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WORKING GROUP EX SITU CONSERVATION MEETING. OBJECTIVES- REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 2020-2021.

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1.AGENDA.

CHAIR: FERNANDO TEJERINA.
RAPPORTEURS: CORALIE DACHIN AND NINA SÆTHER

June 2 nd	Meeting of the Ex situ Conservation Working Group	
09:00 - 09:15	Welcome and Introduction	Chair.
	Objectives of the meeting - Report on the WG activities	
09:15- 10:00	Final Results of the AHA on Development of specifications for a modern gene bank documentation software (CryoWEB 2.0) and	Zhivko Duchev.
	further steps.	
10:00- 10:10	Final Results Ad Hoc Action to support the development of EUGENA, to	Chair.
	identify candidate EUGENA gene banks, and improve the	
	information about the gene banks in Europe.	
10:10-10:50	Updating of EUGENA status. Proposals to facilitate the enrolment of	Chair + WG Members
	new members. Further steps.	
10:50-11:20	Break	
11:20-11:40	European Strategy for the Conservation and Use of animal genetic	Chair
	resources – presentation of part for Ex situ conservation and key commitments	
11:40-12:15	Feedback on European Strategy key commitments on Ex situ conservation.	Chair + WG members
12:15-12:30	Outcomes from Ad Hoc Action to strengthening national capacities	Christina Ligda
	towards the development of a national Gene Bank strategy	
12:30-12:50	Election of the Chair WG for 2021-2024 period.	All Together.
12:50-13:10	Ad Hoc Action proposals.	All Together
13:10- 13:25	Workplan for 2022 (to be approved at Assembly)	Chair
13:25-13:35	AOB - conclusion	All Together



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2.OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING

- ✓ Report on activities of the WG, focus in:
 - Final results of the Ad Hoc Action for the development of specifications for a modern gene bank documentation software and further steps.
 - Final results of the Ad Hoc Action to support the development of EUGENA, to identify candidate EUGENA gene banks, and improve the information about the gene banks in Europe.
 - Ad Hoc Action Strengthening national capacities towards the development of a national Gene Bank strategy.
- ✓ Report on the EUGENA status and analyze a proposal to facilitate the enrolment of new countries-genebanks.
- ✓ Review Chapter 2.3.2 Develop Ex Situ Conservation programs and infrastructure for animal genetic resources in the proposal of European strategy for animal genetic resources.
- ✓ Election of the Chair WG for 2021-2024 period.
- ✓ Propose new AHAs.
- ✓ Propose the Workplan for 2022.



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3. ACTIVITIES IN THE LAST YEAR AND OUTPUT/RESULTS. WORKPLAN FOR 2020-21

- 1. Development of EUGENA.
- 2. Development of a modern genebank documentation software in coherence with the results of the Ad Hoc Action.
- 3. Supporting the development of national regulation about germinal products collection intended to be kept in genebanks and the recognition of genebanks at national level.
- Collaboration with the ResGen Bridge Project in the development of the European Genetic Resources Strategy and specific Program for AnGR (European strategy for animal genetic resources).
- Supporting the application of the new regulation of germinal products in relation with the procedure for germinal products moved to genebanks in another Member State
- 6. Collaboration with the Ad Hoc Action: Transboundary breeds in Europe. Promote concerted action between countries.
- Sharing knowledge and expertise in relation with Cryopreservation protocols by species.
- Spread information about ex situ conservation and EUGENA in collaboration with the Communication Strategy of the ERFP.



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3. ACTIVITIES IN THE LAST YEAR AND OUTPUT/RESULTS.

- Report on the WG activities in On-line ERFP General Assembly. Workplan 2021.
- Ending of the Ad Hoc Actions:
 - Development of specifications for a modern gene bank documentation software.
 - Support the development of EUGENA, to identify candidate EUGENA gene banks, and improve the information about the gene banks in Europe.
- Approval and development of the Ad Hoc Action:
 - Strengthening national capacities towards the development of a national Gene Bank strategy. (Albania, Austria, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Serbia, Slovenia and Spain)



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3. ACTIVITIES IN THE LAST YEAR AND OUTPUT/RESULTS.

- Dissemination of the last IMAGE outputs.
- Collaborate in the development of AHA Transboundary breeds in Europe. Promote concerted action between countries. (Ewa Sosin and Srdjan Stojanovic).
- Collaborate with ERFP Secretariat in the dissemination of information and knowledge in the ERFP Webpage and Social Media.
- Oral presentation, EUGENA: the European Genebank Network for Animal Genetic Resources, in International Congress on the Breeding of Sheeps and Goats.



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3. ACTIVITIES IN THE LAST YEAR AND OUTPUT/RESULTS.

- Development of EUGENA.
 - New gene bank on board: Latvian University of Life Sciences and Technologies.
 - Update of information in the EUGENA webpage.
- Collaboration with Ad Hoc Action GenRes Bridge Project European Strategy on Animal Genetic Resources (Srdjan Stojanovic and Ruta Šveistiene)
- Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/686 as regards the approval of germinal product establishments and the traceability and animal health requirements for movements within the Union of germinal products of certain kept terrestrial animals. IN FORCE SINCE 21TH APRIL.

THANK YOU

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