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Ref: ECPGR Activity Grant Scheme (Phase X) - Fifth Call for proposals

Subject: Proposal "FRUITTREEDATA"

Dear Marc and Daniela,

I am very pleased to inform you that the ECPGR Executive Committee (ExCo), during its recent meeting on 9 November 2021, approved for funding the proposal 'Improvement of Fruit Tree Data Inclusion in EURISCO (FRUITTREEDATA)'.

The ExCo appreciated the well formulated and clear proposal and the topic of the project. It was recognized that the proposed activities deserve to be carried out. Including missing data into EURISCO will bring clear progress to the documentation of fruit collections. It was also agreed that it would be beneficial to include additional countries in the project, as you suggest. Therefore, we encourage you to continue looking for more participants. While you are welcome to start your project based on the submitted budget, the ExCo will take into consideration your requests for additional partners and corresponding budget until 30 June 2022. Please note that the Steering Committee will be consulted for endorsement of the final list of participants. The Secretariat will then contact the Activity Coordinator and other funded partners regarding Letters of Agreement to be prepared.

Please make sure that the missing Expressions of Interest are forwarded to the Secretariat before the end of the year and don't hesitate to contact the Secretariat in case you need any further clarification.

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

Best wishes.

Marianne Lefort

Chair of the ECPGR Executive Committee

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