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# WORKING GROUP EX SITU CONSERVATION MEETING. OBJECTIVES- REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 2021-2022.


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## 2. OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING

- ✓ Report on activities of the WG, focus in:
  - Ad Hoc Action Strengthening national capacities towards the development of a national Gene Bank strategy.
  - Task Force on documentation software for genebanks.
- ✓ Report on the EUGENA status and inform about new conditions to enroll genebanks stated in EUGENA-ToR.
- ✓ Discuss on and propose actions to achieve the key recommendations, related to ex situ conservation, proposed in the European Strategy for Animal Genetic Resources and in consequence develop an Action Plan and MYPOW.
- ✓ Inform the WG members on:
  - ✓ The activities of Association of Zoological Garden in the ex situ conservation of AnGR.
  - ✓ Support measures to AnGR in in the new RDP regulation.
  - ✓ Nordfrost project
- ✓ Further steps in Ad Hoc Action use of the IMAGE self-diagnostic tool to support the development of a quality management system in European animal gene banks and Ad hoc action on specific measures for AnGR ex situ conservation in the framework of the animal health legislation. Propose new AHAs .
- ✓ Propose the Workplan for 2023.

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### 3. ACTIVITIES IN THE LAST YEAR AND RESULTS.


#### WORKPLAN FOR 2021-22

1. Development of **EUGENA**.
2. Development of a modern genebank documentation software.
3. Supporting the development of national regulation on germinal products intended to be stored in genebanks and the recognition of genebanks at national level (AHA).
4. Collaboration in the development of the European genetic resources strategy and specific European strategy for animal genetic resources.
5. Sharing knowledge and expertise in relation with cryopreservation protocols by species.
6. Support the utilization of Quality Management Systems in Genebanks (AHA).
7. Develop AHA strengthening national capacities towards the development of a national genebank strategy.
8. Supporting the application of the new regulation on germinal products in relation with the procedure to move material to genebanks in another Member State (AHA).
9. Collaboration in the development of tools for the assessment of breeding programmes.
10. Collaboration with the Ad Hoc Action: Transboundary breeds in Europe. Promote concerted action between countries.
11. 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 RESULTS.

- On-line ERFP General Assembly (2021):
  - Report on the WG activities.
  - Conclusions of the preliminary market study on data software for gene banks.
  - Approval of the Task Force on documentation software for genebanks.
  - Approval of new EUGENA ToR.
  - Approval of Workplan 2022.
- Development of EUGENA.
  - 1 new country on board: Slovakia
  - 3 New genebanks on board from Serbia, Poland and Slovakia.
  - Update of information in the EUGENA webpage.
  - New EUGENA Flyer.
- Developing of the:
  - Task Force on documentation software for genebanks (2 on-line meetings).
  - AHA Strengthening national capacities towards the development of a national Gene Bank strategy.

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

- Collaboration with Ad Hoc Action GenRes Bridge Project – European Strategy on Animal Genetic Resources. Participation in “Launch of the Genetic Resources Strategies for Europe” event, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021
- SC approve:
  - Ad hoc action on specific measures for AnGR ex situ conservation in the framework of the animal health legislation.
  - Ad Hoc Action use of the IMAGE self-diagnostic tool to support the development of a quality management system in European animal gene banks.
- Collaborate with ERFP Secretariat in the dissemination of information and knowledge in the ERFP Webpage and Social Media.