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## Time frame and planned activities of this *Ad hoc* action

### (Pre Corona)

***Task 1. Virtual network establishment (months I-II)***


***Sub-task 1.1. Virtual meeting with current partners to agree on the working procedure, and sharing the efforts in identifying and contacting additional key actors for active involvement in the network operativity (month I)***

*Sub-task 1.2.* Enlargement of the virtual network to additional key actors identified and contacted in Sub-task 1.1. (month II).

*Sub-task 1.3.* Follow-up on the enlargement and refinement of the virtual network composition, to assure balanced country and sectoral representation (months III-XII)

VIRTUAL MEETING HAVE BEEN HELD AND PLANNED

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***Task 2. Collection and mobilization of information (months II-XII)***


*Sub-task 2.1.* Launch of a survey among the key identified actors in order to collect information on the current status (e.g. genetic structure and relationship, census, ongoing *in situ* and *ex situ* conservation and promotion actions, main limiting factors) of European Merino sheep populations (months II-V)

*Sub-task 2.2.* Production of a structured report of the information collected in Sub-task 2.1. (month VI)

*Sub-task 2.3.* Mobilization of the collected information through visibility on the web (months VI-XII) and presentation during the real 2-days meeting (month VII)

GENETIC ANALYSIS ON GOING

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**Task 3. Organization of the real meeting of network stakeholders (months I-VII) (The planning of this task had to be modified according to the Corona restrictions and the delay in starting )**

*Sub-task 3.1.* Planning of the meeting with key partners (place, date, format, list of invited people, accommodations and other facilities, etc.) (month I)

*Sub-task 3.2.* Communication of the event (via ERFP website, institutional websites of the key partners, thematic web-sites, social media...) (months II-IV)

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**Task 1. Establishing the network**

Virtual meeting July 8° and 3° August

Participants from Institutions, Universities and research institutions, breeder associations and cooperative from:

Italy (University of Molise, Perugia, Bari, ASSONAPA)

Spain (University of Cordoba, Asociación Nacional de Criadores de Ganado Merino, OVISO)

Portugal (INEA, ANCORME)

Germany (VDL)


France (IDELE, PACA)

Poland (National Research Institute of Animal Production)


Romania (Universitatea Cluj-Napoca)

*Hungary*


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List of breeds and samples number to be considered in the investigation at genomic level by means of SNP Bead chip technology.

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Transhumance, the seasonal driving of livestock along migratory routes in the Mediterranean and in the Alps

Inscribed in 2019 (14.COM) on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity

Transhumance, the seasonal driving of livestock along migratory routes in the Mediterranean and the Alps, is a form of pastoralism. Every year in spring and autumn, thousands of animals are driven by groups of herders together with their dogs and horses along steady routes between two geographical and



The UNESCO acknowledgment is relevant for Merino breeds at least in Spain and Italy where transhumance was the traditional system

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