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Ref: European Cooperative Programme for Plant Genetic Resources - ECPGR
Subject: Activity Grant Scheme – Fourth Call

Dear Charlotte,

I am very pleased to inform you that the ECPGR Executive Committee (ExCo), during its recent meeting on 14-16 December 2016, approved for funding the proposal 'CarrotDiverse'. The Steering Committee will have to clear the decision with regard to the partnership in the projects.

The Secretariat will contact you as soon as the above formalities are completed, regarding the Letters of Agreement to be prepared.

The ExCo appreciated this project as clearly designed and feasible, which is also commended for establishing a link with the Crop Trust and for starting to work on the European component of a global conservation strategy for carrot CWR. On the other hand, it was also noted that there is not a very wide geographic representation of partners. This is understood as justifiable in order to focus the resources to obtain meaningful results. However, you may consider inviting an enlarged group of WG members to the meetings, on a self-funded basis.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate you and all the partners involved in this proposal and look forward to a successful implementation.

Please don't hesitate to contact the Secretariat in case you need any further clarification.

Best wishes,



Eva Thörn
Chair of the ECPGR Executive Committee