



**Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations**



**International Treaty
on Plant Genetic Resources
for Food and Agriculture**

RESOLUTION 5/2023

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GLOBAL INFORMATION SYSTEM

THE GOVERNING BODY,

Recalling its previous Resolutions and decisions on the Vision and the Programme of Work on the Global Information System (PoW-GLIS), and particularly Resolutions 5/2022;

Further recalling the contribution of the Scientific Advisory Committee on the Global Information System of Article 17 of the International Treaty (SAC-GLIS) to the Multilateral System of Access and Benefit-sharing, in particular to the provisions of Article 13.2.a;

1. **Takes note** of the integration of the Toolbox for Sustainable Use of PGRFA into the GLIS Portal and **requests** the Secretary to raise awareness of the Toolbox and its integration into GLIS;
2. **Welcomes** the development of the module to document Crop Wild Relatives and **requests** the Secretary to promote the module and expand the content of the Directory of Links;
3. **Takes note** of the progress made in the promotion of the use of Digital Object Identifiers (DOIs) and **encourages** the Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to continue to promote their use, on a voluntary basis, and to expand efforts to build the capacity of relevant stakeholders, especially in developing countries;
4. **Requests** the Secretary to promote capacity building for the improvement of national databases, the access and use of information in the GLIS Portal, and the voluntary use of DOIs, which will contribute to the implementation of the five objectives of the PoW-GLIS;
5. **Takes note** of the publication of the new crop descriptor booklets and **acknowledges** all the institutions and individuals that have contributed to their accomplishment, and **invites** the Secretary to actively promote their use as well as facilitate the development of further descriptor lists, as appropriate, and subject to the availability of financial resources;
6. **Takes note** of the collaboration with WIEWS, Genesys, Web-SDIS, the DivSeek International Network, EURISCO, and the CGIAR Genebank Initiative on PGRFA documentation and **invites** the Secretary to continue the collaboration with these entities and systems to enhance synergies and mutual support;
7. **Takes note** of the development of the CWR Descriptor Tool v.1 and **requests** the Secretary, subject to the availability of resources, to further improve it and promote its use;
8. **Reiterates** the invitation to Contracting Parties that have not done so to consider the development of national inventories on Crop Wild Relatives and **requests** the Secretary, in partnership with relevant stakeholders, to support Contracting Parties in these efforts through extra-budgetary resources such inventories should be listed in the GLIS Portal;
9. **Decides** to reconvene the Scientific Advisory Committee with the same terms of reference as the previous biennium, and subject to the availability of financial resources, to hold at least one meeting in presence and, if necessary, additional virtual meetings, and **requests** the Secretary to continue to update the Committee on progress in the implementation of the PoW-GLIS;
10. **Requests** the Scientific Advisory Committee to continue considering scientific and technical issues related to the conservation and use of PGRFA with relevance to DSI/GSD, as they relate to Article 17,

and the implications of the relevant outcomes of COP 15 of the CBD and their implementation on the PoW-GLIS in future years;

11. **Requests** the Secretary to provide a report to the SAC-GLIS and the Eleventh Session of the Governing Body on relevant updates on documentation and information exchange of PGRFA in the context of the Global Biodiversity Framework;
12. **Requests** the Secretary to advance on the exchange of relevant information and links with the Access and Benefit-sharing Clearing-House (ABSCH) in the context of the PoW-GLIS;
13. **Thanks** the Government of Germany for the financial support provided for the documentation of Crop Wild Relatives conserved *in situ*;
14. **Invites** Contracting Parties, other governments and stakeholders, bearing in mind Article 18 of the International Treaty, to provide the necessary resources to implement the PoW-GLIS, in particular for the further development of the GLIS Portal, the development of national inventories of CWR, and support of training and capacity development activities in developing countries;
15. **Thanks** the members of the Scientific Advisory Committee on the Global Information System of Article 17 for the advice provided to the Secretary and their inputs to the various work tracks on GLIS;
16. **Requests** the Secretary to follow up on implementation of the recommendations of the Scientific Advisory Committee and to provide a summary report to the Eleventh Session of the Governing Body.