

## **COST ACTION FP0905**

### **Action FP0905: Biosafety of forest transgenic trees: improving the scientific basis for safe tree development and implementation of EU policy directives**

# **Minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Steering Board meeting**

**Sesto Fiorentino, Italy,  
23 May 2011**

## **0 Welcome to participants**

The participants of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Steering Board (SB) meeting of the COST Action FP0905, enlarged to the organisers of the France and Finland meetings, were welcomed by Cristina Vettori, the Chair for this Action. The list of participants in the SB meeting is presented in Annex 1, their contact details can be found on the COST website at [http://w3.cost.esf.org/index.php?id=183&action\\_number=FP0905](http://w3.cost.esf.org/index.php?id=183&action_number=FP0905).

## **1 Adoption of the agenda**

The draft agenda was adopted by the SB (Annex 2).

## **2 Report of WG activity**

Each WG Leader has illustrated the status of their WG (see WG report). A discussion was opened to better organise the flow of information among participants within each WG.

In particular, it has been decided necessary to verify the interest in participating to WG activity from all the persons nominated by the MC. Therefore, each WG leader has to prepare a scheme of the WG activities for the second year to be sent to each participant by e-mail and asking the interest to participate and possibility to collect the information from their country. It is extremely important to make a verification, in particular for WG3 and WG4 which activity is not well started and a major contribution from the participants is necessary. This verification will permit to verify if it is necessary to ask for additional experts from the MC at the next 3<sup>rd</sup> MC meeting in France (7/8 September 2011).

In addition, the flow of information within each WG has to be improved. The Task Force has the duty to keep the connection among the participants and the WG leader, and therefore they have to collect the information from all the participants to be organised and sent to the WG Leader. The

WG leader has the duty to assure that the Task Force collaborate in keeping the contact with all the participants.

### **3 Organization of the COST Workshop at the IUFRO meeting (1st July 2011)**

Each WG Leader confirms to have submitted the Abstract at the COST workshop to be held at the IUFRO meeting (1<sup>st</sup> July 2011, Arraial d'Ajuda, Bahia, Brazil).

The Chair remembers to check the correct format of the Abstract which have to be published in BMC proceeding and to make the registration as presenting author by 31 of May 2011.

### **4 To discuss some points of the trans-proposal**

At the moment the COST Office has not yet confirmed an additional budget to be used for the participation at the "Workshop on Value Communication in the Field of Novel Biotechnological Methods" (3/4 November 201, Munich, Germany), a joint initiative organised by Andreas Voloudakis, Chair of the Action FA0806.

The request of this activity has been added in the Work Budget Plan for the second year.

### **5 Information about organisation of training school in Germany**

The organisers of the Training School are Matthias Fladung and Klaus Minol. A training school on "Communication – how to speak with media" will be held in Darmstadt (Germany):

Period: 2 days, to be chosen in the week 7-13 November 2011

Training School Scientific Management Committee: Matthias Fladung, Klaus Minol, Cristina Vettori, Fabio Migliacci, Vassiliki Kazana

Students: 10

Teachers: 3 TO BE CONTACTED SOON

Program to be defined SOON

It has been decided that all the Information has be posed in the web site of the Action by 15 July 2011.

### **6 Next 3rd MC meeting in France (September 2011):**

A draft of the programme has been discussed with the organisers Gilles Pilate and Lise Jouanin:

2 Day meeting: 3 nights reimbursed

6th of September: Arrival

7th of September: 1st day: half day of workshop? (9-13); half day WG separate meeting (WG1, WG2, WG3+WG4) (14-18)

8th of September: 2nd day: continue separate WG meeting (9-11), joint WG meeting (11-13); GMO trial (14-16); MC meeting (16-18).

9th of September: Departure

Number of participants to be reimbursed: 42

Gilles Pilate will prepare the final programme with the list of speaker at the Workshop by the end of June to be able to send the invitation to the MC by the beginning of July 2011.

In addition, the SB has asked to have an informal answer from the MC member to know if they have the possibility to participate. It is very important to know in advance the possibility to invite additional persons from WG in time to avoid some problems encountered at the previous meetings

that some invitations were made at the last minutes and some persons could not participate because the invitation was arrived too late.

The Chair assure to make this investigation, nevertheless the successful of this depend if the MC members answer to this interrogation.

## **7 Meeting in Finland (April 2012)**

Organiser: Marja Ruohonen-Lehto and Hely Hagman

4<sup>th</sup> WG meeting, Workshop on Biosafety in Finland, and 3<sup>rd</sup> SB meeting

Location: Helsinki, Finland

Date: Arrival: 17 April 2012; 18-19 Meeting April 2012; Departure: 20 April 2012.

Number of participants to be reimbursed: 36

Agenda: general discussion and revision of some results, preparation of publications

Details of the meeting will be given at the 3<sup>rd</sup> MC meeting in France

## **7 Publication of future COST workshops in a JCR on-line journal:**

The Chair has to contact the Editor of i-Forest (JCR on-line journal) to make an agreement for publication of the Talks of Hamburg and Malaga meetings, and also for the future Workshops of the COST Action.

## **8 Planning of Joint Publications**

A plan for the first joint publication has to be prepared by the WG leader and to be presented at the next 3<sup>rd</sup> MC meeting in France.

In addition, a common sentence to be reported in the acknowledgement of papers deriving from the STSM has been formulated: "The authors thank the COST Action FP0905 for its contribution to this work through financing a Short Term Scientific Mission of "Name and Surname of the Applicant".

The Coordinator of the STSM, Lise Jouanin, has the responsibility to inform the past and future applicants and hosts of the STSM about the sentence to be mentioned in the publication.

## **9 Nomination of moderators for forum of the web site**

Considering that the Forum is ready to be activated in the website of the Action, the following moderators have been nominated:

WG1: Gilles Pilate and Hely Hagman

WG2: Fernando Gallardo and Marja Ruohonen-Lehto

WG3: Vassiliki Kazana and Mirjana Sijacic-Nikolic,

The moderators can be changed about every 3 months.

The Task force has to promote the discussion by posing some questions and topic in the website.

## **10 Take connection with other COST Actions: which one at what level?**

At the moment, there is a link with the COST Action FP0903 in relation to the STSM, but additional links with other Actions have to be considered.

The Chair invites the WG Leaders to check the COST website to evaluate the possibility of collaboration with the new approved Actions, and from the MoU to check the possibility of collaboration with:

E36: "Modelling and simulation in the pulp and paper industry": possible contact and information exchanges with additional end-users. WG2 ???

Chair of the Action: Dr Johannes KAPPEN (DE)

Action website: <http://www.coste36.org/>

E51 “Integrating Innovation and Development Policies for the Forest Sector”: possible information exchanges for the development of policies directives in relation to GMTs. WG3

Chair of the Action: Dr Gerhard WEISS (AT) [gerhard.weiss@boku.ac.at](mailto:gerhard.weiss@boku.ac.at)

Action website: <http://www.boku.ac.at/coste51>

FP0603 “Forest models for research and decision support in sustainable forest management”:  
exchanges similar to E51 WG3

Chair of the Action: Prof. Margarida TOME (PT) [magatome@isa.utl.pt](mailto:magatome@isa.utl.pt)

Action website: <http://www.isa.utl.pt/def/fp0603forestmodels/>

FP0804 “Forest management decision support systems”: exchanges similar to E51. WG3

Chair of the Action: Prof. Ola ERIKSSON (SE) [ola.eriksson@srh.slu.se](mailto:ola.eriksson@srh.slu.se)

Action website: <http://fp0804.emu.ee/?id=home>

FA864 “Combining Traditional and Advanced Strategies for Plant Protection in Pome Fruit Growing”: possible scientific and experience exchange in relation to strategy for protection of woody plants WG1 and WG2 ???

Chair of the Action: Prof. Karl STICH (AT)

Action website: <http://www.cost864.eu/>

#### **11 Industries and/or other organisation involvement?**

There is the necessity to take some contact with industries and other organisation. One very good opportunity is the IUFRO Tree Biotechnology meeting in Brazil. In addition, some contact can be taken considering the participants to other COST Action (see item 10).

#### **12 How our Action could contribute to the development of new/revised standards/codes of practices (or similar harmonisation activities)?**

Recommendation on risk assessment can be considered. This point has to be better discussed at the next 3<sup>rd</sup> MC meeting in France.

#### **13 Discussion about the final Book of the Action**

As discussed at the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> MC meetings, Hely Hagman has contacted the Springer and has received a positive answer in publishing the book of the Action.

After a general discussion, the SB has agreed on the following structure to be presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> MC meeting in France:

Title of the book = Title of the action

4 Sections = Title of each WG

Editorial Board: Chair, Vice Chair, WG Leaders

Preface: Chair and Vice Chair

Section: Leader+Vice Leader provide a scheme by the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June 2011 to be sent to all the SB+Vice Leaders

Additional names from WG participants can be added taking in consideration the contribution given in collecting the information and in editing the book.

Submission of manuscripts to Editorial Board by 1<sup>st</sup> December 2013  
Submission to Springer by 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014

#### **14 Closing of the meeting**

In closing the meeting on 23 May 2011 at 17:30 hrs, Action Chair, Cristina Vettori expressed her gratitude to the members of the SB for their active participation in the meeting.





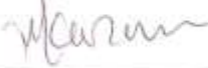
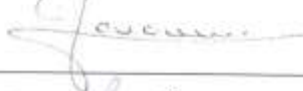


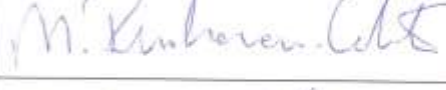

*Cristina Vettori*

ANNEXES:

1. List of Participants at the 2<sup>nd</sup> SB meeting (see page 7)
2. Agenda of the SB Meeting (see page 8)

Annex 1: List of participants at the 2<sup>nd</sup> SB meeting

MEETING ATTENDANCE LIST ( ECOST-MEETING-FP0905-230511-008178 ) - version 1.0  
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Date: 23/05/2011

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**Program of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Steering Board meeting  
May 23, 2011**

**of the**

**COST Action FP0905: "Biosafety of forest transgenic trees: improving the scientific basis for safe tree development and implementation of EU policy directives"**

**at the IGV-CNR Sesto Fiorentino (FI, Italy)**

**Agenda of SB one day meeting**

**May 22, 2011**

09.00-	Arrival of some participants
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**May 23, 2011**

08.00-	Arrival of some participants
10.00-10.10	Registration
10.10-10.15	Official opening and introduction to the meeting
10.15-17.00	Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Report of WG activity</li><li>- Organisation of the COST Workshop at the IUFRO meeting (1<sup>st</sup> July 2011)</li><li>- To discuss some points of the trans-proposal</li><li>- Information about organisation of training school in Germany</li><li>- Publication of future COST workshops in a JCR on-line journal</li><li>- Discussion about the final Book of the Action</li><li>- Planning of Joint Publications</li><li>- Next 3<sup>rd</sup> MC meeting in France (September 2011) and 4<sup>th</sup> MC meeting in Finland</li><li>- Nomination of moderators for forum of the web site</li><li>- Take connection with other COST Actions: which one at what level?</li><li>- Industries and/or other organisation involvement?</li><li>- How our Action could contribute to the development of new/revised standards/codes of practices (or similar harmonisation activities)?</li></ul>
12.00-13.00	Lunch at CNR canteen
15.00-15.30	Coffee Break
17.30	End of the meeting
21.00	Dinner at Alfredo sull'Arno Restaurant ( <a href="http://www.alfredosullarno.com/">http://www.alfredosullarno.com/</a> )

**May 24, 2011**

09.00-	Departure
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