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Ref: European Cooperative Programme for Plant Genetic Resources - ECPGR

Subject: Activity Grant Scheme – Fifth Call

Dear Daniela,

I am very pleased to inform you that the ECPGR Executive Committee (ExCo), during its recent meeting on 19-20 October 2017, approved for funding the proposal 'Prunus Alignment', with a request for clarifications related to the number and type of accessions managed by this Activity (see below).

The entire Steering Committee will have to clear the decision with regard to the partnership in the project.

The Secretariat will contact you as soon as the above formalities are completed, regarding Letters of Agreement to be prepared.

The ExCo found it difficult from your descriptions to figure out the number and type of accessions that have been already geno/phenotyped in previous activities and those that are expected to be added through this Activity. You are therefore kindly requested to provide a table with clear indication of these numbers, which would facilitate having an overall picture of the expected results. The ExCo also had an impression that the number of accessions proposed for characterization is rather limited and wondered if you could try to increase this number for the same budget.

The ExCo noted that provision of SSR data to EURISCO is currently not possible, but wish to encourage you to enter in contact with the EURISCO Coordinator in order to express your needs and verify the possibility to implement the upload of data to EURISCO before the end of your Activity.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate you and all the partners involved in this proposal and look forward to a successful implementation.

Please don't hesitate to contact the Secretariat in case you need any further clarification.

Best wishes.

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Chair of the ECPGR Executive Committee

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