



European Cooperative Programme for Plant Genetic Resources (ECPGR)

Phase IX (2014–2018)

2016 Financial Report

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Financial situation by the end of 2016

Contributions received for Phase IX (Table 1)

At 31 December 2016, the total regular contributions received for Phase IX amounted to € 1 432 250; outstanding contributions for Phase IX amounted to € 120 000. The outstanding contributions are being monitored. In particular, payments from Bosnia and Herzegovina (2014 and 2015) and from Spain (2014) were received in January 2017. Further payments from Spain continued to be delayed by internal bureaucratic procedures. Contributions from Azerbaijan continue to be expected, as the country has formally joined ECPGR Phase IX. On the other hand, Israel, after having paid 2014, informed that it will not continue to contribute to Phase IX and therefore the ECPGR budget has been correspondingly reduced. Also Poland has neither formally joined ECPGR nor indicated a commitment to pay for the entire Phase, therefore its contribution to ECPGR is at risk.

As of 1 January 2017, Azerbaijan, Poland and Spain continued to be ineligible to receive ECPGR funds, owing to their two-year (or more) outstanding contributions to ECPGR.

Phase IX Budget (Table 2)

The original budget for Phase IX (€ 2 551 250), agreed at the 13th Steering Committee meeting in Vienna (December 2012), was subsequently incremented by funds carried over from the previous Phase (€ 245 618), as well as by additional contributions related to previous Phases received in 2014 (€ 86 800), by a further addition corresponding to the 5-year pledge from Portugal (€ 60 000), which joined ECPGR in 2014 and eventually by a voluntary contribution from Finland (€ 750) in 2015.

The total budget, as set at the end of 2015 (€ 2 944 418), was then increased in 2016 owing to a voluntary contribution from Germany to organize the Private Public Partnerships (PPP) Workshop (€ 82 469). However, a deduction of € 44 000 was done to the total budget due to Israel withdrawing from the list of member countries. The total budget at the end of 2016 was therefore € 2 982 887.

Expenditures (Tables 2 to 4)

At the end of 2016, Phase IX expenditures for Secretariat staff and travel and for Steering Committee and ExCo meetings and travel costs were lower than originally estimated. Combined savings in this regard amount to ca. € 52 000.

The budget for 'AEGIS project coordination' which was foreseen to be spent in three years (2016-2018), has been entirely spent in 2016 instead, following an arrangement agreed by the ExCo to employ Jan Engels for more time in 2016, and then to discontinue this collaboration in the following years.

The budget for Working Group Activities has been used as detailed in Table 3. Carry-over funds from previous Phases, which are charged with a lower overhead (13%), have also been used in part to cover the meetings held by the Grant Scheme Activities. All the expenditures charged to carry-over funds are detailed in Table 4; in 2016, these included the cost of the workshop of the EURISCO Advisory Committee meeting.

Conclusion

Compared to the budget (€ 2,8M) agreed at the beginning of Phase IX, during the first three years of Phase IX, considering new pledges and outstanding contributions received, ECPGR has secured an additional income of ca. € 160 800 (net of overhead). However, the receipt of outstanding contributions from Azerbaijan, Poland and Spain is uncertain and equivalent to € 164 250 (net of overhead = € 139 000).

The cash balance at the end of 2016 was positive, amounting to € 421 727.

Table 1. ECPGR Contributions for Phase IX received by 31 December 2016 (in Euro)

Participating country	Annual pledge	2014	2015	2016	2017	TOTAL	Outstanding	
Albania	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750	0	8,250	0	
Austria	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,500	0	37,500	0	
Azerbaijan	2,750	0	0	0	0	0	8,250	
Belarus	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	10,500	0	
Belgium	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000	0	57,000	0	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2,750	0	0	0	0	0	8,250	*
Bulgaria	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	10,500	0	
Croatia	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	0	19,500	0	
Cyprus	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	10,500	0	
Czech Republic	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	0	33,000	0	
Denmark	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	36,000	0	
Estonia	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	10,500	0	
Finland	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	36,000	0	
France	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000	0	156,000	0	
Germany	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000	0	156,000	0	
Greece	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	36,000	0	
Hungary	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	0	33,000	0	
Iceland	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	10,500	0	
Ireland	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	36,000	0	
Israel	11,000	11,000	0	0	0	11,000	0	**
Italy	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000	0	156,000	0	
Latvia	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	10,500	0	
Lithuania	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	0	19,500	0	
Macedonia FYR	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750	0	8,250	0	
Montenegro	2,750	2,750	2,750	2,750	0	8,250	0	
Netherlands	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	0	60,000	0	
Norway	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,500	0	37,500	0	
Poland	12,500	0	0	0	0	0	37,500	
Portugal	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	36,000	0	
Romania	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	0	22,500	0	
Serbia	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	10,500	0	
Slovakia	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	30,000	0	
Slovenia	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500	0	19,500	0	
Spain	22,000	0	0	0	0	0	66,000	*
Sweden	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000	0	57,000	0	
Switzerland	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000	0	57,000	0	
Turkey	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	36,000	0	
United Kingdom	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000	0	156,000	0	
Total	522,250	482,250	471,250	471,250	7,500	1,432,250	120,000	

* As of the 31st of March outstanding contributions were received from Spain (€22,000) on the 3rd of January and from Bosnia and Herzegovina (€5,500) on the 9th January 2017

** In 2016 Israel withdrew from the list of member countries.

Table 1 (continued). ECPGR Contributions for Phase IX received by 31 December 2016 (in Euro)

ECPGR Voluntary contributions

Participating country	2014	2015	2016	2017	TOTAL
Finland		750			750
Germany			82,469		82,469
Total		750	82,469		83,219

Contributions Phase IX **1,515,469**
Total outstanding contributions Phase IX **120,000**


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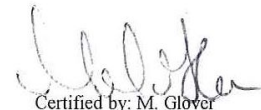

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Table 2. ECPGR Phase IX – 2016 Contributions and Expenses (in Euro)

Description	Total budget 2014-2018	Budget			Expenditures				
		2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	Total expenditures for 2014, 2015 and 2016	Balance for 2014, 2015 and 2016
Staff costs									
Secretary at Bioversity International (100%)	579,675	109,184	112,460	115,834	110,686	114,726	121,684	347,096	-9,618
Secretariat administrative support	297,005	55,942	57,621	59,349	54,376	55,247	57,371	166,994	5,918
Steering Committee, ExCo and travel									
Secretariat staff travel	35,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	4,958	4,307	7,696	16,961	4,039
Steering Committee meetings	96,000	0	0	48,000	0	0	18,335	18,335	29,665
ExCo meetings	12,375	4,125	0	4,125	3,153	2,945	1,637	7,734	516
ExCo Chair's travel	15,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	301	1,563	2,117	3,981	5,019
ExCo Chair's compensation	75,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,224	15,000	15,000	45,224	-224
Working Group Activities									
Working Group Activities	283,809	25,072	48,615	68,571	0	51,434	43,843	95,277	46,981
WG operations - Scientific assistance	232,486	43,790	45,103	46,457	39,083	37,856	41,756	118,696	16,654
AEGIS project coordination	84,257	45,714	23,543	5,000	48,785	23,693	15,000	87,478	-13,221
Total expenses	1,710,607	308,827	312,342	372,336	276,567	306,770	324,440	907,777	85,728
Overhead (18.15%)	310,475	56,052	56,690	67,579	50,197	55,679	58,886	164,761	15,560
Total expenses including overhead	2,021,082	364,879	369,032	439,915	326,764	362,449	383,325	1,072,538	101,288
Facilities, IT, communications, office consumables	81,443	16,288	16,288	16,288	17,825	15,385	15,655	48,864	0
Maintenance and development of EURISCO at IPK	448,725	87,400	88,555	89,727	66,298	84,206	67,174	217,677	48,005
TOTAL ORIGINAL BUDGET	2,551,250	468,567	473,875	545,930	410,886	462,040	466,154	1,339,080	149,293
Expenditures chargeable to carry-over Phases VII and VIII	217,361	43,472	43,472	43,472	28,469	40,012	8,581	77,062	53,355
Overhead (13%)	28,257	5,651	5,651	5,651	3,701	5,202	1,115	10,018	6,936
GRAND TOTAL BUDGET AT 01.01.2014	2,796,868	517,691	522,999	595,054	443,057	507,253	475,850	1,426,160	209,584

Table 2 (continued). ECPGR Phase IX – 2016 Contributions and Expenses (in Euro)

Description	Total budget 2014-2018	Budget			Expenditures				
		2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	Total expenditures for 2014, 2015 and 2016	Balance for 2014, 2015 and 2016
Expenditures chargeable to additional contributions received for Phase VII and Phase VIII during Phase IX	76,814	15,363	15,363	15,363	0	0	0	0	46,088
Overhead (13%)	9,986	1,997	1,997	1,997	0	0	0	0	5,992
Expenditures chargeable to voluntary contribution from Finland (2015) and additional contributions pledged by Portugal for Phase IX less contributions initially planned for Israel (€44k) no longer expected to be received.	14,177	2,708	3,343	2,708	0	0	0	0	8,760
Overhead (18.15%)	2,573	492	607	492	0	0	0	0	1,590
Total additional budget added in 2014-2015 ⁽¹⁾	103,550	20,560	21,310	20,560	0	0	0	0	62,430
Expenditures chargeable to voluntary contribution from Germany (2016) PPP Workshop	69,800	0	0	69,800	0	0	0	0	69,800
Overhead (18.15%)	12,669	0	0	12,669	0	0	0	0	12,669
Total additional budget added in 2016 ⁽²⁾	82,469	0	0	82,469	0	0	0	0	82,469
GRAND TOTAL AT 31.12.2016	2,982,887	538,251	544,309	698,083	443,057	507,253	475,850	1,426,160	354,483

(1) The Grand Total budget of €2,796,868 (as at 01.01.2014) has been increased by €103,550 representing the contributions received in 2014 from Israel (€12,100) for Phase VII and from Denmark (€18,200), Greece (€22,000), Israel (€22,000), Romania (€7,000) and Serbia (€5,500) for Phase VIII, voluntary contribution received from Finland in 2015 (€ 750) and by €60,000 representing the pledge made by Portugal to participate in Phase IX (the contribution from Portugal was not included in the original budget agreed in Vienna in December 2012). In 2016 a deduction of €44,000 was done to this budget line due to Israel withdrawing from the list of member countries.

(2) During 2016 the total budget was further increased by €82,469 representing the voluntary contribution from Germany for the PPP workshop to be held in 2017.

Total Phase IX regular contributions received	1,432,250
Voluntary contribution received from Finland	750
Additional funds from Germany for PPP	82,469
Funds balance as at 31-12-2013	245,618
Total contributions received for Phase VII and Phase VIII during Phase IX	86,800
Total received	1,847,887
Total expenditure	1,426,160
Balance of Phase IX (as at 31.12.16)	421,727

Table 3. Breakdown of expenditures of Working Group Activities funds (in Euro)

Description	Expenditure 2014	Expenditure 2015	Expenditure 2016	Total expenditure 2014-2016
Total Working Group Activities under the Activity Grant Scheme				
- Expenditures First Call	-	51,434	6,462	57,896
- Expenditures Second Call	-	-	25,472	25,472
- Expenditures Third Call	-	-	11,910	11,910
Sub-total expenditures	-	51,434	43,843	95,277
Overhead (18.5%)	-	9,335	7,958	17,293
Total expenditures Working Group Activities	-	60,770	51,801	112,570

Table 4. Breakdown of expenditures of carry-over funds (in Euro)

Description	Expenditure 2014	Expenditure 2015	Expenditure 2016	Total expenditure 2014-2016
Working Group Activities under the Activity Grant Scheme				
- Total Expenditures First Call	-	34,373	4,529	38,902
Other expenditures				
- Consortium fee for Horizon 2020 proposal	1,525	1,000	-	2,525
- Return of funds AEGIS potato project	(5,994)	-	-	-5,994
- Documentation and Information Workshop Prague	22,745	-	-	22,745
- Return of funds from Crop Trust (Nov 2014)	(5,237)	-	-	-5,237
- Corrections reimbursements 2015	-	(116)	-	-116
- On-farm Workshop	-	4,756	-	4,756
- EURISCO Migration to IPK	15,429	-	-	15,429
- EURISCO Advisory Committee meeting October 2016	-	-	2,818	2,818
Total 'Other expenditures'	28,468	5,640	2,818	36,926
Sub-total expenditures of carry-over funds	28,468	40,013	7,347	75,828
Overhead (13%)	3,701	5,202	955	9,858
Total expenditures carry-over funds	32,169	45,215	8,302	85,686