



Annual Progress Report 2014

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- ERFP Secretariat -



ERFP Steering Committee

- 1st Meeting in **April 2014** in Bonn, Germany
 - ✓ ERFP Budget
 - ✓ Preparation of ERFP Assembly Meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark
 - ✓ MYPOW 2015 - 2018
 - ✓ European Genebank Network for AnGR (EUGENA)
 - ✓ ERFP Task Force “Collaboration with EU”
 - ✓ Review of ERFP activities
 - ✓ Draft EU regulation on animal breeding
- 2nd Meeting in **August 2014** in Copenhagen, Denmark
 - ✓ ERFP Budget
 - ✓ Preparation of Assembly Meeting
 - ✓ Further proceeding regarding the ERFP account holder
 - ✓ Bilateral meeting with the FAO



ERFP Steering Committee

- **Members**

Switzerland	Catherine Marguerat-König	Chair	since 2012
Germany	Frank Begemann	ERFP Secretariat	since 2010
Hungary	Tamas Szobolevski	Member “Central Reg.”	since 2010
Norway	Nina Saether	Member “North Region”	since 2011
Poland	Elzbieta Martyniuk	Member “East Region”	since 2011
Albania	Kristaq Kume	Member “South Region”	since 2013
The Netherlands	Sipke-Joost Hiemstra	Member “West Region”	since 2013

- **Leaving**

Tamas Szobolevski	Member “Central Region”
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- **Nomination**

Jeanne Bormann, Luxembourg	Member “Central Region”
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ERFP Secretariat

- Team**

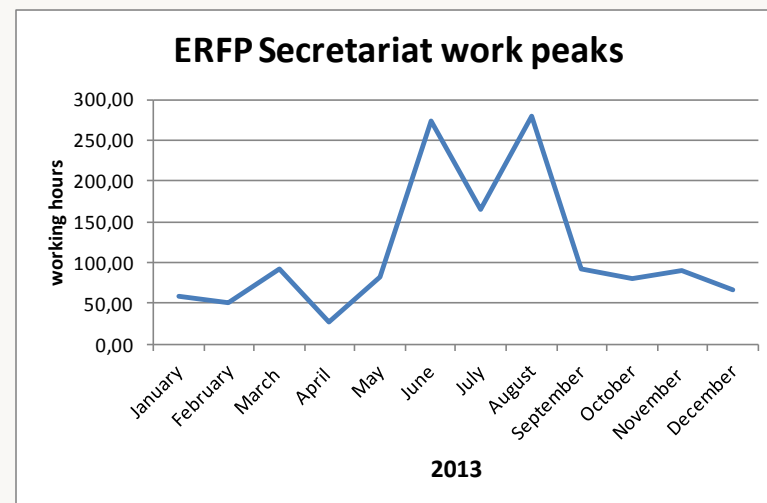
- ✓ Frank Begemann (Head) - Sebastian Winkel – Holger Göderz

- Activities**

- ✓ Support in the preparation of a joint meeting on the further development of a European Genebank Network for AnGR
- ✓ Information service to National Coordinators via email and the ERFP website
- ✓ Administrative support of the ERFP Steering Committee

- Assessment of workload**

	January – December 2013	January – June 2014
hours in total	1361	491
hours average per month	113	82
personnel costs in total	€ 55,300	€ 20,040
personnel costs average per month	€ 4,610	€ 3,340





ERFP Assembly

- **Meeting in Nantes, France – August 2013**
 - ✓ Revision of budget lines and adoption of budget 2014
 - ✓ Election of new ERFP Steering Committee members
 - ✓ Revision of country contributions
 - ✓ ERFP account holding
 - ✓ Adoption of revised Terms of Reference and Rules for Reimbursement
 - ✓ ERPF Secretariat 2014 – 2018

- **Meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark – August 2014**
 - ✓ Revision of budget lines and adoption of budget 2014
 - ✓ Adoption of revised Rules for Reimbursement
 - ✓ ERFP account holding
 - ✓ Election of new ERFP Steering Committee member
 - ✓ Election of ERPF Secretariat 2014 - 2018
 - ✓ Reports from the ERFP Working Groups, Task Forces and Ad hoc actions



ERFP Working Groups

- **Working Group Documentation and Information**

- ✓ Meeting on 5th and 6th March 2014 in Thessaloniki, Greece

- **Working Group Ex situ conservation**

- ✓ Joint meeting for the further development of the European Genebank Network for Animal Genetic Resources (EUGENA) on 2nd July 2014 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- ✓ Working Group meeting on 2nd July 2014 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands

→ **detailed reports by the Working Group leaders**



ERFP Task Forces

- **Task Force on Risk Status and Indicators**

will be presented in Copenhagen, Denmark

- **Task Force on Access and Benefit Sharing**

- ✓ Meeting on 4th April 2014 in Bonn, Germany

- ✓ Joint meeting for the further development of the European Genebank Network for Animal Genetic Resources (EUGENA) on 2nd July 2014 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands

- ✓ Meeting on 3rd July 2014 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands

→ **detailed reports by the Task Force leaders**



ERFP Ad hoc actions / Projects

- ERFP Projects under former “Call for Action” closed in 2013:
 - ✓ “Development of a regional network in function of sustainable breeding programs for transboundary breeds
project coordinator: Ante Ivankovic, NC Croatia
 - ✓ “Evaluation of Current Status of Busha Cattle and development of a regional breeding programme for their conservation and sustainable economic use”
project coordinator: Kristaq Kume, NC Albania



ERFP Ad hoc actions / Projects

- ERFP Projects under former “Call for Action” closed in 2014:
 - ✓ “Study of origin and conservation strategy of the Pramenka sheep breeds as regional transboundary breeds
project coordinator: Ante Ivankovic, NC Croatia
 - ✓ “Proper way of supports for endangered livestock breeds – SUBSIBREED”
project coordinator: Drago Kompan, NC Slovenia
 - ✓ “Development of models assessing the breeds risk status by utilization of population and relevant geo-referenced data”
project coordinator: Andreas Georgoudis, NC Greece
 - ✓ “Workshop for European NCs on strategies, relevant for the genetic management and sustainable use/breeding of AnGR”
project coordinator: Sipke Joost Hiemstra, NC Netherlands



ERFP Ad hoc actions / Projects

- Further ERFP Projects (costs are already covered by the general expenses budget line):
 - ✓ “Cryoweb-Transboundary breeds”
project coordinator: Sipke Joost Hiemstra, NC Netherlands
 - ✓ “New EFABIS reports”
project coordinator: Christina Ligda, Greece
 - ✓ “EFABIS upload workshops”
project coordinator: Zhivko Ducheve, Bulgaria



ERFP Collaboration with other organisations

- **FAO**
 - ✓ close collaboration with the Animal Genetic Resources Branch at the FAO
 - ✓ annual bilateral meeting
- **Observer to Assembly**
 - ✓ FAO, DAGENE, EAAP, EFFAB, NordGen, RBI, SAVE
- **EU Commission**
 - ✓ ERFP seeks to establish regular contact and further enhance cooperation
 - new ERFP Task Force “Collaboration with EU”
 - ✓ unfortunately no report on Assembly Meeting



Achievements in the period 2010 - 2014

- ✓ progress in the establishment of an appropriate organisational structure;
 - Working Groups, Task Forces, Ad hoc actions
 - Terms of Reference, Rules for Reimbursement, administrative procedures
 - ERFP website
 - MYPOW

- ✓ increase of the number of donor countries of 15 in the period 2006 – 2010 to 24 in the period 2010 - 2014;

- ✓ stabilisation of the budget and secured capital reserve (appr. € 290.000) to carry out numerous activities to achieve the objectives of ERFP;

- ✓ improvement of documentation by motivating an increasing number of countries to upload their AnGR data in EFABIS e. g. by a LoA related to EFABIS and a new developed upload tool;

- ✓ development of Terms of Reference for the European Genebank Network (EUGENA) as a starting point for the establishment of EUGENA to facilitate *ex situ* conservation and sustainable use of AnGR.



Achievements in the period 2010 - 2014

✓valuable submissions to FAO:

- regional reports on the implementation of the GPA,
- revised transboundary breed list for EFABIS
- ABS, voluntary codes of conduct, guidelines and best practices, and/or standards
- support in the assessment of the GPA Trust Fund pre-proposals
- poster for the 6th session of the ITWG on AnGR in Rome, 2010;

✓ participation in stakeholder consultations of the European Commission on Council Regulation (EC) No. 870/2004 on the “Conservation, Characterisation, Collection and Utilisation of Genetic Resources in Agriculture”;

✓ statement on EU proposal on animal breeding legislation;

✓ successful completion of the TF Agri-environmental Measures and the TF Risk Status and Indicators;

✓ successful completion of 13 ERFP projects