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**INTERNATIONAL TREATY ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES
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**Informal meeting of Experts on the implementation of the sustainable use of
PGRFA and the Joint Programme on biodiversity in agriculture**

Bari, Italy, 23-25 May 2018

INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

1. Meeting Venue

The regional workshop will take place at the Istituto Agronomico Mediterraneo (CIHEAM Bari) in Via Ceglie, 9 - 70010 VALENZANO (Bari) – ITALY

2. Opening & Registration

The Informal Meeting of Experts will take place from 23 to 25 May 2018 at the CIHEAM Convention Centre. Registration will start at 9.00 hrs on 23 May at the meeting venue in Valenzano. Badges will be assigned upon registration.

Meeting point to catch the bus to Valenzano is Hotel Boston at 8:30am

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Meeting documents are available on Internet at <http://www.planttreaty.org>

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3. Accommodation

Accommodation for all participants for 3 nights has been arranged and fully paid for by the Secretariat of the International Treaty, at the Hotel Boston <http://www.bostonhotelbari.com>. The hotel is about 1 km away from the Railway station.

In case you intend to extend your stay beyond the 22-24 May agreed dates, you have to inform the Secretariat of the difference, so as to arrange for an extra night booking.

4. Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA)

For participants financially supported by the International Treaty Secretariat, the DSA payment has already been arranged directly.

5. Arrival and transportation to the Hotel

Transfer to and from the airport is being arranged by CIHEAM according to the arrival details obtained from participants.

For those travelling to Bari by train or plane and who are not availing themselves of the CIHEAM's pick-up service, please note that a taxi ride to Valenzano costs about 40€ from the airport and 25/30€ from the Railway station. From the railway station you can catch bus n°4 and get off at last stop, Istituto Agronomico Mediterraneo (CIHEAM Bari).

In case you reach Bari by car:

From the motorway take Bari Nord exit and drive to reach the ring road (Tangenziale) direction Brindisi-Lecce. On the ring road, take exit n°13B direction Taranto (S.S.100) and after about 4 Km turn right towards Valenzano, taking the exit Capurso-Valenzano.

Driving towards Valenzano, turn right at the first traffic light towards Bari. At the third roundabout turn left towards Ceglie. CIHEAM Bari is 500m on the right.



6. Entry visa for Italy

Obtaining a visa to enter Italy is the responsibility of participants. Please liaise with the Italian Embassy or Consulate nearest to your home station before your departure for Rome. In the case that your country does not host an Italian Embassy or Consulate, kindly contact the Secretariat to request a visa-supporting letter. Participant should hold a national passport having a validity of at least six months on the day of the applicant's entry in Italy.

7. Programme of Events on the side of the meeting

On 25 May, lunch is generously offered to all participants, at the *Masseria Quis Ut Deus*, contact details below

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Herewith is the tentative programme for the day:

Friday, 25 May (Visit to the Seed Bank, Organic Farm and National Park)

08.30	Bus (Departure from Boston Hotel)
08.45- 10.30	Seed Bank of the National Research Council
10.30- 11.30	Bus - trip to Castellaneta Marina (TA)
11.30-12.30	Visit to Biodinamic Organic Farm Vito Moretti in Castellaneta Marina (TA)
12.30 – 13.45	Bus - trip to Crispiano (TA)
13.45-15.00	Lunch to QUIS UT DEUS http://www.mercurymasseria.com/it/
15.30-16.30	Visit to Organic Farm La Pizzica in Crispiano (TA)
16.30-17.30	Bus (trip to Boston Hotel Bari)