Current hosting arrangements

Strengths

- Professional administrative support
- Support to information systems (covering the EURISCO operational costs)
- Cost of other options might be more costly
- Moving process usually is costly and requires time
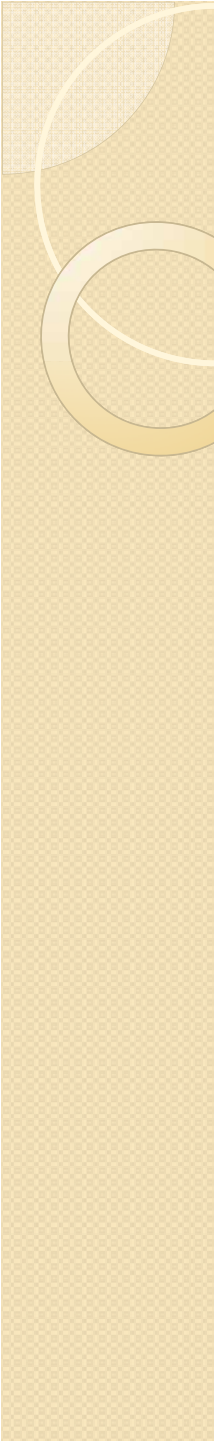- Close to the main international partners (ITPGRFA, FAO, Bioversity)

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Weaknesses

- Low level of independence
- increase the ECPGR total budget with approx 15%
- Bioversity´s mandate, objectives might be changed
- New location could bring new cooperation links and new approaches
- Limitations in recognition on international level as an independent body with own goals and objectives

Options for hosting arrangements

Option 1 – Hosting at the Bioversity	
Pros	Cons
Professional administrative support	Low level of independence
Support to information systems (covering the EURISCO operational costs)	increase the ECPGR total budget with approx 15%
Other options might be more costly than Bioversity	Bioversity s objectives might be changed
Moving process usually is costly and requires time	New location could bring new cooperation links and new approaches
Close to the main international partners (ITPGRFA Secretariat, FAO, Bioversity)	Limitations in recognition on international level as an independent body with own goals and objectives

- hosting and financing issues are interrelated
- hosting and legal status are interrelated

Tender procedures are required	• call for expression of interest • submission of expression of interest from companies • pre-screening process • publication of shortlisted companies • final selection process
ToRs for provision hosting services will be prepared	

Evaluation criteria have to be developed	• Cost
	• Know how
	• Country (Europe):
	    • zone/visa requirements,
	    • political stability,
	    • economic situation,
	    • tax policy,
	    • professional environment
	    • support of a hosting government
	    • society/living environment
	    • accessibility (for staff and visitors)