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

Subject: Proposal "ExploDiv"

Dear Creola,

I am very pleased to inform you that the ECPGR Executive Committee (ExCo), during its recent meeting on 29 November 2022, approved for funding the proposal 'Exploring of Grain Legumes diversity for sustainable European Agri-food Systems' (ExploDiv).

The ExCo acknowledged the importance and the value of the proposed activities, although some concerns were raised about the large number of crops involved and the complexity of the coordination of this ambitious project. The ExCo is looking forward to the addition of information to EURISCO and the increase of the number of accessions included as part of AEGIS. In order to achieve this result, it is recommended that the Activity Coordinator exercises a strict monitoring and provides good reporting of progress throughout the time of the Activity.

In the budget table, Activities listed for partner 12 (Conservation Expertise CWR, on-Farm and LR) are not representing an action and therefore cannot be funded.

As the Grain legumes WG has pending reports of past activities, I encourage you to complete the missing final reports and need to advise you that the Secretariat will be able to mobilize the funds related to 'ExploDiv' only after receipt of the final Activity reports of 'SMARTLEG' and 'EUGrainLeg'.

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.

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