

Kick-off meeting of the ERFP Working Group on Ex-situ conservation

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Thursday, 14th April 2011

12:00 – 13:00	Lunch at Casino of Federal Office (optional and on own expenses)	
13:00 – 17:00	Welcome / introduction	ERFP Steering Committee
	brief introduction of members	all members
	election of rapporteur	
	election of Chair	all members
	Recent and past activities of ERFP in the area of cryoconservation (15 minutes)	Sipke Joost Hiemstra
	Experience with ex situ conservation (status, problems, solutions)	
	Cryoconservation in Slovenia (20 minutes)	Drago Kompan
	 Framework for and status of ex situ conservation in Germany (10 minutes) 	Martina Henning
	National Genepool Switzerland (15 minutes)	Fritz Schmitz-Hsu
	other countries	all members
	discussion	all members
	how are cryo-conservation schemes organised and how are breeding associations and AI centres involved in different countries	
	what are European and national (sanitary) legislation governing the collection and cryo-conservation of genetic material	
	review of available technology and urgent needs of legislation	



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	– establishment of a European Cryobank?	
18:00	Social Dinner (optional and on own expenses)	

Friday, 15th April 2011

09:00 – 11:00	summary of discussions	Chair of Working Group
	further proceedings	all members