



ECPGR Networking

Networking among Working Groups for discussing and coordinating the implementation of ECPGR objectives

17-18 October 2017, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Agenda

Monday 16 October 2017

Arrival of participants

Tuesday 17 October 2017

- 9.00 – 9.30 1. Welcome address and introduction of the meeting (*hosts*)
- Jelka Šuštar Vozlič: *Introduction of the meeting and agenda*
 - Andrej Simončič, *Director of AIS: Welcome address*
 - Tanja Strniša, *State Secretary, MAFF: Welcome address*
 - Jelka Šuštar Vozlič, *AIS and Joži J. Cvelbar, MAFF: Slovene Plant Gene Bank*
- 9.30 – 9.45 2. Brief presentation of the participants (*all the participants*)
- 9.45 – 10.15 3. Update on ECPGR Phase IX (*Lorenzo Maggioni*)
- 10.15 – 10.30 4. Information on C&E data in Eurisco (*Theo van Hintum*)
- 10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00 – 13.00 5. ECPGR objectives of Phase IX. Items addressed:
- Information on the current state of fulfilment of the ECPGR objectives related to individual objective of Phase IX (AEGIS, EURISCO, *in situ* and on-farm conservation – if applicable, relations with users, implementation of quality system, etc.);
 - Information on positive development resulting from fulfilment of the objectives of ECPGR Phase IX (e.g. a success story) or any major gaps/constraints identified in fulfilment the objectives;
 - Recommendations to enhance opportunities and mitigate threats (setting priorities and actions needed to be taken within each individual WG to fulfil the gaps identified);
 - Review of the working mode in Phase IX / suggestions for modification of the mode of operation until the end of Phase IX. Preparation of the strategy for finishing Phase IX;
 - Meeting the users' needs, are we maximising use of the conserved resource, how might we further enhance use.
- (*presented by WG Chairs*)
- 13.00 – 14.30 *Lunch on the premises*
- 14.30 – 15.30 5. ECPGR objectives of Phase IX (continued)
- 15.30 – 16.00 Discussion
- 16.00 – 16.30 *Coffee break*
- 16.30 – 17.30 6. Interlink between the Chairs of crop-specific WGs and the Chairs of thematic WGs;
(*Moderators – Chairs of the thematic WGs: Nigel Maxted, Theo van Hintum*)

17.30 – 18.00 7. Discussion, wrap-up of the day
19.30 *Dinner downtown*

Wednesday 18 October 2017

9.00 – 10.00 8. Review of the progress in development, advocacy with potential sponsors and implementation of the ‘concepts’ (*In situ*, On-farm) produced by Task Forces working within ECPGR (*Moderator: Nigel Maxted*)

10.00 – 10.40 9. Update on upcoming Horizon 2020 calls for proposals and ECPGR involvement (including Private Public Partnership plans currently developed and the ‘AgroForest Bridge’ plans) (*Lorenzo Maggioni, other participants*)
Discussion on how to propose a more coherent strategic approach for financing (*all the participants*)

10.40 – 11.00 *Coffee break*

11.00 – 13.00 10. Towards the future: ECPGR Phase X:

- Presentation of the second draft of the revised ECPGR objectives prepared by the Secretariat, after taking into account comments received by 15 September (*Lorenzo Maggioni*)
- Discussion on the revised objectives (*all the participants*)
- Presentation of first draft of Mode of operation of ECPGR for Phase X (*Lorenzo Maggioni*)
- Discussion
- Recommendations for the ExCo (*WG Chairs*)

13.00 – 14.30 *Lunch on the premises*

14.30 – 15.15 10. Towards the future: ECPGR Phase X (continued)

15.15 – 16.15 11. Other items:

- Information on creation of a peer review system amongst *ex situ* genebanks in Europe (*Theo van Hintum*)
- Final report of the Preparatory Action on EU Plant and Animal genetic Resources that has recently been published (*Theo van Hintum*);
- Support from the ECPGR Secretariat to the WG Chairs (How can we make the position of WG Chair easy and attractive? How can we make the participation of WG members attractive?) (*all the participants*)

16.15 – 16.30 *Coffee break*

16.30 – 17.30 12. Recommendations to WGs for the final period of Phase IX and to ExCo for the future Phase X (*Proposed moderators: Jelka Šuštar Vozlič, Ferdinando Branca*)

17.30 – 18.00 13. Any other business and conclusions

Free evening

Thursday 19 October 2017

Departure of participants (unless attending the ExCo meeting)