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Community programme 870/2004: First call for proposals

On July, 26th 2005 the first call for proposals for the Community programme on the conservation, characterisation, collection and utilisation of genetic resources in agriculture established by Council Regulation (EC) No 870/2004 of 24 April 2004 was published in the official journal of the European Union C-series No 183, page 21ff. Application forms and further information you will get at: http://europa.eu.int/comm/agriculture/envir/biodiv/genres/call_en.htm

Find key data listed below:

Deadline: 30th September 2005

Call Identifier: AGRI GEN RES 2005

Objectives:

- to help ensure and improve the conservation, characterisation, collection and utilisation of genetic resources in agriculture in the Community;
- to complement and promote at Community level the work undertaken in the Member States for the conservation, characterisation, collection, and utilisation of genetic resources in agriculture
- to facilitate co-ordination in the field of international undertakings on genetic resources in agriculture.

Scope:

Community programme applies to plant, microbial and animal genetic resources which are or could be of use in agriculture and which currently occur within the territory of the Community.

Actions:

- **targeted actions** aiming at the *ex situ*, *in situ* and *on-farm* conservation, characterisation, evaluation, collection, documentation, development and utilisation of genetic resources in agriculture;
- **concerted actions** aiming at improving the co-ordination at Community level, mainly through the organisation of seminars and the preparation of reports, of individual (national, regional, local) actions for the conservation, characterisation, evaluation, collection, documentation, development and utilisation of genetic resources in agriculture that are already being carried out in the Member States;
- **accompanying actions** including information, dissemination and advisory actions.

Maximum duration of a project: 4 years

Budget:

In the budget of 2005, EUR 3,26 million are foreseen for grants. The indicative amounts are: for the targeted actions EUR 2.7 million, for concerted actions EUR 0.30 million and for accompanying actions EUR 0.26 million.