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## **Executive Board meeting**

On-line Teams meeting 29 November 2023

#### Thursday, 29 November 2023 | 10:00 - 11:00

10:00 – 10:30 | **WP7 workshop, organised by NPPC** 

All EB members

10:30 – 11:00 | **ECOBREED Final Conference organisation** 

All EB members

#### Meeting started on Wednesday, 29 November 2023 at 10:00.

Executive Board members present: Vladimir Meglič (coordinator), Paul Bilsborrow (deputy coordinator), Pavol Hauptvogel (WP1 leader), Heinrich Grausgruber (WP2 leader), Peter Dolničar (WP3 leader), Vuk Đorđević (WP4 leader), Dagmar Janovská (WP5 leader), Werner Vogt-Kaute (WP6 leader), Mario A. Pagnotta (WP7 leader), Antoaneta G. Kuhar (project manager and WP8 leader)

Other project members present: Andreja Žibrat Gašparič (KIS), Marie Živčakova (NPPC), Katarina Ondreičková (NPPC)

### WP7 workshop, organised by NPPC

Vladimir Meglič, the project coordinator, started the meeting. He said that for the genotyping workshop, organised by NPPC, 8 students have registered and 5 applied for the ECOBREED bursaries. Of these, only 2 students are eligible to receive the bursary.

The EB members agreed that 5 students can participate in the NPPC workshop as 3 of them are holders of RUS and BLR passports not eligible for EC support as is the case for EU training and that ECOBREED will reimburse the costs for 2 students as others are UCM students in Trnava, so no request for travel expenses. Antoaneta G. Kuhar (project manager) said that the KIS team will prepare the contracts and send it to the students for signature as soon as possible.

Pavol Hauptvogel (NPPC) said that 3 students will be staying at the dormitories at the University in Trnava and 2 students, bursary recipients, will stay in a hotel in Trnava. Lunch will be provided by NPPC (not ECOBREED) for the participants of the workshop.

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The project manager said that ECOBREED will reimburse the accommodation for the 2 students and will inform them about this with clear instructions and send them contracts this week. It was pointed out that mileage cannot be reimbursed.

Pavol Hauptvogel (NPPC) agreed that their institute will make registrations at a hotel for the accommodation of these two students. He also agreed to prepare the list of participants, make photos and prepare posts for sharing on social media.

### **ECOBREED Final Conference organisation**

Andreja Žibrat Gašparič (KIS) showed the announcement of the conference in the ECOBREED website and the registration link for all participants. Coordinator will send out dedicated emails to the invited speakers and all ECOBREED project partners to register and send abstracts as soon as possible. The deadline for registration is 15 December 2023.

Heinrich Grausgruber (BOKU) asked about accommodations and Antoaneta G. Kuhar (KIS) said that there will be special fares for accommodations at the Grant Hotel Union Eurostars in Ljubljana where the conference will be held. The special fare will be organised by the company hired to organise the conference. Participants will be solely responsible for reservations and payments.

The project coordinator asked all EB members to share the link and spread the word about the conference through their channels. He will send the information and the links also to EUCARPIA.

The EB members agreed to meet again online after the registration deadline to look at the abstract, list of participants and to prepare the final programme of the conference. The online meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19 December 2023 at 15:00 (3:00 pm) CET. Andreja Žibrat Gašparič (KIS) will send out the invitation and link to the meeting.

The project coordinator thanked everyone and wished all good luck with conducting the Genotyping workshop, preparing the deliverables and both reports.

Meeting was finished on Wednesday, 29 November 2023 at 10:45.