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**Ref: ECPGR Activity Grant Scheme (Phase X)
First Call for proposals**

Subject: Proposal AEG-VIT-IS

Dear Thierry,

I am very pleased to inform you that the ECPGR Executive Committee (ExCo), during its recent meeting on 18-19 June 2019, approved for funding the proposal “Enhancing quality and quantity of *Vitis* genetic resources in AEGIS”.

The ExCo wished to suggest a small change in the title of the proposal, that could become, for better clarity:

“Enhance quality **management** and quantity of *Vitis* genetic resources in AEGIS”

It was also recommended that, as part of the establishment of the guidelines for selecting candidate *Vitis* accessions, the case of mutants and sports is also considered in order to ensure their proper conservation.

Finally, upon consideration that your requested budget is below the recommended limit, the ExCo suggested that participation in the meeting of partner 19 could also be funded, as well as of partners 16 and 17, in case they will become eligible in terms of regular ECPGR membership of their respective countries by the time of the meeting. Also, if you think that the addition of other 4-5 partners from other eligible countries could be beneficial to the project, the ExCo is willing to grant the funding of their participation in the meeting.

Please note that after receiving your reply with your comments to this letter, the Steering Committee will be consulted for endorsement of the final list of participants. As soon as the above formalities will be completed, the Secretariat will contact the Activity Coordinator regarding Letters of Agreement to be prepared.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate 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

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