

ERFP General Assembly Tallinn, 2017

Report of Task Force EU matters

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1. Monitoring of EU legislation with AnGR relevance

- I. Pre-work: screening of legal acts and assembling / highlighting articles with AnGR relevance in the selected legal acts
- II. Meeting in Bled (June 2017): start of downsizing information & prioritization with regard to AnGR relevance (priority 1 and 2)

High relevance with direct impact on AnGR – Priority 1

- Rural development policy agri-environment-climate measures
- Animal breeding regulation
- Access and Benefit Sharing
- State aid in the agricultural and forestry sectors and in rural areas
- Agricultural research and innovation (H2020, EIP)
- Semen, ova, embryos

Less relevance with indirect impact on AnGR – Priority 2

- New animal health law
- Animal welfare
- Animal identification
- EU agricultural product quality policy
- Promotion of EU farm products
- Organic farming policy
- TSE regulation
- Market measures (marketing standards)
- Official control regulation
- Food labelling legislation
- Intellectual property policy
- Public procurement



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III. Splitting up legal acts between TF EU members: 1-2 pages document per legal act

→ Example

IV. Next step: writing a policy paper on AnGR

Proposed structure of policy paper:

I. Common introductory part

II. Analysis of the different legal acts:

- 1. Legal act "A" General scope Specific elements of relevance for AnGR Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT) Outlooks and future recommendations Links to legislation
- 2. Legal act "B"

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III. Examples of best practice (across policy fields)

- IV. General conclusions and recommendations
- → Next meeting of TF EU (October 2017): ongoing work on position paper



2. Other matters

- Contact with EU bodies: common letter sent to the EU institutional bodies, signed by ECPGR, EUFORGEN, MIRRI and ERFP suggesting a meeting with the EU institutions to discuss future needs with regard to genetic resources (in the context of the outcome of the study "Preparatory actions on EU plant and animal genetic resources in agriculture")
- EU reference centre for endangered breeds (see tomorrow's presentation)

RFP EUROPE 2. Workplan 2017/2018

- Continue progress on policy paper, set up of tailor made sector specific guidelines (future ERFP webpage) → comment: check out possibilities to incorporate / finetune this part under work package WP CC 5 Policy and law of H2020 networking project
- 2. Starting collaboration with TF "in situ conservation" (findings in policy paper may be relevant for TF/WG "in situ conservation")
- 3. Contributions to the new webpage development for ERFP
- 4. If needed, « pave the way » for the EU reference centre for endangered breeds
- 5. Contact with EU bodies

RFP EUROPE 3. Call for new TF EU members

Current composition of the TF EU:

- Filomena Afonso (Portugal)
- Montserrat Castellanos Moncho (Spain)
- Göte Frid (Sweden)
- Maija Pontaga (Latvia)
- Jeanne Bormann (Luxembourg) chair

Left:

- Didier Bouchel (France)
- Tamas Szobolevszki (Hungary)

Pre-requisites:

- Past experience with EU or still holding an active function at EU level
- Not necessarily National Coordinators, other experts nominated by the National Coordinator
- Show expertise in the above cited legislative fields or be able to establish good working relations with their national representatives
- Composition of the group must take into account that knowledge is best spread over the members of the Task force

(see Strategic paper of Collaboration with the European Union - General assembly 2015)