

MEETING OF THE ECPGR NETWORK OF GENE BANK MANAGERS

13-15 MAY 2024

Hosted by INIAV – BPGV, BRAGA, PORTUGAL

DRAFT PROGRAM

Monday 13 May 2024

Arrival of participants at Porto Airport (OPO) and [transfer by bus](#) to hotel in Braga.

19.30 Dinner in Braga (self-funded)

Tuesday 14 May 2024

Meeting – ECPGR Network of Genebank Managers at the Portuguese National Genebank (BPGV)

09.00 Welcome by the chairperson and the President of INIAV

09.10 Introduction to the Portuguese National Genebank (BPGV), Ana Maria Barata

09.30 ECPGR Network of Genebank Managers – how to use it in the best possible way.
Introduction by Lise Lykke Steffensen to discussions in groups and plenary

10.30 *Coffee break*

10.45 ECPGR Network of Genebank Managers – how to use it in the best possible way.

12.30 *Lunch*

13.15 Tour at the Portuguese National Genebank (BPGV)

14.15 Group photo

14.30 AEGIS: A European Genebank Integrated System; Lorenzo Maggioni

15.15 *Coffee break*

15.30 Let's fly high: the perfect genebank community in Europe (and improving the current by collaborating more effectively), Theo van Hintum

16.45 PRO-GRACE – Horizon European Research Infrastructure status and discussion on the strategic pros and cons of the initiative, Lorenzo Maggioni

17.30 Return to hotel

19.30 Dinner (Funded by ECPGR)



Wednesday 15 May 2024

Meeting – ECPGR Network of Genebank Managers, at the Portuguese National Genebank (BPGV)

Theme: Distribution and Quality

- 09.00 Quality management system set up in genebanks
- Thoughts about elements in a quality management system; Lise Lykke Steffensen
 - Experiences from EU Horizont AGENT project; Dagmar Janovská
 - Examples from genebanks on quality management systems, Jelka Šuštar Vozlič
 - Discussions
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 11.00 The Network hour – questions that have been brought up for discussion among us.
- Received questions and more can be brought up at the meeting:
- What are the legal provisions for distribution of seeds with a SMTA ?, Alvaro Toledo and Francisco Lopez from the Treaty Secretariat (Virtual presentation)
 - Providing seeds to private persons/hobby gardeners. How it has been solved in different genebanks, Külli Annamaa to introduce
- 12.00 Recap of the two days, next meetings, and closure. Ana Maria Barata and Lise Lykke Steffensen
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 Departure or voluntary field excursion organized by INIAV – BPGV
- 13.30 Return to hotel and/or departure of participants not joining the field excursion.
- 19.30 Return to hotel and/or departure of participants from field excursion.