

# ***Allium* Working Group (AWG)**



***Allium* Working Group (AWG) was established in 1982 during the first Phase of ECPGR**

**In this time AWG has 62 members from 32 countries – in positions**

**Genebank Curator**

**Crop specialist**

**Information/Documentation**

**Plant breeder**

**Policy and law**

**other expertise**



● **AWG**

# Meetings

**The AWG has had 12 meetings during its 43 years of existence**

- **eight regular,**
- **two ad hoc**
- **three meetings via the Vegetables Network (VEGNET) of (ECPGR)**

## Ad hoc meeting

ECPGR <i>ad hoc</i> meeting on vegetatively propagated <i>Allium</i>	Germany	Gatersleben	22.05.2001-23.05.2001
<i>Allium</i> and <i>Brassica</i> <i>ad hoc</i> meeting (AEGIS)	Czech Republic	Prague	21.01.2006-22.01.2006

## Meeting of the ECPGR

### Vegetables Network

The First Meeting of the ECPGR Vegetables Network, Joint Meeting with an ad hoc group on Leafy Vegetables	Poland	Skierniewice	22-24 May 2003
The Second Meeting of the Vegetables Network (VEGNET) of (ECPGR)	Czech Republic	Olomouc	26-28 June 2007
The Third Meeting of the ECPGR Vegetables Network	Italy	Catania	10-12 November 2009.

Regular meeting	Country	Town	Date
ECPGR <i>Allium</i> Working Group - 1st meeting	United Kingdom	Wellesbourne, Warwickshire	26.02.1982-27.02.1982
ECPGR <i>Allium</i> Working Group - 2nd meeting	Hungary	Tapioszele	30.05.1984-01.06.1984
ECPGR <i>Allium</i> Working Group - 3rd meeting	United Kingdom	Wellesbourne, Warwickshire	06.09.1988-09.09.1988
ECPGR <i>Allium</i> Working Group - 4th meeting	Germany	Gatersleben	11.06.1991-15.06.1991
ECPGR <i>Allium</i> Working Group - 5th meeting	Poland	Skierniewice	26.05.1995-28.05.1995
ECPGR <i>Allium</i> Working Group - 6th meeting	Bulgaria	Plovdiv	24.10.1997-26.10.1997
ECPGR <i>Allium</i> Working Group - 7th meeting	Greece	Perea, Thessaloniki	06.09.2011-08.09.2011
ECPGR <i>Allium</i> Working Group - 8th meeting	Poland	Skierniewice	11.10.2022-12.10.2022

## Chair of AWG

1982 – 2011 – Dr. Dave Astley

2012 – 2015 – Dr. Joachim Keller

2015 – still – Dr. Helena Stavělíková



# Phase IX of ECPGR (2014-2018) and Allium Working Group activities and related events

**May 2015** - The *Allium* Working Group agreed on their crop-specific standards for field genebanks

**December 2016** - The project on "Safeguarding of potato onion (*Allium cepa* L. Aggregatum group) and garlic (*Allium sativum* L.) crop diversity in North Europe - Baltic region", submitted by the *Allium* Working Group for funding under the Fourth Call of the ECPGR Activity Grant Scheme, was selected by the Executive Committee.

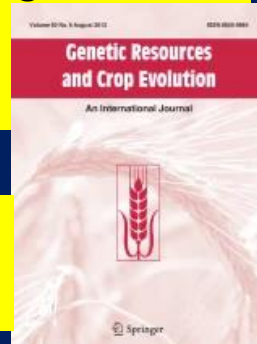
**July 2017** - The first SafeAlliDiv project meeting was held 11-12 July 2017 in Tallinn, Estonia.

**August 2017** - The *Allium* Working Group agreed on their crop-specific standards for *in vitro* culture and cryopreservation

**April 2018** - The second SafeAlliDiv project meeting was held 17-18 April 2018 in Olomouc, Czech Republic.

# Phase X of ECPGR (2019-2023) and Allium Working Group activities and related events

**14 September 2020** the result of project SafeAlliDiv – research article Genetic characterization of European potato onion (*Allium cepa* var *Aggregatum* G. Don) collections In Genetic Resources and Crop Evolution An International Journal Volume 68, pages 657–665, (2021)



**April - May 2021** - prepare remarks to the first and the second draft of the 'European Strategy for Conservation

**2 February 2022** - Questionnaire in preparation for the ECPGR WG Chairs meeting Questionnaire to the Working Group Chairs in preparation for the Mid-Term Steering Committee meeting, 7-9 June 2022

**5-6 April 2022** - ECPGR Chairs meeting online

**11 -12 October 2022** - the eighth meeting of the *Allium* Working Group held from in Skierniewice, Poland

# **Phase X of ECPGR (2019-2023) and Allium Working Group activities and related events**

**December 2022** - the Garli-CCS project was selected by the Executive Committee for financing submitted by the *Allium*, Cryopreservation, and Documentation & Information Working Groups

**10 March 2023** - The first virtual Garli-CCS meeting

**17 April 2023** - the 2nd webinar on ECPGR Grant Scheme Activities, focused on the [SafeAlliDiv](#) project and was presented by Helena Stavělíková, Crop Research Institute Czech Republic, Dainis Runģis, Latvian State Forest Research Institute

**22 September 2023** - the second virtual Garli-CCS meeting

# **Phase XI of ECPGR (2024-2029) and Allium Working Group activities and related events**

**17-20 September 2024** - the Garli-CCS-Cryopreservation workshop was held on in Prague, Czech Republic.

**8 January 2025** - I sent to all members of AWG question about their Allium collection and their topic or aim of possible proposal of project.

**20-22 May 2025** - Allium Symposium and ECPGR Activities (Garli CCS meeting and Allium Working Group meeting), Gatersleben, Germany.

# **Phase XI of ECPGR (2024-2029) and Allium Working Group activities and related events**

**07. 10. 2019– 10. 10. 2019** Banco Germoplasma Vegetal, Cuenca Spain -  
Marcelino de los Mozos Pascual

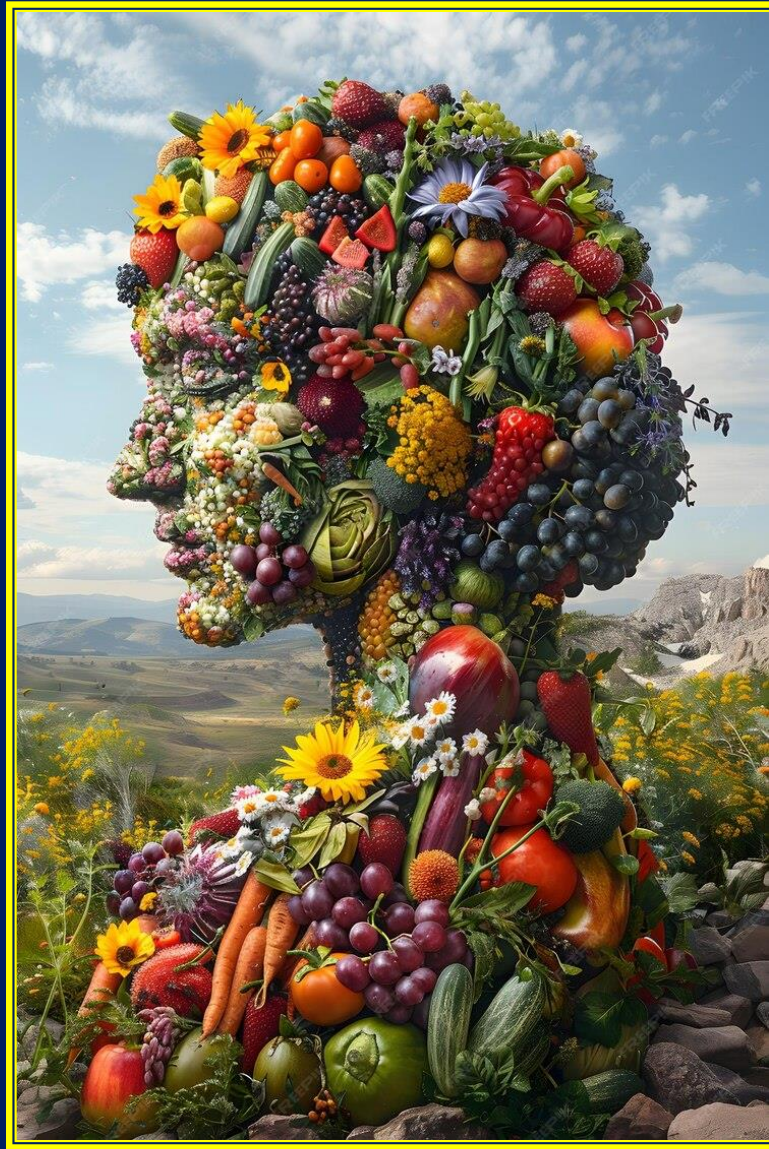
**10. 07. 2022– 13. 07. 2022**

Institute of horticulture, Latvia, Liga Lepse

**22 July to 2 August 2024.** - PhD student Vaida Cepulienė from Lithuanian Research Centre for Agriculture and Forestry, Institute of Horticulture to join the team CRI, department Genetic Resources of Vegetables and Specialty Crops Olomouc, for scientific traineeship







**Thank you for your attention**