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Chair of the Mediterranean Workshop Ad hoc action

Report of the Mediterranean Workshop ERFP Ad hoc action

1. Objectives of the group (Summary)

The ERFP WG Documentation and Information suggested the organization of a Technical Workshop in Tunisia, in cooperation with Prof Mnaouer Djemali, NC of Tunisia, the EAAP Mediterranean WG and the support of FAO.

Aim: to reinforce cooperation within region and strengthen existing capacities for the conservation and management of AnGR

Through the:

- study the level of existing data on livestock breeds
- definition of the gaps and reasons for these
- suggestion of ways to overcome the gaps

The Workshop will give the opportunity to work with tools that have been already developed within ERF, facilitating the exchange of experience and building links and cooperation between the regions (i.e. indicators that could be used in assessing the risk status, or other experience related with the flow of data and regular monitoring).

The outcome of the workshop will be to develop specific "activities" in an area that with common characteristics, a rich biodiversity, history, cultural aspects etc, and common challenges (but also different needs and threats), that are expected to improve the status of documentation of AnGR, improve data quality and completeness and to enhance the role of Breeders' Associations. The outcome of the meeting could be used for the Project GENRESBRIDGE, which aim to create string network on Biodiversity in Europe and Mediterranean Region.

2. Membership of the group (chair in grey)

Participants to the Mediterranean Workshop ERFP Ad hoc action group are represented by some members of the ERFP WG Documentation and Information; the group aims to involve NC and experts of Mediterranean Countries (Algeria, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, and Tunisia). The local organizer is Prof Mnaouer Djemali, NC of Tunisia. Members of the EAAP Mediterranean WG and FAO will be involved.

Ad hoc action members	
ERFP Secretariat	Eleonore Charvolin
Greece	Christina Ligda
Cyprus	Georgia Hadjipavlou
Italy	Enrico Sturaro
Spain	Montse Castellanos Moncho
FAO	Mohammed Bengoumi / Badi Besbes
Expert (France)	Denis Laloe (to be confirmed)
NC from North Africa	
Mauritania	
Morocco	To be confirmed
Algeria	
Tunisia	Mnaouer Djemali
Lybia	
Egypt	Ahmed Elbeltagi / Adel Aboulnaga
Lebanon	

3. Activities in the past year and output/results

1st phase - preparation-

Circulation of the First Announcement to the National Coordinators of Algeria, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, and Tunisia (also sent to FAO)

The Workshop will be supported by FAO (Dr. Philippe Ankers, the FAO Subregional coordinator for North Africa)

Decide on the date (2 days Workshop) between 15 -25 of November 2019 - location Hamamet, Tunisia.

Positive responses from Egypt, Morocco (and Tunisia who is the local organiser)

Still missing the details on the local organization (location, accommodation, travelling etc)

We need to decide on how to contact the countries that haven't responded so far.

4. Plans and priorities for the next year (to be formally approved by Assembly)

The ad-hoc action will be completed within 2019.

After the meeting in Ghent the 2nd announcement will be sent, with the detailed structure of the program and the expected list of participants.

Expected Budget

Budget: max 15000 (15 -20 participants*750)

1200 (lunch/ dinner)

1300 (logistics)

Total (expected): 17500

All expenses shall follow the ERFP Rules for Reimbursement of Costs.

	ERFP	FAO	Local organizers	Other funding
Travelling	6-7 persons max *800= 5600 euros (ERFP WG members)	XXXXX NCs of North Africa		
Meeting costs (2 X 15 -20 participants?) Lunch Dinner			XXXX	
Other costs (related with the meeting)			XXXXX	
Total	5600 euros			