

# FINANCIAL REPORT **2024**



## Financial situation by the end of 2024

### Contributions received for Phase XI (Table 1)

At 31 December 2024, the total regular contributions received for Phase XI amounted to €534,300.

Outstanding contributions for Phase XI amounted to €110,300 from eight countries. At the time of writing this report (July 2025), €21,000 of these outstanding contributions were received from Azerbaijan, Greece, Montenegro and the United Kingdom.

Voluntary contributions were received during 2024 from Germany (€452,732), as payments earmarked to the EVA Network, including a new project 'EVA Boost', to the project for the inclusion of *in situ* Crop Wild Relatives (CWR) data in EURISCO and to the project New AEGIS. Additional €10,000 were received from the European Focal Point for Animal Genetic Resources (ERFP) as a contribution to the *Genetic Resources* journal.

### Phase XI Budget (Table 2)

The starting budget for Phase XI (€3,114,250) was agreed at the 17th Steering Committee meeting in Oeiras, Portugal (June 2023). This budget includes an overhead of 15%, as per the agreement with Bioversity International. This amount has been reduced to €3,096,500, due to the removal of Iceland from the participating countries and of its originally expected five-year contribution of €17,750 from the budget. This reduction has been reflected through a corresponding (temporary) reduction of the budget line 'WG activities' for the year 2028. The total budget has however, been incremented by: (1) Unspent carry-over from past phases (€787,325); (2) Pledged voluntary contributions from Germany to be used during Phase XI, reaching a total of €738,989. The amount of German contributions is partly made of funds already advanced in Phase X, and other funds pledged for Phase XI, as part of a series of projects funded by Germany and listed in Table 2; (3) Pledged contributions for 2024 and 2025 (€20,000) from ERFP to the *Genetic Resources* journal and carry-over of a similar contribution in 2023, amounting to a total of €27,350.

After the above-mentioned increments and decrements, the overall budget for Phase XI was set at €3,883,824 (Grand Total Phase XI including carry-over) + €766,339 (Total other contributions) = **€4,650,163**

### Expenditures (Table 2)

At the end of 2024, the total expenditures from regular contributions were €645,412, leaving a balance of €103,228 for the year 2024. This under expenditure is partly due to savings in the staff costs, also thanks to the contributions from the EU-funded Horizon projects AGENT and PRO-GRACE and the projects funded by Germany<sup>1</sup>. It is also due to low spending of the regular Phase XI budget for Working Group (WG) activities. This is explained by the reason that the Activities approved under the First Call for proposals started to spend their funds only in late 2024. On the other hand, the costs of ongoing Activities from Phase X were covered by carry-over funds.

Expenditures for the German projects (€249,827) were commensurate with expectations, based on the respective annual work plans.

### Detailed expenditures from carry-over funds (Table 3)

Expenditures made from carry-over funds and expenditures for WG activities are presented in better detail in Table 3. Carry-over funds are broken down in "Grant Scheme Activities" and "Other expenditures". The latter includes staff costs for a temporary assistant, costs related to website developments and other minor miscellaneous expenses.

<sup>1</sup> In 2024, ECPGR staff costs, including additional staff in support of the management of EU projects, were partially covered by the EU projects AGENT (€25,167) and Pro-Grace (€64,571), and by the German-funded projects EVA (€20,000), EVA Boost (€20,000), *In situ* CWR in EURISCO (€11,000) and New AEGIS (€18,574), for a total of €159,312.

Expenditures for Phase XI Working Group Activities are broken down into the respective funded meetings or activities.

### **Outstanding contributions from past Phases (Table 4)**

Table 4 shows outstanding contributions of past Phases from a few countries that signed the Agreement to join ECPGR in the respective Phases and benefited from the Programme as members, but never completed the agreed payments. These contributions have been removed from the ECPGR budget and, thus, they are no longer awaited. Should these countries decide to re-join ECPGR, the Steering Committee may wish to consider whether these past dues should be entirely or partially waived before re-admitting the country to ECPGR. In the case of Greece, at the time of writing this report, the outstanding contributions of Phase X were received. This positive outcome will be reflected in the Financial Report of 2025.

### **Table of percentage returns to countries during Phase X (Table 5)**

Table 5 is a summary prepared by the Secretariat, with some approximation, showing the percentage of funds that were returned to each country during Phase X. This should be considered as purely indicative and includes reimbursed travels of participants to meetings, letters of agreement or purchase orders established with public or private institutions based in the respective countries.

### **Conclusion**

The funds balance of Phase X (€787,325), already communicated in last year's Financial Report, has now been included as carry-over in the budget for Phase XI. These funds are presented in Table 2 with a specific (not earmarked) budget line. They are used to honour the costs of still ongoing Grant Scheme activities of the past Phase, and to cover miscellaneous expenses, as detailed in Table 3. The remaining carry-over funds can be used in the next years, at the discretion of the Steering Committee, for example to fill gaps, on a need basis, in the regular budget lines for the years 2027 and 2028.

The cash balance at the end of 2024 was positive, amounting to €886,385.

**Table 1**  
**ECPGR Contributions for Phase XI received by 31 December 2024 (in Euro)**

	Participating country	Annual pledge	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	TOTAL	Outstanding Phase XI as at 31 Dec 2024
1	Montenegro	3,550						-	3,550
2	North Macedonia	3,550	3,550					3,550	-
3	Albania	3,550	3,550					3,550	-
4	Georgia	3,550	3,550					3,550	-
5	Serbia	3,550	3,550					3,550	-
6	Cyprus	3,550	3,550					3,550	-
7	Azerbaijan	3,550						-	3,550
8	Belarus	4,500						-	4,500
9	Estonia	4,500	4,500					4,500	-
10	Latvia	4,500	4,500					4,500	-
11	Bulgaria	4,500	4,500					4,500	-
12	Ukraine	4,500						-	4,500
13	Lithuania	8,450	8,450					8,450	-
14	Slovenia	8,450	8,450					8,450	-
15	Croatia	8,450	8,450					8,450	-
16	Slovakia	9,700	9,700	9,700				19,400	-
17	Hungary	9,700	9,700					9,700	-
18	Romania	9,700	9,700					9,700	-
19	Greece	14,300						-	14,300
20	Czech Republic	14,300	14,300					14,300	-
21	Portugal	14,300	14,300					14,300	-
22	Finland	15,600	15,600					15,600	-
23	Ireland	15,600	15,600					15,600	-
24	Denmark	15,600	15,600					15,600	-
25	Austria	15,600	15,600	15,600				31,200	-
26	Norway	15,600	15,600					15,600	-
27	Belgium	16,300						-	16,300
28	Poland	16,300	16,300					16,300	-
29	Turke	16,300	16,300					16,300	-
30	Sweden	16,300	16,300					16,300	-
31	Switzerland	24,700	24,700					24,700	-
32	Netherlands	24,700	24,700					24,700	-
33	Spain	26,000	26,000					26,000	-
34	Italy	63,300						-	63,300
35	France	63,300	63,300					63,300	-
36	UK	63,300	63,000					63,000	300
37	Germany	66,100	66,100					66,100	-
								-	-
								-	-
	<b>Total <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>619,300</b>	<b>509,000</b>	<b>25,300</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>534,300</b>	<b>110,300</b>

**Footnotes:**

<sup>(1)</sup> Total budget Phase XI reduced by EUR 17,750, due to removal of Iceland from the participating countries list, as it did not confirm intention to join Phase XI

**ECPGR Voluntary contributions received by 31 Decemebr 2024 (in Euro)**

	Contributor	Pledged contributions for Phase XI	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	TOTAL	Contributions to be received
A1402	Germany - Implementation of EVA network on wheat, barley, vegetable crops and maize	78,905	78,905					78,905	-
A1539	GERMANY - Extension of EURISCO for Crop Wild Relatives (CWR) in situ data and preparation of pilot countries' data sets	69,998	69,998					69,998	-
A1718	GERMANY BMEL Reinforcement of the AEGIS Quality System and EURISCO data coverage	153,640	153,640					153,640	-
A1722	GERMANY - BMEL Implementation of the ECPGR European Evaluation Network (EVA) on legumes and preparatory actions for the creation of a new network on perennial plants (berries and fruit trees)	353,740	150,190					150,190	203,550
A1638	Contribution from ERFP to "Genetic Resources"	20,000	10,000					10,000	10,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>676,282</b>	<b>462,732</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>462,732</b>	<b>213,550</b>

ECPGR Contributions for Phase XI	3,096,500
Regular contributions received in Phase XI	534,300
Total outstanding contributions Phase XI	2,562,200



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**Table 2. ECPGR Phase XI - 2024 Contributions and Expenses (in EUR)**

	Budget						Expenses						Balance 2024
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total budget	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total expenses	
<b>Staff costs</b>													
Secretary at Bioversity (80%)	109,942	113,942	122,440	96,413	99,305	542,042	107,040					107,040	2,902
Secretary overlap			10,043			10,043	-					-	-
Secretarial administrative support (100%)	59,937	63,008	67,245	69,519	71,793	331,502	56,450					56,450	3,487
<b>Secretariat Staff Total</b>	<b>169,879</b>	<b>176,950</b>	<b>199,728</b>	<b>165,932</b>	<b>171,098</b>	<b>883,588</b>	<b>163,489</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>163,489</b>	<b>6,390</b>
<b>Steering Committee, ExCo and staff travel</b>													
Staff travel	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	20,000	3,339					3,339	661
Steering Committee meetings (2)			40,000		40,000	80,000	-					-	-
ExCo travel	3,000	3,000		3,000		9,000	-					-	3,000
ExCo Chair compensation	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	75,000	15,000					15,000	-
<b>SC and travel Total</b>	<b>22,000</b>	<b>22,000</b>	<b>59,000</b>	<b>22,000</b>	<b>59,000</b>	<b>184,000</b>	<b>18,339</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>18,339</b>	<b>3,661</b>
<b>Activities</b>													
WG Chair's meeting			20,000		20,000	40,000	-					-	-
WG activities	102,064	102,064	102,064	46,816	31,381	384,389	24,588					24,588	77,476
EVA Coordination (90%)	21,165	55,046	64,106			140,317	17,102					17,102	4,063
AEGIS Coordination (20%)	27,486	28,486	30,610	24,103	24,826	135,511	26,760					26,760	726
Training workshops EURISCO		12,000		12,000		24,000	-					-	-
<b>Activities Total</b>	<b>150,715</b>	<b>197,596</b>	<b>216,780</b>	<b>82,919</b>	<b>76,207</b>	<b>724,217</b>	<b>68,450</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>68,450</b>	<b>82,265</b>
<b>Communication and dissemination</b>													
Communication (80%)	66,330	68,651	71,054			206,035	68,240					68,240	(1,910)
Genetic Resources Journal	18,934	23,279	24,887			67,100	19,575					19,575	(641)
<b>Communication and dissemination Total</b>	<b>85,264</b>	<b>91,930</b>	<b>95,941</b>			<b>273,135</b>	<b>87,815</b>	-	-			<b>87,815</b>	<b>(2,551)</b>
<b>OH 15%</b>	<b>64,179</b>	<b>73,271</b>	<b>85,717</b>	<b>40,628</b>	<b>45,946</b>	<b>309,741</b>	<b>50,714</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>50,714</b>	<b>13,465</b>
<b>EURISCO at IPK</b>													
EURISCO Coordinator 0.5	50,500	52,000	53,500	55,000	57,000	268,000	50,500					50,500	-
EURISCO developer 0.75	49,125	50,625	51,750	54,000	54,661	260,161	49,125					49,125	-
Office material	550	550	550	550	550	2,751	550					550	-
5% pass-through fee	5,009	5,159	5,290	5,478	5,611	26,546	5,009					5,009	-
<b>Total EURISCO</b>	<b>105,184</b>	<b>108,334</b>	<b>111,090</b>	<b>115,028</b>	<b>117,822</b>	<b>557,457</b>	<b>105,184</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>105,184</b>	-
<b>Other costs</b>													
Facilities at Bioversity	17,678	19,446	21,391	23,530	25,883	107,928	17,679					17,679	(1)
IT services	9,244	10,168	11,185	12,303	13,533	56,433	9,244	-				9,244	-
<b>Total Other costs</b>	<b>26,922</b>	<b>29,614</b>	<b>32,576</b>	<b>35,833</b>	<b>39,416</b>	<b>164,361</b>	<b>26,923</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>26,923</b>	<b>(1)</b>
<b>Total Phase XI<sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>624,142</b>	<b>699,695</b>	<b>800,833</b>	<b>462,340</b>	<b>509,489</b>	<b>3,096,499</b>	<b>520,915</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>520,915</b>	<b>103,228</b>
Carryover phase X	107,474	143,048	143,048	143,048	143,048	679,666	107,474					107,474	-
OH 15.84%	17,024	22,659	22,659	22,659	22,659	107,659	17,024					17,024	-
<b>Total phase X</b>	<b>124,498</b>	<b>165,707</b>	<b>165,707</b>	<b>165,707</b>	<b>165,707</b>	<b>787,325</b>	<b>124,498</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>124,498</b>	-
<b>GRAND TOTAL BUDGET including carry over from past phases</b>	<b>748,640</b>	<b>865,402</b>	<b>966,540</b>	<b>628,047</b>	<b>675,196</b>	<b>3,883,824</b>	<b>645,412</b>					<b>645,412</b>	<b>103,228</b>

Projects funded with German voluntary contributions	Total Budget phase XI	2024 Expenses	Total expenses	Balance
"Implementation of EVA network on wheat, barley, vegetable crops and maize" GenR 2019-2 (5)	124,826	80,417	80,417	44,408
Overhead 15.84%	19,772	12,738	12,738	7,034
Extension of EURISCO for Crop Wild Relatives (CWR) in situ data and preparation of pilot countries' data sets GenR 2021-1	75,113	67,536	67,536	7,577
Overhead 15.84%	11,898	10,698	10,698	1,200
GERMANY BMEL Reinforcement of the AEGIS Quality System and EURISCO data coverage	133,600	18,576	18,576	115,024
Overhead 15%	20,040	2,786	2,786	17,254
GERMANY - BMEL Implementation of the ECPGR European Evaluation Network (EVA) on legumes and preparatory actions for the creation of a new network on perennial plants (berries and fruit trees)	307,600	49,631	49,631	257,969
Overhead 15%	46,140	7,445	7,445	38,695
<b>Total German voluntary contributions</b>	<b>738,989</b>	<b>249,827</b>	<b>249,827</b>	<b>489,162</b>

Other Contributions Phase X				
Animal network contribution to Genetic Resources	23,782	2,376	2,376	21,406
Overhead 15%	3,567	356	356	3,211
<b>Total Other Contributions Phase X</b>	<b>27,350</b>	<b>2,733</b>	<b>2,733</b>	<b>24,617</b>
<b>Total additional budget</b>	<b>766,339</b>	<b>252,560</b>	<b>252,560</b>	<b>513,779</b>

**Expenditure and Cash statement**

Cash Balance of Phase X	787,325
Contributions received Phase XI	534,300
2024 Carryover expenses phase X	124,498
2024 Expenses phase XI	520,915
<b>TOTAL cash phase XI (as at 31.12.2024)</b>	<b>676,213</b>

Additional funds from Germany	452,732
Total expenditure on German grants	249,827
Contribution from ERFP to "Genetic Resources"	10,000
Total expenditure on ERFP to "Genetic Resources"	2,733
<b>TOTAL cash additional contributions (as at 31.12.2024)</b>	<b>216,172</b>

<b>Total CASH (as at 31.12.2024)</b>	<b>886,385</b>
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**Footnotes:**

<sup>(1)</sup> Total budget Phase XI reduced by EUR 17,750, due to removal of Iceland from the participating countries list, as it did not confirm intention to join Phase XI

**Table 3. Break-down of expenditures chargeable to Phase XI & carry over of past Phases**

Description	Expenditure 2024	Expenditure 2025	Expenditure 2026	Expenditure 2027	Expenditure 2028	Total expenditure 2024-2028
<b>Expenditures Carry over funds from Past Phases</b>						
Grant Scheme Activities	101,533					101,533
Other expenditures	5,941					5,941
Sub-total expenditures of carry-over funds from Past Phases	107,474	-	-	-	-	107,474
overhead (15.84%)	17,024	-	-	-	-	17,024
Total expenditures Carry over from Past Phases	124,498	-	-	-	-	124,498
<b>Expenditures Phase XI</b>						
<b>Working Group meetings</b>						
Cryo Training School	10,351					
Doc & Info, EURISCO Advisory Committee	10,781					
Genebank managers Meeting	1,918					
<b>Grant Scheme Activities</b>						
EuroPepLand	1,538					
Sub-total expenditures	24,588	-	-	-	-	24,588
overhead (15%)	3,688	-	-	-	-	3,688
Total expenditures Phase XI	28,276	-	-	-	-	28,276
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>152,774</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>152,774</b>

**Table 4. ECPGR Outstanding contributions for Phase VII, Phase VIII, Phase IX & Phase X as of 31 December 2023 (in Euro)**

DONOR	Phase VII	Phase VIII	Phase X	Total
Armenia	11,750	13,750		25,500
Malta	7,050	13,750		20,800
Russian Federation		91,000		91,000
Belarus			8,000	8,000
Greece			27,600	27,600
Iceland			3,150	3,150
<b>Total outstanding contributions</b>	<b>18,800</b>	<b>118,500</b>	<b>38,750</b>	<b>176,050</b>

**Footnotes:**

Outstanding contributions from Azerbaijan EUR 13,750 and Ukraine EUR 28,000 have been written off in 2023 by ECPGR Steering Committee to facilitate rejoining of these countries to ECPGR.

**Table 5. Table of percentage returns to countries during Phase X**

MEMBER COUNTRY	CONTRIBUTIONS TO ECPGR				FUNDS RETURNED TO COUNTRIES VIA ECPGR ACTIVITIES					Percentage return over total contribution
	Annual contribution (€)	Pledged 5-year contribution (€)	Voluntray contributions (€)	Actual total contribution (€)	Grant Scheme Actions funded (€)	Participation in meetings funded (€)	EVA activities funded (€)	CWR Activities (€)	Total returned (€)	
Serbia	4,000	20,000		20,000	5,570	14,293	4,225		24,088	120%
Bulgaria	4,000	20,000		20,000	2,600	7,610		6,800	17,010	85%
Albania	3,150	15,750		15,750	2,100	5,209		4,000	11,309	72%
Romania	8,600	43,000		43,000	13,800	13,016	1,800		28,616	67%
Portugal	12,650	63,250		63,250	2,870	11,269	9,946	17,000	41,085	65%
Estonia	4,000	20,000		20,000	100	10,395	2,000		12,495	62%
Finland	13,800	69,000		69,000	19,100	8,381	12,500		39,981	58%
Belarus	4,000	12,000		12,000	-	1,941	5,000		6,941	58%
Latvia	4,000	20,000		20,000	2,520	8,511			11,031	55%
Italy	56,000	280,000		280,000	19,120	15,548	103,805	11,000	149,473	53%
Greece	13,800	41,400		41,400	6,320	12,780			19,100	46%
Montenegro	3,150	15,750		15,750	2,000	4,996			6,996	44%
Slovenia	7,500	37,500		37,500	6,820	9,718			16,538	44%
Georgia	3,150	15,750		15,750	-	6,211			6,211	39%
Spain	23,000	115,000		115,000	1,660	13,005	11,605	18,000	44,270	38%
Cyprus	4,000	20,000		20,000	-	3,020		4,000	7,020	35%
Czech Republic	12,650	63,250		63,250	4,700	3,986	5,250	8,000	21,936	35%
Sweden	14,400	72,000		72,000	2,600	8,663	13,500		24,763	34%
France	58,500	292,500		292,500	7,610	15,973	68,507		92,090	31%
Lithuania	7,500	37,500		37,500	250	4,016		7,500	11,766	31%
Croatia	7,500	37,500		37,500	1,580	7,583	1,500		10,663	28%
Denmark	13,800	69,000		69,000	2,600	2,914	13,200		18,714	27%
Germany	58,500	292,500	1,289,780	1,582,280	64,441	12,905	257,436		334,782	21%
North Macedonia	3,150	15,750		15,750	2,000	1,273			3,273	21%
Slovakia	8,600	43,000		43,000	3,653	3,930			7,583	18%
Netherlands	21,850	109,250		109,250	2,000	5,719		11,000	18,719	17%
Switzerland	21,850	109,250		109,250	2,000	5,977	7,140		15,117	14%
Austria	13,800	69,000		69,000	3,000	5,744			8,744	13%
Poland	14,400	72,000		14,400	1,677	-			1,677	12%
United Kingdom	56,000	280,000		280,000	6,755	8,781		14,500	30,036	11%
Norway	14,400	72,000		72,000	2,100	4,469			6,569	9%
Türkiye	14,400	72,000		72,000	-	6,149			6,149	9%
Belgium	14,400	72,000		72,000	-	5,552			5,552	8%
Hungary	8,600	43,000	12,000	55,000	2,000	853			2,853	5%
Ireland	12,650	63,250		63,250	2,827	-			2,827	4%
Iceland	3,150	12,600		12,600	-	-			-	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>548,900</b>	<b>2,705,750</b>	<b>1,301,780</b>	<b>3,949,930</b>	<b>196,373</b>	<b>250,390</b>	<b>517,414</b>	<b>101,800</b>	<b>1,065,977</b>	<b>27%</b>