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**Ref: ECPGR Activity Grant Scheme (Phase IX)
Third Call for proposals**
Subject: Proposal 'MAP EUROCOLLECTION'

Dear Ana Maria,

Kindly note that the ECPGR Executive Committee (ExCo), during its recent meeting on 30 May 2016, approved for funding the proposal 'MAP EUROCOLLECTION', with only a request for a slight budget re-adjustment (see below). The Steering Committee will have to clear the decision with regard to the partnership in the projects.

We will contact you again as soon as the above formalities are completed, regarding the Letter of Agreement to be prepared.

The ExCo approved the overall objective of your Activity, but was not convinced about the specific approach whereby three partners are expected to gather data from other WG members and subsequently analyse these data with the objective to identify AEGIS accessions. The ExCo agreed that your Working Group requires a meeting to first discuss a common approach for the definition of the European MAP Collection. The budget for your Activity has been approved with the following revision and condition:

- Step 1: organize a meeting, in close consultation and with the participation of the Secretariat, with a budget up to € 11 250.
- Step 2: the remaining part of the budget can be allocated during or after the meeting for meaningful activities directed to the establishment of a European Collection.

Regarding the partners in your project, please note that Georgia is not a member of ECPGR during Phase IX and therefore not eligible to receive funds. Regarding the partners from Azerbaijan, Poland and Spain, they will also not be eligible for ECPGR funding until their countries comply with ECPGR Rule of Procedure 1.7, related to outstanding membership fees. Therefore, you may wish to identify additional partners to be invited in the meeting to replace those who might still be ineligible by the time of the meeting.

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,



Eva Thörn
Chair of the ECPGR Executive Committee