

**Minutes**  
**June 29, 2014, Germany**  
**Initial Meeting EWG Breeding Methods and Strategies held in conjunction with**  
**EUCARPIA and ITMI meetings.**

EWG Members present: Mark Sorrells (co-chair), Gilles Charmet (co-chair), Ron DePauw, Alison Bentley, John Hickey, Ian Mackay, Viktor Korzun, Erhard Ebmeyer, Cal Qualset, David Bonnett, Jaap Buntjer, Velu Govindan, Friedrich Longin, Guenter Welz

Others present: Vicky Jackson (BBSRC), DuPont representative

1. Introduction of members present
2. Sorrells led a Discussion of the Background Documents to EWG.
  - Outlined areas of research for EWG
  - Discussion on procedures to establish priorities
  - Agreed to circulate revised EWG priorities document. Members will identify lowest priority topics with their constituents.
  - Gilles Charmet will request establishment of a chat room within IWRI website.
  - Agreed that prioritization of topics for research will be based on members reporting from their constituents, and lowest priorities formulated in the chat room.
3. Election of co-chairs and secretariat: Sorrells listed names of people nominated to serve executive positions. Paper ballot Election of officers with ties for positions settled by secondary voting.

Outcome:  
Co-Chair Alison Bentley, UK  
Co-chair Gilles Charmet, France  
Secretarial Ron DePauw, Canada
4. Setting EWG priorities  
Membership reconvened at 8:30 to discuss setting of priorities.
  - Aim to do this before the Wheat Initiative “Jamboree” in late September. All members agreed to actively contribute to the setting of priorities.
  - Review membership. Additional experts will be drawn on an ad hoc basis to focus on specific topics
  - Decision on the formation of subcommittees will also be determined once priorities have been identified.
  - Potential for a “forward-looking” white paper for the Wheat Initiative and/or review paper.
  - Training priorities also need to be addressed.
5. Upcoming meetings
  - Alison to discuss with P. Sharp the possibility of the EWG PBMS having a joint session at 2015 IWC in Sydney and combining this with the next EWG meeting

- Representatives from all working groups will meet in Paris in Sept 2014 for a “Jamboree” to coordinate their activities.

### **Ex Com Meeting July 2**

Present: Gilles Charmet, Ron DePauw, Alison Bentley

- It is acceptable to organize a joint session at IWC, 2015 in Sydney and book space for the second EWG member meeting. Alison to follow-up on details with P Sharp.
- Agreed to procedures for establishing priorities.
- Revise and circulate Background document
- Gilles to discuss with Helene Lucas the expectations and reporting requirements of EWG. Need to establish terms of Reference for our EWG.
- Need for compilation of information relevant to this EWG acknowledged, as well as the need to make it available to others. Web based and other methods.
- Prepare a review article for publication

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