



Agenda of the EUGENA Steering Board meeting

11th-13th September 2025, Olsztyn, Poland.

Host: National Research Institute of Animal Production, Institute of Animal Reproduction and Food Research, Polish Academy of Science

Chair: Ewa Sosin, Poland

11th Sept	DAY 1 – EUGENA visits Popielno, ex situ in vivo	
8:30	Registration to SLTB conference	
9:00-10:30	Olsztyn -Popielno	Research Station in Popielno
10:30-11:00	Coffee break	
11:00-11:30	Welcome in Popielno Research Station – Host	Mamado
11:30-11:45	Welcome and Introduction	Chair
11:45-12:00	Round of introductions and news from countries and genebanks	All together
12:00-12:30	Lunch	
12:30-14:30	Visit in Popielno -facilities - Konik Polski horses, Polish Black and White, Polish Red cattle The Popielno Museum	Mamadou Moussa Bah
14:30-14:50	Ex situ WG news and updating of the EUGENA status	Chair
14:50-15:30	Discussion of the incorporation of ex situ – in vivo facilities to EUGENA	Chair, All together
15:30-17:00	Popielno-Olsztyn	
18:00	Olsztyn Sightseeing	
12th Sept	DAY 2 – Joint session with SLTB, fish cryoconservation	PAN Institute PAN, Trylinskiego 18 St.
9:15	Welcome from the Director of the InLife Institute,	Monika Kaczmarek
9:30	Joint session with SLTB – fish cryoconservation Plenary lecture: Sweet, salty and crowded: challenges in cryopreserving aquatic sperm. Exploring osmotic stress and the "salt intoxication" theory in practice - from sturgeons to corals,	Radoslaw Kowalski (Poland)

10:10	Coffee Break	
10:40-12:00	<p>Mussel cryopreservation, advances toward application at mini-hatchery scale,</p> <p>First successful cryopreservation of a cnidarian larva,</p> <p>Cryopreservation as a strategic tool for the mussel aquaculture industry,</p> <p>Cryopreservation of fish Embryos: Insights from <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i>, Ramiro González Aceved (Spain)</p> <p>Cryopreservation of complex microbial communities from environmental samples,</p>	<p>Anxo Iglesias (Spain)</p> <p>Alba Lago (Spain)</p> <p>Meis-Solla, Adrián (Spain)</p> <p>Ramiro González Aceved (Spain)</p> <p>Michele Grego (Netherlands)</p>
12:00	Excursion – In Life bank of genetic resources and the Institute facilities	
13:15	Lunch RESTAURACJA TRYLINKA	
	EUGENA MEMBERS only – SB meeting	Hybrid form
14:00	The objective of 2nd day of the meeting	Chair
14:10-14:30	New EUGENA tools	Zhivko Duchevev (Bulgaria)
14:30-14:50	Outcomes from the TF Software Database and new AHA	Annemieke Rattink. (Netherlands)
14:30-14:50	Self-assessment tool of quality management for livestock gene banks- how we can use it in EUGENA net	Chair
14:50-15:15	Discussion	All together
15:15	Coffee Break	
15:15-15:35	Using MAA and MTA in the genebanks – examples from Poland	Chair
15:35-16:00	Guidelines for the development of national animal health regulations for material intended to be kept in gene banks. Dissemination activities.	Fernando Tejerina (Spain)
16:00-16:45	Discussion and future tasks of EUGENA net	All together
16:45-17:00	Closing remarks	Chair
19:00	Gala dinner – Restaurant “Browar Warmia” (3h)	

13 th Sept	DAY 3 - Avian biodiversity conservation with SLTB	
9:00-9:35	Plenary lecture: Feathers on ice: Advances in avian semen cryopreservation for biodiversity conservation,	Agnieszka Partyka (Poland)
9:35-10:10	Plenary lecture: Cryopreservation of turkey semen,	Mariola Słowińska (Poland)
10:10-10:30	Coffee break	
10:30	Improved Cryopreservation of Chicken Gonadal Germ Cells via Vitrification, 10:45	Berenice Bernal Juarez (Netherlands)
10:45-11:00	Effects of L-carnitine and sericin on semen cryopreservation in roosters,	Barbara Végi (Hungary)
	Animal biodiversity conservation for sustainable development - with SLTB	
11:00-11:35	Plenary lecture: Building an Effective System of Ex Situ Conservation in Poland: Challenges and Progress,	Ewa Sosin (Poland)
11:35- 11:50	Advances in development of the European Genebank Network for Animal Genetic Resources	Zhivko Duchevev (Bulgaria)
11:50-12:20	Discussion panel -ex situ for sustainable Biodiversity Conservation	
12:20-12:30	Goodbye Coffee	
15:00	Olsztyn seen from a kayak - rafting on the Łyna River (2h) - additional registration is required	