### Appendix I. Workplan 2012-2013

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<td><strong>Characterization and evaluation descriptors for apple and pear</strong></td>
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<td>Finalize the work on apple descriptor lists, integrating the valuable work of Szalatnay (2006)</td>
<td>Task Force composed of: M. Lateur, D. Szalatnay, E. Dapena</td>
<td>Mid-June 2013</td>
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<td>Distribute the agreed apple prioritized PDF draft descriptor list to Working Group members for comments</td>
<td>Chair</td>
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<td>Send comments on the above to the Chair</td>
<td>All WG members</td>
<td>End August 2013</td>
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<td>Compile the comments and circulate the final draft list to WG members for use as a working document until publication of final document; provide the final draft list to the ECPGR Secretariat for uploading on the Web site</td>
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<td>Use the list as a working document until publication of final document</td>
<td>All WG members</td>
<td>(depending on date of final publication)</td>
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<td>Explore solutions for publishing the final document in the form of a robust and practical field manual to be used in the evaluation orchards</td>
<td>Task Force composed of: M. Lateur, D. Szalatnay, E. Dapena with support of ECPGR Secretariat</td>
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<td>Follow the same procedures as above for pear descriptors, taking advantage of the fact that many descriptors and methods are rather similar</td>
<td>Task Force composed of: M. Lateur, D. Szalatnay, E. Dapena with support of ECPGR Secretariat</td>
<td>(same schedule as above; final draft document available by mid-June 2013)</td>
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<td><strong>SSR markers for apple and pear and common methodology</strong></td>
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<td>Compile the relevant information on SSR markers across Malus, Pyrus and Prunus and produce a practical manual for publication on the ECPGR Web site</td>
<td>Task force composed of: Henryk Flachowsky (Coordinator), Larissa Gustavsson, Felicidad Fernández, Charles-Eric Durel (contacted by Henryk)</td>
<td>End March 2013</td>
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<td><strong>Databases and documentation</strong></td>
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<td>Inform the Database Managers of the release of the updated FAO/Bioversity Multi-crop passport descriptor list</td>
<td>ECPGR Secretariat</td>
<td>As soon as the revised MCPDs are available</td>
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<td>Request updates from WG members according to the updated MCPD list</td>
<td>DB Managers</td>
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<td>Supply updated accession lists through appropriate channels to the <em>Malus</em> and <em>Pyrus</em> CCDDBs and to EURISCO</td>
<td>All WG members</td>
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<td>Finalize the upgrading of the <em>Pyrus</em> Database according to the structure of the <em>new Prunus</em> Database</td>
<td>Chair and INRA-Bordeaux (Teresa Barreneche and Emilie Balsemin)</td>
<td>End June 2013</td>
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<td>European Fruit books’ pomologies</td>
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<td>Circulate the list of pomological references to WG members for comment and addition of further references and Web links to available texts</td>
<td>Chair</td>
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<td>Send replies to Chair</td>
<td>WG members</td>
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<td>Send the finalized list to the ECPGR Secretariat for uploading on the <em>Malus/Pyrus</em> WG’s Web site</td>
<td>Chair</td>
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<td>Integrate pomological reference list into the Central Crop Databases to be used for referencing cultivar names</td>
<td>Chair and DB Managers</td>
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<td>Make the link between Brogdale’s synonym DB and the last version of the ECPGR <em>Malus</em> Database and match all the information</td>
<td><em>Malus</em> DB Manager</td>
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<td>Add “preferred name” to the synonym list with the link to the referenced literature compiled by Jacobus Bosschaerts</td>
<td><em>Malus and Pyrus</em> DB Managers</td>
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<td>Add as far as possible the literature source for each already existing synonym name</td>
<td><em>Pyrus</em> DB Manager</td>
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<td>Add the most probable historical country of origin and the most probable date of raising</td>
<td><em>Malus and Pyrus</em> DB Managers</td>
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<td>Send back to the curators their respective lists of apple and pear accessions extracted from the last version of the ECPGR DBs with the added synonyms list, asking the curators to check and validate their list and provide a ranking of synonym names as follows: 1 = Preferred name 2 = Useful or commonly used synonym 3 = No longer used or never heard-of synonym name 4 = Wrong synonym, as checked and confirmed by local experts. If possible, provide the literature source or the link of this “false” synonym to the right cultivars.</td>
<td><em>Malus and Pyrus</em> DB Managers</td>
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<td>Provide responses of ranking to the DB Managers</td>
<td>Curators</td>
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| Based on their good knowledge of their cultivars and reference books, rank the global quality of the mentioned literature sources according to the following scale:  
  1 = Mostly reliable information found in the book  
  2 = Some doubtful information found  
  3 = Very often doubtful information found  
  and provide ranking to the DB Managers                                                                                                                                   | Experts attending the ad hoc meeting on synonyms, under the coordination of the Chair and DB Managers | End June 2013                 |
| Include this information in the respective DBs                                                                                                                                                                           | Malus and Pyrus DB Managers                          | September 2013               |
| **Enhancement of collaboration within the WG**                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                     |                               |
| Include the list of activities and expertise (already partially completed during the meeting) in the draft report of the meeting                                                                                       | Chair and ECPGR Secretariat                         | (at time of production of draft report) |
| Validate and complete the lists for inclusion in final report                                                                                                                                                       | WG members and meeting participants                 | (according to request from Chair/ECPGR Secretariat) |
| **Implementation of AEGIS**                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                     |                               |
| Send to each WG member a standardized form (MCPD format) to be used to list the first accessions of national interest along with priority passport data                                                                        | DB Managers                                         | End May 2013                  |
| Return completed forms to Database Managers                                                                                                                                                                           | All WG members                                      | End July 2013                 |
| Analyse the data and propose a list of candidate European accessions to the WG                                                                                                                                       | DB Managers, Chair, Vice-Chair                      | End September 2013            |
| **Crop-specific standards**                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                     |                               |
| Analyse the Commission-approved field genebank standards and decide if and which crop-specific technical standards are required and subsequently, develop these.                                                                 | All WG members                                      | Within 6 months after publication of final standards |
| **Enhancement of the efficiency of the Malus/Pyrus Working Group**                                                                                                                                                   |                                                     |                               |
| Consider the possibility to apply for a COST action                                                                                                                                                                    | Gordana Durić, Henryk Flachowsky, Matthew Ordidge and Marc Lateur | End March 2012               |
| Set up a mailing list for circulation of documents and information within the Working Group                                                                                                                           | Vice-Chair, with support of ECPGR Secretariat        | End February 2013             |
| Organize an annual consultation on the progress made for each activity of the workplan and provide the WG members with a brief update on key developments.                                                                 | Vice-Chair, with the help of Eva Maria Gantar and Chair | End March 2013 and annually thereafter |