11,002	
Overhead (18.15%)	1,997	1,997	-	-	-	-	1,997	-	-	-	-	- 1,997	
Organization of an ECPGR Workshop for the preparation of a European Evaluation Network GenR 2018-3	17,113	17,113	-	-	-	-	17,113	-	-	-	-	17,113	
Overhead (18.15%)	3,106	3,106	-	-	-	-	3,106	-	-	-	-	- 3,106	
ECPGR meetings and public awareness activities GenR 2019-5	52,258	26,463	25,795	-	-	-	26,336	25,922	-	-	-	52,258	
Overhead (15.84%)	8,278	4,192	4,086	-	-	-	4,172	4,106	-	-	-	- 8,278	
Implementation of EVA network on wheat, barley, vegetable crops and maize" GenR2019-2	779,750	46,412	246,441	229,796		65,000	46,412	246,441	229,796	-	-	522,649	
Overhead (15.84%)	123,512	7,352	39,036	36,400	30,429	10,296	7,352	39,036	36,400	-		- 82,788	s -
extension of EURISCO for Crop Wild Relatives (CWR) in situ data and preparation of pilot countries' data sets GenR 2021-1	213,500	-	-	41,000	86,250	86,250	-	-	10,157			- 10,157	30,843
Overhead (15.00%)	33,818	-	-	6,494	13,662	13,662	-	-	1,609	-		- 1,609	4,886
Total additional budget added 2019 - 2021 (4)	1,271,864	145,165	315,358	313,690	322,442	175,208	145,018	315,505	277,961			- 738,485	35,729
GRAND TOTALAT 31.12.2021	4,280,517	723,887	884,956	938,764	916,678	816,233	510,284	654,351	588,076			1,752,712	
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⁽¹⁾ Total budget Phase X reduced by EUR 15,750 due to Bosnia and Herzogovina removal from the participating countries list as they did not sign the LoA and did not participate in Phase X of ECPGR programme.

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TOTAL cash

⁽²⁾ Euro 3,400 were received from Georgia in 2019, as outstanding contributions for Phase VII and Phase VIII. The additional budget has been included within the budget line called 'Carry over from past Phases'. Budget for 2019 & 2020 was adjusted as per actual expenses for 2019/2020 and the rest of the budget was equally distributed accross the remaining years.

⁽³⁾ Euro 104,000 plus 2,750 plus 12,000 were received from Italy, North Macedonia and Portugal respectively in 2020, as outstanding contributions for Phase IX. The additional budget has been included within the budget line called 'Carry over Phase IX'.

⁽⁴⁾ During 2019 the total budget was further increased by €1,032,155 representing the voluntary contribution from Germany for five diferent activities as indicated in the budget table. In 2020 the budget for "European Genetic Resources" GenR 2017-3 and Organization of an ECPGR Workshop for the preparation of a European Evaluation Network GenR 2018-3 decreased by EUR 7,610 due to returned funds of unspent budget balance.

In 2021, the total budget was furher increased by EUR 247,318 representing the voluntary contribution from Germany for "Extension of EURISCO for CWR in situ data".



Table 3.Bioversity reference: A1065
Break-down of expenditures chargeable to carry over of past Phases (overhead 13%)

Description	Expenditure 2019	Expenditure 2020	Expenditure 2021	Total expenditure 2019-2023
Working Group meetings and Grant Scheme activities		·		
Inclusion of CWR	-	-	180	180
- Total Expenditures First call - Phase X			180	180
Umorpheas	-	229	-	229
- Total Expenditures Second Call - Phase X		229		229
EUBRASWILD	-	-	1,585	1,585
- Total Expenditures Third call - Phase X			1,585	1,585
Berries	-	413	10,300	10,713
Cucurbitlocal	-	-	9,100	9,100
- Total Expenditures Forth call - Phase X		413	19,400	19,813
MAPEuro collection - part of expenditures	3,300	-	1,200	4,500
- Total Expenditures Third Call - Phase IX	3,300	-	1,200	4,500
PRUNUS Aligment	12,941	7,072		20,014
- Total Expenditures Fifth Call - Phase IX	12,941	7,072	-	20,014
training in Triticum species TTS	9,179	-	-	9,179
Improve lolium	4,914	726	483	6,122
EU Grainlegumes	6,063	-	1,000	7,063
Lathyrus		550	-	550
- Total Expenditures Sixth Call - Phase IX	20,156	1,276	1,483	22,914
Total Working Group meetings and Grant Scheme activities	36,397	8,990	23,848	69,235
Other expenditures		<u>'</u>		
- Laptop ExCo Chair	-	1,580	-	1,580
- Travel Secretary	-	60	-	60
- Travel ExCo member	-	536	-	536
- Travel participant EVA Workshop, Berlin	-	376	-	376
- Shipment of publications and other postages	510	-	-	510
- Travel reimb 2018	23	-	-	23
- Panel recruitment Scientific Assistant	297	-	-	297
- Consultancy contracts (Engels, Johnson, Pierotti)	-	3,500	6,114	9,614
- PGR strategy (printing & shipment)	-	-	2,349	2,349
- Storage of ECPGR material	-	-	305	305
- Website maintenance	-	-	1,103	1,103
- Roll-up posters	-	-	244	244
Total 'Other expenditures'	829	6,052	10,115	16,996
Sub-total expenditures of carry-over funds	37,226	15,042	33,963	86,231
overhead (13%)	4,839	1,955	4,415	11,210
Total expenditures carry-over funds	42,066	16,998	38,378	97,441