

11th EU – VCU EXPERTS SEMINAR 2017

Jelgava, 3 – 5 July 2017

Program

Venue: Hotel Jelgava,

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Monday, July 3rd, 2017

Starting from 12:35 arrival of participants in Riga Airport. Transfer to Hotel Jelgava.

Accommodation in Hotel Jelgava.

Participants which come to Jelgava by car can park car in hotel parking place.

19:00 – 20:00	Short walk from hotel to the Jelgava castle, Mail island and panoramic view from church tower
20:00	Seminar welcome dinner in Hotel Jelgava

Tuesday, July 4th, 2017

07:00 – 8:45	Breakfast
08:45 – 9:00	Arrival to the conference room Bells hall in hotel Jelgava complex
09:00 – 09:10	Opening of the 11 th EU VCU Experts Seminar 2017 – LUA Faculty of Agriculture Dean <i>Zinta Gaile</i>
09:10 – 09:20	Technical details and introduction to the seminar - short introduction of the participants – <i>Anda Rutemberga - Ava</i>

Session 1:

- Development of institutions: report on changes within the institutions, the introductions of new activities, etc. (each country 5 min);
- The number of applications in individual countries (coordinates: France - Belgium).

Chairman – *Anda Rutenberga - Ava (LV)*

<i>09:20 – 11:00</i>	Number of applications and duration of VCU - testing in Austria - <i>Michael Oberforster AGES</i>
	Belgium
	CCAFRA-Institute for Seed and Seedlings - annual VCU report - <i>Croatia</i>
	UKZUZ, National Plant Variety Office – recent developments – <i>Czech Republic</i>
	Recent developments in Estonia VCU System – <i>Toivo Lauk Viljandi Variety Testion Centre</i>
	Report from GEVES – <i>Fabien Masson</i>
	Germany
	Hungary
	CREA-DC as seed center of CREA – <i>Italy</i>
	National Variety Listing System in the Republic of Lithuania (<i>VATZUM</i>) – <i>Sigita Juciuviene</i>
	Development of institutions in the Netherlands - <i>Lubbert Van den Brink</i>
	The most important changes in the Polish Seed Act - <i>Marcin Behnke</i>
	Registration system in Slovakia – <i>Katarina Hanzelyoa</i>
	Slovenia
	Variety testing in Switzerland today and challenges ahead - <i>Didier Pellet</i>
	Recent developments in Latvia VCU System – <i>Anda Rutenberga - Ava</i>

	The number of applications in individual countries (<i>coordinates: France - Belgium</i>)
	Session discussion

11:00 – 11:30	Coffee/ tea break
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Session 2: Information and discussions about the HORIZON 2020

Chairman –Uta Schnock (DE) and Fabien Masson (FR)

11:30 – 12:00	HORIZON 2020 Outline work program 2018 – 2020 – <i>Michael Oberforster (AGES)</i>
12:00 – 13:00	Questions- Discussion

13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
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Session 3:

- Disease tests – coordinated by Valérie Cadot (France) –Yellow rust issues;
- VCU Potato Expert group seminar – feedback from PL Potatoes expert seminar 30-31. May.2017

Chairman – Valerie Cadot (FR)

14:00 – 14:15	VCU Yellow rust : Activities in 2017 and preparation for 2018 – <i>Valerie Cadot (GEVES)</i>
14:15 – 14:30	Distribution of differential set – <i>Gerhard Deneken (Tystofte Foundation)</i>
14:30 – 14:45	H2020 Rustwatch - <i>Valerie Cadot (GEVES)</i>
14:45 – 15:00	Questions- Discussion
15:00 – 15:15	Information about the course and conclusions of the “VCU Potato Expert group seminar” hold in Research Centre for Cultivar Testing on 30-31 May, 2017 - <i>Tomasz Lenartowicz (COBORU)</i>
15:15 – 15:30	Questions- Discussion

15:30 – 16:00	<i>Coffee/ tea break, if necessary short technical break before leaving for field visit and official seminar dinner.</i>
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Session 4: Visit the LLU Training and Research Farm "Pēterlauki"

16:00 – 16:15	Transfer by bus to LUA Training and Research Farm "Pēterlauki"
16:15 – 18:15	Visit in Training and Research Farm
18:15 – 18:55	Transfer to seminar dinner place - <i>Zoltners</i>
19:00 – 23:00	Official seminar dinner with some activities and visit in brewery
23:00 – 23:30	Transfer to hotel

Wednesday, July 5th, 2017

07:00 – 8:45	Breakfast
08:45 – 9:00	Arrival to the conference room Bells hall in hotel Jelgava complex

Session 5

- Develop and collect information from participants (questionnaires) on: winter hardiness for winter grain crops and WOSR, by the Czech Republic;
- Drought stress problems announced by COBORU (Poland);
- The efficiency of utilization of nitrogen announced by COBORU (Poland);
- Population, genetic resources, conservation varieties.
- Individual problems faced by "small countries"

Chairman – Marek Povolny (UKZUZ)

09:00 – 09:15	Winter hardiness – results of questionnaire – <i>Marek Povolny</i>
09:15 – 09:30	Sugar beet – results of questionnaire – <i>Marek Povolny</i>
09:30 – 10:00	Questions- Discussion
10:00 – 10:20	Evaluation of abiotic stress tolerance (drought, winterhardiness) of cereal varieties in official VCU trials in Poland - <i>Edward Gacek (COBORU)</i>
10:20 – 10:30	Questions- Discussion

10:30 – 10:50	Varieties and efficiency of nitrogen utilization: how to assess ? Experiences on different species in the framework of French national listing – <i>Fabien Masson (GEVES)</i>
10:50 – 11:00	Questions- Discussion

11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee/ tea break</i>

Continuation of the Session 5

Chairman – Michael Oberforster (AGES)

11:00 – 11:15	Pre-harvest sprouting on cereal VCU-testing in Austria - <i>Michael Oberforster (AGES)</i>
11:15 – 11:30	Questions- Discussion

Summary session

Chairman – Uta Schnock (DE), Anda Rutenberga – Ava (LV), Joke Pannecoucq (BE)

11:30 – 12:00	Final discussions
12:00 – 12:30	Program and date of the next EU-VCU Experts Seminars: Belgium-2018, Netherlands -2019
12:30 – 13:00	Closing of the Seminar

13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
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13:45	Transfer of the participants to the Riga International Airport
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