Subject: notification regarding the contribution of the Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche to the Multilateral System.

The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (the Treaty) has established a Multilateral System of Access and Benefit-sharing.

Regarding the coverage of the Multilateral System, Article II specifies that the Multilateral System shall include all plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in Annex I that are under the management and control of the Contracting Parties and in the public domain, and that Contracting Parties invite other holders of the plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in Annex I to include these in the Multilateral System.

Herewith, the Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche wishes to notify you that the following plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in Annex I and maintained in Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche have been included in the Multilateral System.

1. The collections held by Istituto di Genetica Vegetale, Italy located in Via Amendola, 165/a 70126 Bari. Through the website eco.igv.cnr.it/phpmyadmin detailed data on the composition of the collection and user procedures to order samples are readily available.

2. The Triticum and Hordeum collection held by Istituto di Genetica Vegetale located in Via Amendola, 165/a 70126 Bari – Italy and consisting of 27,743 Triticum and 2,102 Hordeum. At the moment, the website eco.igv.cnr.it/phpmyadmin provides access to the collection's database, after registering the IP address of the applicant. By the end of 2011, the access will be freely available to the whole community.

Germplasm held in the collections listed above will be made available to users under the conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture.