

## **Minutes of the ERFP Steering Committee meeting**

March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022, webconference

### **Participants:**

**Chair:** Montserrat Castellanos Moncho, Spain

### **National coordinators, members of the SC:**

Danijela Bojkovski, Slovenia	Christina Ligda, Greece
Holger Göderz on behalf of Jan Hendrik Schneider, Germany	Ruta Šveistienė, Lithuania

### **Invited participants:**

Sipke J. Hiemstra, NC The Netherlands	Enrico Sturaro, Doc & Info Chair, Italy
Grazyna Polak, NC Poland	Fernando Tejerina, <i>Ex Situ</i> Chair, Spain

### **Excused:**

Nina Svartedal, Norway;

### **Secretariat:**

Coralie Danchin, Alice Gurbanov (Idele) and Eleonore Charvolin-Lemaire (Inrae) (France)

Montserrat Castellanos welcomes the participants and introduces the agenda.

### **1. Brief information**

*Cf. slides 2 to 6 from the document “1\_ERFP\_SC\_March\_2022\_SecretariatReportVweb.ppt”*

All the documents of the French application for the next election of the ERFP secretariat were forwarded to the SC members before the SC meeting; no comments are made by the SC members.

### **2. EC Call for Reference Centre endangered breeds / follow up of the strategies**

*Cf. slides 7 to 10 from the document “1\_ERFP\_SC\_March\_2022\_SecretariatReportVweb.ppt”*

DG SANTE launched a call for a reference Center on endangered breeds March 16th, 2022. The deadline for the application is really short (May 16th 2022). At ERFP level, the proposal was forwarded to all NCs before the SC meeting and NCs were offered to participate to this point of the agenda of the SC meeting if interested by the topic.

Discussions are made in order to present an application strongly linked with ERFP to avoid duplications and make sure about the connections between the two institutions. A consortium of three organisations, that is holding the secretariat currently (IDELE, France) and in the past (BLE, Germany) together with the organisation that chaired ERFP for two consecutive terms (CGN, The Netherlands) is favourably supported by the ERFP chair, SC and chairs. Efforts will be made to include widely the ERFP network in their work, if the consortium is elected as the EURC for endangered breeds.

Due to the strong connection between the establishment of the EURC and the TF strategy, work connected to this TF will be on hold till the result of the call is known.

### **3. Communication**

*Cf. slide 11 from the document "1\_ERFP\_SC\_March\_2022\_SecretariatReportVweb.ppt"*

Due to lack of time, this point is adjourned to the next SC.

### **4. Joint working groups 2022**

Due to the favourable orientation of the Covid situation, the SC agrees to hold a physical meeting of the WGs. Time is limited for the organization of such a meeting; therefore, the Secretariat offers to organize it in Paris, France, from June 1<sup>st</sup> till June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The agenda for each meeting and joint sessions will be organized by the chairs and secretariat. Registration forms will be sent as soon as possible.

Eleonore Charvolin will start a new cycle of regular webmeeting for the Transboundary breeds TF.

### **5. Organization of the General Assembly**

Eleonore Charvolin is in contact with Nuno Carolino, Portugal NC, for the organization of the General Assembly. As for the WG, it seems feasible to foresee a physical meeting of the assembly.

<b>The next webmeeting of the SC will be held July 19<sup>th</sup> 2022</b>
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**The meeting closed at 13:15.**