

Workplan of the Working Group on Cucurbits for the second part of Phase VIII (2011-2013) – revised and updated at 18 October 2013

(based on the workplan agreed at the second meeting of the Cucurbits Working Group, 8-10 November 2010, Tbilisi, Georgia; full report of the meeting available [here](#))

Task sharing for AEGIS

Action	Carried out by	By when	Status at 18/10/2013
Prepare a separate document extracted from the report of the First Meeting of the WG (Plovdiv, 2005), with the regeneration guidelines agreed at the time and upload to the Web site	ECPGR Secretariat	End of November 2010	Done
Prepare guidelines (first draft) for regeneration of cucumber, melon, watermelon and <i>Cucurbita</i> , based on the existing guidelines (including aspects related to collecting, seed quality and viability monitoring, distribution and characterization)	K. Niemirowicz-Szczytt	End of November 2010	Done
Supplement the draft with specific information on the regeneration of watermelon and <i>C. moschata</i> and circulate the draft	M. José Díez	15 December 2010	Done
Send comments on guidelines	All the WG members	End of January 2011	Done
Address comments from the WG, produce a final version of the guidelines and send to the Secretariat for uploading	M. José Díez	End of April 2011	Done
Upload final guidelines to the Web site of the ECPGR Cucurbits WG	ECPGR Secretariat	15 May 2011	Done
Upload updated table on status of safety-duplication	ECPGR Secretariat	15 May 2011	Done
Alert the crop groups volunteers that they can start screening the ECCUDB for MAA identification. An outline of the expected mode of operation and time frame will be provided to the crop group volunteers	Database Managers	Beginning of April 2011	Action modified, see below

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Analyse the ECCUDB crop by crop to identify MAAs	1. <i>Cucumis sativus</i> and wild relatives (W. van Dooijeweert) 2. <i>Cucumis melo</i> and wild relatives (M. José Díez) 3. <i>Citrullus lanatus</i> and wild relatives (A. Myshkevich) 4. <i>Cucurbita</i> species and wild relatives (M. Ercolano) 5. Other genera (B. Schmidt)	Start after alert sent by the DB Manager (expected beginning of April 2011); time frame to be defined	Action modified, see below
Screen the ECCUDB for MAA identification and make a pre-selection for each crop	Database Managers	End March 2012	Done
Send the result of the pre-selections to crop group volunteers for approval. Crop group volunteers are (as agreed at second meeting, Tbilisi, Nov. 2010): 1. <i>Cucumis sativus</i> and wild relatives (W. van Dooijeweert) 2. <i>Cucumis melo</i> and wild relatives (M. José Díez) 3. <i>Citrullus lanatus</i> and wild relatives (A. Myshkevich) 4. <i>Cucurbita</i> species and wild relatives (M. Ercolano) 5. Other genera (B. Schmidt)	Database Managers	April 2013	Done
Organize a meeting to discuss the procedure of validation of the MAAs	Chair and Vice-Chair	April 2013	Done Meeting was organized jointly with Solanaceae WG (11-12 April 2013). Participants: Chairs, Vice-Chairs and DB Managers of Cucurbits and Solanaceae WGs (report available here).

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Confirm or modify the pre-selection of MAAs made by DB Managers	Crop group volunteers	End May 2013	Done
Send the lists of selected MAAs to National Coordinators requesting their approval for inclusion in the European Collection.	Database Manager	End June 2013	Done (approval of selected accessions by NCs in progress; to be followed-up by the Secretariat)
Complete the table describing the status of safety-duplication with information from all WG members	Chair	January 2011	Done

Documentation and information

Action	Carried out by	By when	Status at 17/05/2013
Improve the quality of the Database through further interactions with the WG members	Database Manager and all WG members	Beginning of April 2011 → postponed to March 2012	Done

In situ and on-farm conservation

Action	Carried out by	By when	Status at 17/05/2013
Send information on NGOs working on on-farm conservation to the Database Manager	All WG members	End of 2010	Delayed - reminders sent September 2011 Replies received: - Liga Lepse (Latvia) 23/09/2011 no NGOS involved - Ivana Dolezalova (Czech Rep) 08/11/2011 no NGOS involved - Fotios Bletsos (Greece) 12/11/2011 – three NGOs involved No information from other countries