

# MEETING OF THE ECPGR NETWORK OF GENE BANK MANAGERS

13-15 MAY 2024

Hosted by INIAV – BPGV, BRAGA, PORTUGAL

## DRAFT PROGRAM

### Monday 13 May 2024

Arrival of participants at Porto Airport (OPO) and [transfer by bus](#) to hotel in Braga.

19.30 Dinner in Braga (self-funded)

### Tuesday 14 May 2024

Meeting – ECPGR Network of Genebank Managers at the Portuguese National Genebank (BPGV)

- 09.00 Welcome by the chairperson and the President of INIAV
- 09.10 Introduction to the Portuguese National Genebank (BPGV), Ana Maria Barata
- 09.30 ECPGR Network of Genebank Managers – how to use it in the best possible way.  
Introduction by Lise Lykke Steffensen to discussions in groups and plenary
- 10.30 *Coffee break*
- 10.45 ECPGR Network of Genebank Managers – how to use it in the best possible way.
- 12.30 *Lunch*
- 13.15 Tour at the Portuguese National Genebank (BPGV)
- 14.15 Group photo
- 14.30 Let's fly high: the perfect genebank community in Europe (and improving the current by collaborating more effectively), Theo van Hintum
- 15.30 *Coffee break*
- 15.45 PRO-GRACE – Horizon European Research Infrastructure status and discussion on the strategic pros and cons of the initiative, potentially Lorenzo Maggioni
- 16.45 Communication: serving various communities with information that serves their and our purposes, Sara Landqvist (Head of Communication NordGen)
- 17.30 Return to hotel
- 19.30 Dinner



## Wednesday 15 May 2024

Meeting – ECPGR Network of Genebank Managers, at the Portuguese National Genebank (BPGV)

*Theme: Distribution and Quality*

- 08.30            Quality management system set up in genebanks
- Elements in a quality management system; TBD
  - AEGIS: A European Genebank Integrated System; Lorenzo Maggioni
  - Experiences from EU Horizont AGENT project; potentially Dagmar Janovská
  - Examples from genebanks on quality management systems, potentially Jelka Šuštar Vozlič
- 10.30            Coffee break
- 11.00            The Network hour – questions to bring up and discuss among us.
- Received questions and more can be brought up at the meeting:
- Examples from genebanks on distribution with SMTA – Lorenzo Maggioni
  - Providing seeds to private persons/hobby gardeners. How it has been solved in different genebanks, potentially Külli Annamaa
- 12.00            Recap of the two days, next meetings, and closure. Ana Maria Barata and Lise Lykke Steffensen
- 12.30            Lunch
- 13.30            Departure or voluntary field excursion organized by INIAV – BPGV
- 13.30            Return to hotel and/or departure of participants not joining the field excursion.
- 18.00            Return to hotel and/or departure of participants from field excursion.