Nordic Plant Genetic Resources Enhancement in a changing climate

Public-Private Partnerships in Pre-Breeding

Workshop 5-6 February 2020 in Malmö, Sweden

Climate change has an increasing effect on Nordic agriculture and there is a need for enhancement of Nordic plant genetic resources to continue to produce healthy food in sufficient quantities in the future. The main aim of the workshop is to bring breeders, researchers and stakeholders together within the area of plant genetic resources and pre-breeding for Nordic agriculture and horticulture for a discussion on continued interaction and strengthening of the current excellent network of the Public-Private partnerships in Pre-breeding and involving academia, plant breeding entities, NordGen and stakeholders to inspire the development of next level project ideas.

Day 1: Nordic Plant Genetic Resources Enhancement in a changing climate

Facilitator: Håkan Schrøder, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences

Time	Activity
12.00	Lunch and networking
13.00	Welcome
	Birgitte Lund, Chairperson of the PPP Steering Committee
13.10	Nordic Plant breeding and PPP in a changing climate introduction
	Roland von Bothmer, professor emeritus, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences
	Session 1: Keynote talks
13.30	Keynote speak I: New methods and breeding techniques
	Richard Visser, professor, Wageningen University
14.00	Keynote speak II: Plant Physiology
	Matthew Reynolds, Dr., CIMMYT, Mexico
14.30	Keynote speak III: International industry perspective/Plant breeding for an International
	scale
	Marc Cornelissen, BASF
15.00	Coffee break
	Session 2: Present PPP projects
15.30	Pre-breeding for future challenges in Nordic fruit and berries
	Stein-Harald Hjeltnes, project leader
16.00	Combining knowledge from field and from laboratory for pre-breeding in barley
	Ahmed Jahoor, project leader and Therese Bengtsson, SLU
16.30	PPP for pre-breeding in perennial ryegrass (Lolium perenne L.)
	Odd Arne Rognli, project leader

17.00	Nordic Public Private Partnership Plant Phenotyping Svend Christensen, project leader Short break
	Session 3: Nordic research cooperation initiatives
17.15	Perspectives for the future work from genebanks to new plant varieties Lise Lykke Steffensen, CEO, NordGen
17.30	NordForsk initiatives and possibilities for funding Arne Fløyen, Director, NordForsk
17.45	The Nordic Forestry, Veterinary and Agricultural (NOVA) University Network Ylva Hillbur, Pro-Vice Chancellor for International Relations, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences
18.00	Closing remarks
19.00	Dinner

Day 2: Reflections on the future for the PPP cooperation

Facilitator: Lise Lykke Steffensen, CEO, NordGen

Time	Activity
	Session 4: Reflections on the future
09.00	Introduction Birgitte Lund, Chairperson of PPP Steering Committee and Lise Lykke Steffensen, CEO, NordGen
09.15	Genetic resources enhancement from a Finish perspective Merja Vetelainen, Boreal
09.30	Cereals with loud thoughts from Norway Muath Alsheikh, Graminor
09.45	Regarding forage crops with a view from Denmark Klaus K. Nielsen, DLF Trifolium (tbc)
10.00	Sweden's perspective regarding new techniques Annette Olesen, Lantmännen
10.15	Breeding for future biotic stress – a general approach Rasmus Lund Hjortshøj, Sejet Planteforædling (tbc)
	Coffee break
10.30	Group discussions on future ambitions and project ideas
11.30	Feedback from groups
12.30	Capture of ideas and process forward
12.50	Closure of the workshop
13.00	Lunch and networking