



## Report of EAAP Working Group Animal Genetic Resources

2018/2019

ERFP Assembly Ghent 2019  
J. Fernández

### **Members of the EAAP-AnGR-WG (2018)**

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- Sipke Hiemstra, Ino Curik, Peer Berg, Jelena Ramljak, Enrico Sturaro, Georgia Hadjipavlou

*Representatives of:*

- ERFP-Secretariat + FAO





### **EAAP 2019 Ghent**

#### **Session 1. What to conserve?**

(Chair: P. Berg)

Date: 26 August 2019 8.30 – 12.30

- Proposed by EAAP-WG AnGR. Regular session
- Rationale
  - genetic diversity may be adaptative, neutral or detrimental and may be worthy or not conserving
  - topics to be considere included: Management of recessive detrimental alleles in a small population.Functional genomics. Specific adaptative variation of local breeds



### **EAAP 2018 Dubrovnik**

#### **Session 11. Awareness of the importance of Genetic Resources**

(Chair: G. Leroy / R. Baumung)

Date: 26 August 2019 14.00 – 18.00

- Proposed by EAAP-WG AnGR and Genetics Commission
- Challenge session
  - to discover to what extent different sectors of the society (not only scientist) realise the benefits (damages) of the maintenance (loss) of Genetic Resources
- Invited speakers: Anne Lauvie, Beate Berger, Monserrat Castellanos and Maria Wurzinger



### **EAAP 2018 Dubrovnik**

#### **Session 33.** Burning issues in biodiversity I: what are the benefits from animal gene banks?

(Chair: A. Maki-Tanila)

Date: 28 August 2019 8.30 – 12.30

- Similar proposals from different origins ('The State of the Art for gene banks')
- Organised by the IMAGE project
- 3 invited speakers



#### Participation in a study on the evaluation of the success of already running conservation programmes:

- Proposed by FAO (G. Leroy)
- Different species/breeds in different countries
- First paper already published Leroy, G., Gicquel, E., Boettcher, P. et al. Conservation Genet Resources (2019).
- A second paper is in the second round of revision in the journal *Animal* (*Impact of conservation plans on genetic variability of livestock breeds: Relevance of effective population sizes*)



Participation in the project GenRes Bridges (Joint venture of ECPGR, EUFORGEN and ERFP)

- As part of the EAB (WG AnGR is the EAAP consultation body in Genetic Resources issues)
- Some members directly involved in the development of the project through the ERFP



In contact with:

- NC's of different countries (through the ERFP)
- People responsible of the EFABISnet
- WG on Documentation of the ERFP
- WG on ex-situ conservation
- WG on in-situ conservation
- FAO



### **Next Monday**

### **Bilateral meeting between EAAP and ERFP**

#### **List of invited people:**

- ERFP: S. Hiemstra (Chairman), M. Castellanos-Moncho (Steering Committee), C. Danchin (Secretariat)
- EAAP: A. Rosati (Secretary General), J. Fernandez (Chairman of the AnGR Commission)



### **Common ambitions and further opportunities for collaboration**

- New MYPOW of ERFP 2019-2024
- Options to enhance collaboration between ERFP and EAAP towards the future
- Activities of EAAP WG-AnGR – e.g. joint ERFP-EAAP-FAO joint session
- Sharing information about further AnGR activity plans in each organization in order to set up greater synergies and collaborations
- External communication and networking strategy of ERFP and EAAP – synergies
- GenRes Bridge (CSA Horizon 2020) – views and collaboration



### **Administrative and financial issues:**

- Reduced fee/one day fee exemption for ERFP National Coordinator (or their representative) to attend the joint meeting(s) of ERFP/FAO/EAAP on AnGR – could be included in specifications/model agreement between EAAP and individual countries organizing committees
- Possibilities to lighten the administrative burden and to digitalize the ERFP reimbursement procedures (and more specifically to reduce/avoid the mandatory sending by slow mail of all the invoices – cf. document 3\_EAAP\_ERFP\_ReportingV3.doc).
- Possibilities for ERFP Secretariat to pay invoices directly (rooms registration, meals, transport, etc), e.g. by credit card, without going through payment by personal funding followed by ERFP reimbursement procedure.



Thank you