

## **AGENDA – actual**

**17<sup>th</sup> EU-VCU EXPERTS' GROUP MEETING**  
**May 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> 2023 – Korsør, Denmark**

### **Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

15:00 Arrival of participants

19:00 Welcome dinner

### **Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

#### **08:00 Welcome**

- Welcome and introduction – Anders S. Larsen/Gerhard Deneken

**Moderator: *Tomasz Lenartowicz***

#### **08:15 Updates and new developments in the national VCU systems – 15 min. each**

- Variety Testing in Slovenia and introduction of organic VCU – Simon Ograjsek
- Recent developments in German VCU-testing: Ongoing revision of sugar beet and soybean VCU – Haiko Brandes
- Updates and new developments in the CZ VCU system – Marek Povolny
- Recent developments in VCU-testing in France – Julie Gombert and Valerie Cadot
- Updates and new developments in the Italian VCU system – Anna Giulini and Giovanni Corsi
- Update and new developments in the Belgian VCU system – Joke Pannecouque
- Finnish VCU system – Kalle Ohralahti and Markku Niskanen

#### **10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break**

- VCU research on fodder grasses in the Netherlands – Jan Rinze
- VCU testing in Slovakia – Katarina Hanzelyova
- New development in the VCU system in Poland – Marcin Behnke
- New developments in testing for sustainability of varieties – Klemens Mechtler

#### **12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break**

**Moderator: *Klemens Mechtler***

#### **13:00 VsCU and PRM**

- Proposal for a new Regulation on plant reproductive material - State of play – Flevaris Spyridon – 20 min
- Changing EU PRM regulation – Perspective from Euroseeds - Nigel Moore – 30 min
- Report from VsCU survey among applicants in Denmark - Gerhard Deneken – 20 min
- Report on the working group about PRM proposal – Fabien Masson – 15 min
- Discussion – 20 min

**14:45 – 15:00 Coffee Break**

**15:00 Workshops**

- Defining and assessing sustainability of varieties

**16:00 Departure for the TystofteFoundation**

**16:30 Visit at TystofteFoundation, Skælskør**

16:00 Bus to TystofteFoundation

16:45 Welcome and introduction to the TystofteFoundation – Gerhard Deneken

17:10 VCU organization in Denmark – Anders S. Larsen

17:30 Tour of trials and facilities

19:00 Barbecue

21:30 Bus to Musholm

## **Wednesday, May 15th**

**Moderator: Anna Pia Giulini**

### **08:00 Project reports**

- Report from INNOVAR – Lisa Black, Agri-Food and Bioscience Institute, Crossnacreevy, Belfast

### **08:30 Variety mixtures – 20 min each**

- Variety mixtures and OHM in the Austrian INVITE wheat trials – Clemens Flamm
- Mixtures in the Danish variety test
- Variety Mixture: the current state in Italy – Giovanni Corsi
- “Evolution on cereal crops testing system” (wheat variety mixtures and evaluating spelt and wheat-spelt genotypes) – Silvan Strebel

### **10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break**

**Moderator: Fabien Masson**

### **10:30 Surveys**

- Seed coding systems for VCU trials – Tomasz Lenartowicz
- Results from clubroot survey – Valerie Cadot – 10 min.
- Taking grain quality and bread-making potential into account when registering wheat varieties. Overview of European protocols. (Results of 2023 survey) - Damien Eylenbosch – 15 min.
- Pesticide and fertilizer levels in the different VCU systems - discussion on if and how – Anders S. Larsen 10 min.

### **11:05 EU-VCU group status**

- Statutes of the EU-VCU group: report of the working group – Anna Giulini - 10 min.
- Evaluation of external participation in EU-VCU group meetings – 15 min

### **11:30 Conclusion and working plan – Gerhard Deneken**

### **12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break**

### **13:00 Global Rust Reference Center**

13:00 Departure to GRRC – *Remember to bring your luggage*

13:30 Tour of GRRC

15:00 Coffee

16:00 Arrival at Slagelse station