ECPGR and EURISCO - Phase IX

A new location, background and consequences

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Phase IX of ECPGR (2014-2018)

• Changes inspired by Independent External Review
• New objectives
• New operational structure
• New rules of procedure and terms of reference of ECPGR bodies
• An approved budget of 2.5 M Euro
• Tender for hosting arrangements of the Secretariat and EURISCO
1. **AEGIS** is operational and accessions are characterized and evaluated
2. Functionality of **EURISCO** ensured (data quality & quantity + in situ data)
3. **In situ and on-farm** conservation “concepts” are agreed
4. Relations with **users** of germplasm are strengthened
5. Commitment and regular resources from donors are increased
6. Secretariat support is adequate to sustain operations of ECPGR
Outcome 2 - EURISCO
Draft outputs (as part of logframe still to be approved by the SC):

1. All National Focal Points update national inventories effectively and timely

2. C&E data in EURISCO included, with high quality and wide coverage

3. Inclusion of relevant in situ/on-farm data in EURISCO realized

4. Users’ expectations explored and functionality of EURISCO increased
ECPGR Structure

Steering Committee

Coordinating Secretariat

Crop Working Groups

- Allium
- Avena
- Barley
- Beta
- Brassica
- Cucurbits
- Fibre Crops (Flax and Hemp)
- Forages
- Grain Legumes

Leafy Vegetables
- Malus/Pyrus
- Medicinal and Aromatic Plants
- Potato
- Prunus
- Solanaceae
- Umbellifer Crops
- Vitis
- Wheat

Thematic Working Groups

- Wild Species Conservation in Genetic Reserves
- On-farm Conservation and Management
- Documentation and Information
New Operational Structure - 1

- WGs, composed of pools of experts proposed by NCs, carry out activities mandated by the SC or proposed by the WG (through the Chair) and approved by the SC
- Revised Terms of Reference of Chairs & mechanism to appoint Chairs
- Competitive Scheme for WG activities
• Proposals for activities to be evaluated and approved by ExCo

• Each activity typically will not exceed Euro 15,000 and the participation of 12 members, selected on the basis of “expressions of interest”, plus self-funded participants

• A country quota system is maintained
ECPGR Terms of Reference

http://www.ecpgr.cgiar.org/

PHASE IX (2014-2018)

GOAL,
RULES OF PROCEDURES
AND
TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE OPERATIONAL BODIES

Approved by the Steering Committee (First edition, May 2014)
Budget for Phase IX (2014-2018)

- Total Phase IX: € 2 551 250
- Carry over Phase VIII: € 245 618
- Grand Total: € 2 796 868

Of which:
- EURISCO: ca. €450 000
- Working Group activities: ca. €450 000
A tender for hosting EURISCO

- Launched in November 2012
- Three bids received:
  - Bioversity International
  - Global Crop Diversity Trust (in consortium with CGN and NordGen)
  - IPK ⮞ Winner

- MoU between Bioversity and IPK - ongoing transfer of EURISCO
EURISCO at IPK during Phase IX

- ECPGR Steering Committee (SC) mandates Bioversity International to host the ECPGR Secretariat, thus providing a legal personality.

- SC accepted the offer from IPK to physically host EURISCO, which will operate under ECPGR governance.

- SC authorized Bioversity, acting on behalf of ECPGR, to enter into Agreement with IPK setting out the terms and conditions under which IPK agrees to maintain and develop EURISCO.
Obligations of IPK
(against payments made by ECPGR/Bioversity)

• IPK operates EURISCO on behalf of ECPGR (Bioversity)

• IPK will have access to data from data providers, subject to the Data Sharing Agreement signed between Bioversity and the member countries

• IPK will provide a full time network coordinator/application developer (employed by IPK)

• IPK will provide (for approval by Chair of Doc&Info WG):
  • Annual work plans
  • Annual technical reports
Thank you for your attention!