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Chair of the In situ conservation and valorisation of AnGR working group

## Report of In situ conservation and valorisation of AnGR ERFP working group – 2022/2023

### 1. Objectives of the group (Summary)

The overall goal of this WG is the improvement of the in situ conservation (on-farm conservation) and valorisation of AnGR to provide a base for their sustainable use. Experiences on different initiatives with sharing of information among countries about implemented and planned activities related to on-farm conservation, success stories and projects need to be exchanged. The group will review legal conditions and financial support measures in order to optimize their implementation in on-farm conservation strategies. The WG will also support the on-farm conservation efforts for transboundary breeds as well as the promotion of the utilization of rare breeds and respective R&D activities to relevant stakeholders, for value chains and landscape management, the identification of “added value”-arguments (e. g. cultural heritage, traditional knowledge, ecosystem services, local marketing, organic agriculture). Approaches for a better integration of in situ and ex situ conservation activities in Europe need to be elaborated and promoted together with the WG “Ex situ conservation”.

### 2. Membership of the group (chair in grey)

Country	Name Member	Surname
Albania	Kristaq	KUME
Austria	Beate	BERGER
Croatia	Ante	IVANKOVIĆ
Finland	Juha	KANTANEN
France	Coralie	DANCHIN-BURGE
Georgia	Tornike	ZHGENTI
Germany	Holger	GÖDERZ
Greece	Dimitrios	TSIOKOS
Iceland	Birna K.	BALDURSDÓTTIR
Italy	Fabio	PILLA
Latvia	Anna	ZELTKOVSKA
Lithuania	Ruta	ŠVEISTIENĖ

Country	Name Member	Surname
Montenegro	Milan	MARKOVIC
Nordgen*	Mervi	HONKATUKIA
Norway	Peer	BERG
Poland	Agnieszka	CHEŁMIŃSKA
Portugal <sup>1</sup>	Pedro	VIEIRA
Portugal	Nuno	CAROLINO
ProSpecieRara	Philippe	AMMANN
Rare Breeds International (RBI)*	Francisco Javier	NAVAS GONZÁLEZ
Rare Breeds International (RBI)*	Juan Vicente	DELGADO BERMEJO
Serbia	Srdjan	STOJANOVIĆ
Slovakia	Ján	TOMKA
Slovenia	Danijela	BOJKOVSKI
Spain	Jesus	FERNANDEZ MARTIN
Sweden	Anna-Karin	GIDLUND
The Netherlands	Mira	SCHOON
United Kingdom	Marcus	BATES

\* observer

<sup>1</sup>: Alternate

### 3. Activities in the past year and output/results

Working group activities in the period 2022/2023 included following activities:

- The WG *In situ* support preparation of the Action Plan Action Plan for The Animal Genetic Resources Strategy for Europe while Chair of the WG was actively involved in the development process.
- The WG *also* support preparation and Development of the ERFP MyPOW.
- The WG members prepared and reviewed the questionnaire prepared to investigate how in situ conservation is understood in different countries.
- The financial support measures in the light of new New Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) for the period 2023- 27. The questionnaire will be transformed into the online questionnaire and send to all NC and WG experts.
- Members of the WG agreed to develop two *Ad hoc* actions on: Local breed and transhumance in the Alps and in the Mediterranean regions, (leader: Fabio Pilla) and second where two proposals will be joined in one ad hoc action: Reinforce and support landscape management with native breeds and Breed characteristics and traits related to adaptation in specific ecosystems and farming system.
- Work on ad hoc action about native horse network (leader: Ruta Sveistene).
- Organization of the annual WG meeting joined with other WGs and election of the new Chair.

#### **4. Plans and priorities for the next year (to be formally approved by Assembly)**

The group proposed to continue or start work on the following subjects:

1. Support and collaboration in ad hoc transboundary breed.
2. Start the new Ad hoc action: Local breed and transhumance in the Alps and in the Mediterranean regions (leader: Fabio Pilla).
3. Joined in one ad hoc proposal of Holger Göderz and Jesus Fernandez.
4. Continue work on ad hoc action about native horse network (leader: Ruta Sveistene)
5. Prepare two workshops on case studies for breeders, breeders associations and nature protection organisations.

#### **5. Other**