

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
RESEARCH DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

Integrating and strengthening the European Research Area

Network of Excellence

EDIT

Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy

GOCE

Contract Number 018340

CONTRACT No 018340 (GOCE)

Network of Excellence

The **European Community** (the "*Community*"), represented by the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*"), itself represented for the signature of this *contract* by Jose Manuel SILVA RODRIGUEZ, Director General for Research Directorate-General or his duly authorised representative,

of the **one part**,

and CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS, established in 56 rue de Lille, PARIS, 75007, France, represented by Olivier Gremont, Head of Department, or his authorised representative the *contractor* acting as *coordinator* of the *consortium*, (the "*coordinator*") and the other *contractors* identified in Article 1.2 below,

of the **other part**

HAVE AGREED to the following terms and conditions established in this contract and its annexes (the "*contract*").

Article 1 - Scope

1. The *Community* agrees to grant a financial contribution for the implementation of a *project* called *Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy (EDIT)* within the framework of the specific research and technological development programme "Integrating and strengthening the European Research Area" (the "*specific programme*").

2. The *consortium* is composed of the *contractor* acting as *coordinator* and the following legal entities, who shall accede to the *contract* in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 2, as *contractors* assuming the rights and obligations established by the *contract* with effect from the date on which it enters into force:

- **MUSEUM NATIONAL D'HISTOIRE NATURELLE** , established in rue Cuvier 57, PARIS, 75005, France represented by Bertrand-Pierre GALEY, Directeur Général, or his authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **KOBENHAVNS UNIVERSITET**, established in Norregade 10, KOEBENHAVN K, 1017, Denmark represented by Else Sommer, University Director, or her authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **CONSEJO SUPERIOR DE INVESTIGACIONES CIENTIFICAS**, established in Calle Serrano 117, MADRID, 28006, Spain represented by Carlos MARTINEZ-A., President, and/or Montserrat TORNE, Vice-President, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **UNIVERSITEIT VAN AMSTERDAM**, established in Spui 21, AMSTERDAM, 1012WX, Netherlands represented by Karel Gaemers, Dean, and/or Wim Amersfoort, van, Director, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **NATIONAAL HERBARIUM NEDERLAND**, established in Einsteinweg 2, LEIDEN, 2300 RA, Netherlands represented by Jan A.J. de Lange, Institute Manager, and/or Cornelis C. Verhagen, Financial Administrator, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **NATIONAAL NATUURHISTORISCH MUSEUM - NATURALIS**, established in Darwinweg 2, LEIDEN, 2300 RA, Netherlands represented by Ronald VAN HENGSTUM, general director, or his authorised representative ("*contractor*")

- **CENTRAALBUREAU VOOR SCHIMMELCULTURES**, established in Uppsalalaan 8, UTRECHT, 3584 CT, Netherlands represented by D.A.J van Velzen, Head of Financial Department, or his authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **FREIE UNIVERSITAET BERLIN**, established in Kaiserswerther Strasse 16-18, BERLIN, 14195, Germany represented by Peter Lange, Chancellor, or his authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM**, established in Cromwell Road, LONDON, SW7 5BD, United Kingdom represented by Neil Greenwood, Director of Finance, and/or Robert Elliott, Financial Controller, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS KEW**, established in Kew, RICHMOND, TW9 3AB, United Kingdom represented by Peter Crane, Director, and/or Eimear NicLughadha, Head of Science Operations, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **STAATLICHES MUSEUM FUR NATURKUNDE STUTTGART**, established in Rosenstein 1, STUTTGART, 70191, Germany represented by Eder Johanna, Director, and/or Matthias Schall, Head of Administration, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **ROYAL BELGIAN INSTITUTE OF NATURAL SCIENCES**, established in Rue Vautierstraat 29, BRUXELLES, 1000, Belgium represented by Camille Pisani, Director, and/or Jackie Van Goethem, Head of Department, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **MUSEE ROYAL DE L'AFRIQUE CENTRALE**, established in Leuvensesteenweg 13, TERVUREN, 3080, Belgium represented by Guido Gryseels, Director, and/or Philippe MARECHAL, Head of Department: History and General Scientific Services, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDEN OF BELGIUM**, established in Domein Van Bouchout, MEISE, 1860, Belgium represented by Joannes RAMMELOO, Director, and/or Elmar ROBBRECHT, Head of Department, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **MUSEUM AND INSTITUTE OF ZOOLOGY - POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**, established in Wilcza 64, WARSZAWA, 00679, Poland represented by Wieslaw Bogdanowicz, Director, and/or Mieczyslaw Wolsan, Deputy Director, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **INSTYTUT BOTANIKI IM. WLADYSLAWA SZAFERA, POLSKA AKADEMIA NAUK**, established in Ul. Lubicz 46, KRAKOW, 31512, Poland represented by Zbigniew Mirek, or his authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **MAGYAR TERMESZETTUDOMANYI MUZEUM**, established in Baross u. 13, BUDAPEST, 1088, Hungary represented by Istvan Matskasi, director-general, and/or Ferenc Meszaros, deputy director-general, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **UNIVERZITA KOMENSKEHO V BRATISLAVE**, established in Safarikovo nam 6, BRATISLAVA, 818 06, Slovakia represented by František Gahér, Rector, and/or Anton Gáplovský, Dean, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **BOTANICKY USTAV - SLOVENSKEJ AKADEMIE VIED**, established in Dubravska cesta 14, BRATISLAVA, 84523, Slovakia represented by Ivan Jarolímek, Director of the Institute, and/or Igor Mistrík, Deputy Director of the Institute, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **INSTITUT NATIONAL DE LA RECHERCHE AGRONOMIQUE (INRA)**, established in Rue de l'Université 147, PARIS, 75338, France represented by Marion Guillou, President and CEO, and/or Nicolas VANNIEUWENHUYZE, Financial Director, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **SOCIETY FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EUROPEAN BIODIVERSITY DATA LTD**, established in EcoServe, Unit B19, KCR. Industriel Estate, Kimmage, DUBLIN, 12, Ireland represented by Chris Emblow, Secretary, and/or Mark Costello, Chairperson, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")

- **SPECIES 2000**, established in School of Biological Sciences - The University of Reading, READING, RG6 6AS, United Kingdom represented by Frank BISBY, Executive Director, and/or Peter Schalk, Board Chairman, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **KOMAROV BOTANICAL INSTITUTE OF THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**, established in Professor Popov Street 2, SINT PETERSBURG, 197376, Russian Federation represented by Vasily Yarmishko, Director of the Institute, and/or Alexander Kovalenko, Deputy Director for Science, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **ZOOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**, established in Universitetskaya Nab., 1, SINT PETERSBURG, 199034, Russian Federation represented by Alexander Alimov, Director, and/or Oleg Pugachev, Deputy director, or her/his/their authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN**, established in 2345 Tower Grove Avenue, SAINT LOUIS, 63166-0299, United States represented by Porter P. Lowry II, or his authorised representative ("*contractor*")
- **SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, NATIONAL MUSEUMS AND ART GALLERIES**, established in 10th and Constitution Avenue NW MRC 106, WASHINGTON DC, 20013-7012, United States represented by Cristian Samper, Director, or his authorised representative ("*contractor*")

(hereinafter referred to as the "*contractors*").

3. The *consortium* shall carry out the work set out in Annex I to this *contract* (the "*project*") in accordance with the conditions set out in this *contract*.
4. The *contractors* are deemed to have concluded a *consortium agreement* regarding the internal operation and management of the *consortium*. The *consortium agreement* shall include all aspects necessary for the management of the *consortium* and the implementation of the *project* as well as any necessary intellectual property provisions.

Article 2 - Constitution of the *consortium*

1. The *coordinator* shall ensure that the legal entities identified in Article 1.2 complete the formalities for them to accede to the *contract*. At the latest 45 calendar days after the entry into force of the *contract*, the *coordinator* shall send to the *Commission* one of the three duly completed and signed originals of Form A (set out in Annex IV), which shall be obtained from each of the *contractors* identified in Article 1.2. The two remaining signed originals shall be kept by the *coordinator* and the *contractor* concerned and be made available for consultation at the request of any other *contractor*.
2. Should any legal entity identified in Article 1.2 fail or refuse to accede to the *contract* within the deadline established in the previous paragraph, the *Commission* is no longer bound by its offer to contract with the said legal entity(ies). The *Commission* may terminate the *contract* in accordance with Article II.15.5, where any legal entity identified in Article 1.2 does not accede to the *contract* in accordance with the provisions established by the *Commission*.
3. However, the *consortium* may propose appropriate solutions to the *Commission* to ensure the implementation of the *project* including, where necessary, the accession to the *contract* of legal entities other than those identified in Article 1.2 in accordance with the provisions in Article 3.
4. In the case of termination, no costs incurred by the *consortium* under the *project* up to the date of *contract* termination can be approved or accepted as eligible for reimbursement by the *Community* financial contribution. Any *pre-financing* provided to the *consortium* and any interest generated by the *pre-financing* must be returned in full to the *Commission* within 30 days of notification of termination.

Article 3 - Evolution of the *consortium*

The *consortium* may be enlarged to include other legal entities, which shall accede to the *contract* by means of Form B (set out in Annex V). The *Commission* is deemed to have accepted this legal entity

as a *contractor* in the *consortium*, if it does not object within six weeks of receipt of Form B. Any new *contractor* shall comply with the participation rules established by the *Rules for Participation*. This is subject to any condition required by the *Financial Regulation* or other formalities that may be required by any other provision of this *contract*.

They shall assume the rights and obligations of *contractors* as established by the *contract* with effect from the date of their accession to the *contract*. *Contractors* leaving the *consortium* shall be bound by the provisions of the *contract* regarding the terms and conditions applicable to the termination of their participation.

Article 4 - Entry into force of the *contract* and duration of *project*

1. This *contract* shall enter into force on the day of its signature by the *coordinator* and the *Commission*.

2. The duration of the *project* shall be 60 months from 1st March 2006 (hereinafter referred to as the "*start date*").

This *contract* shall be completed once the rights and obligations of all the parties to the *contract* have been met. The implementation and payment phases relating to the *project* must be completed by the *final implementation date* of the *contract*.

The provisions set out in Articles II.7, II.9, II.10, II.11, II.29, II.30, II.31 and Part C of Annex II shall continue to apply after the *final implementation date* as well as any provisions in Annex III which specifically state that they shall continue to apply after the *final implementation date*.

Article 5 - *Community* financial contribution

The *Community* financial contribution shall be in the form of a grant for integration.

The maximum *Community* contribution to the *project* shall be 11,900,000.00 EUR (eleven million nine hundred thousand Euro and zero Cents). The *Community* financial contribution shall be limited to the maximum rates of contribution to the activities identified in Part B of Annex II, as modified by any provision of Annex III. Annex I indicates the estimated breakdown of costs and activities to be carried out under the *project*.

Article 6 - Reporting periods

The *project* is divided into reporting periods of the following duration:

- P1: from month 1 to month 12
- P2: from month 13 to month 24
- P3: from month 25 to month 36
- P4: from month 37 to month 48
- P5: from month 49 to the last month of the *project*.

Article 7 - Reports

1. Reports referred to in Article II.7.2 shall be submitted for each reporting period identified in Article 6 within 45 days of the end of the period in question. Reports shall be submitted in English.

2. Reports referred to in Article II.7.3 covering each period shall be submitted at the latest 45 days

after the end of each reporting period.

3. In addition to the reports for the last period, final activity and financial reports referred to in Article II. 7.4 (except for the report referred to in Article II.7.4.d)) shall be submitted to the *Commission* at the latest 45 days after the end of the *project*. This delay may be increased by 45 days at the request of the *consortium*. Where the work is completed before the end of the duration of the *project*, the related activity and financial reports shall cover the period up to that date.

Article 8 - Payment modalities

1. The *Community* financial contribution to the *project* shall be paid to the *coordinator* on behalf of the *contractors* in accordance with the following provisions:

- a) the *consortium* shall determine the allocation of each tranche of the *Community* financial contribution between the *contractors*, in accordance with this *contract* and any relevant provisions in their *consortium agreement*.
- b) the payment of the *Community* financial contribution to the *coordinator* discharges the *Commission* from its obligation to make this payment to the *contractors*.
- c) the *coordinator* shall distribute the *Community* financial contribution without unjustified delay.

2. The *Community* financial contribution shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of Article II.28 and the following:

(a) *pre-financing* of 2,800,000.00 EUR (two million eight hundred thousand Euro and zero Cents) of the estimated *Community* financial contribution corresponding to the first reporting period and the first six months of the subsequent reporting period indicated in the table of estimated breakdown of costs for this period in Annex I, within 45 days following the date the *Commission* is informed of accession to the *contract* of all the *contractors* identified in Article 1.2;

(b) within 45 days following approval by the *Commission* of the reports related to each reporting period:

i) a payment which settles the amounts justified and accepted during the reporting period.

ii) *pre-financing* of 80.00% of the estimated *Community* financial contribution corresponding to the subsequent period and the first six months of the period following, indicated in the table of estimated breakdown of costs for this period in Annex I.

Where the amount justified and accepted for the reporting period is less than the *pre-financing* already paid to the *consortium*, that part of the *pre-financing* is re-qualified as a payment and the *Commission* shall deduct the difference from the subsequent *pre-financing*.

Where the amount justified and accepted for the reporting period is more than the *pre-financing* already paid to the *consortium*, the *pre-financing* is re-qualified as a payment and the *Commission* shall add the difference as a complementary payment at the time of the payment of the subsequent *pre-financing*.

If an audit certificate has not been submitted:

i) an intermediate *pre-financing* of 80.00% of the estimated *Community* financial contribution corresponding to the subsequent period and the first six months of the period following, indicated in the table of estimated breakdown of costs for this period in Annex I.

Where the amount justified and accepted for the reporting period is less than the *pre-financing* already paid to the *consortium*, the *Commission* shall deduct the difference from the subsequent *pre-financing*.

Where the amount justified and accepted for the reporting period is more than the *pre-financing* already paid to the *consortium*, the *Commission* shall add the difference to the subsequent *pre-financing*, within the limits established by the *Financial Regulation*.

(c) within 45 days following approval by the *Commission* of the reports relating to the last period and

the final reports referred to in Article II.7, the *Commission* shall pay a final payment for that period.

(d) Any payment at the end of a reporting period accompanied by an audit certificate shall be considered as final, subject to the results of any audit or review, which may be carried out pursuant to the provisions of Article II. 29.

Total *pre-financing* may not exceed 80% of the *Community* financial contribution or, where final payments referred to in paragraph d have been effected, of the difference between the *Community* financial contribution and those final payments.

(e) Where no comments, changes or substantial corrections to any of the *project* activity reports or financial statements are required or where the *Commission* approves the reports more than 45 days after reception, the *Commission* shall make the appropriate payment within 90 days of receipt of the *project* activity reports and associated financial statements.

Where substantial comments, changes, further information or adjustments are requested by the *Commission* within this period, the delay is suspended upon notification by the *Commission*. The remainder of the 90 day payment period begins again only after submission by the *contractors* of the required information.

Article 9 - Special clauses

The following special conditions apply to this *contract*:

Special clause 14.

1. Costs incurred by the following *contractors* shall not be taken into consideration for determining the *Community* financial contribution:

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2. Contractors mentioned in the previous paragraph are not subject to financial audits and audits on accounting and management principles referred to in Article II.29.1.

3. Article II.18, Section 1 of Part B of Annex II and any provision of Section 2 deriving from Section 1 do not apply to those contractors.

Special clause 39.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 7.2 of this contract, contractors requesting a *Community* financial contribution for one or more reporting periods of less than 150,000 EUR, need not submit an audit certificate, until the cumulative request for *Community* financial contribution is equal to or exceeds 150,000 EUR for the reporting periods for which an audit certificate has not yet been submitted. In all cases an audit certificate shall be submitted at the latest 45 days after the final reporting period. This final audit certificate shall cover all period/s for which an audit certificate has not been previously submitted.

The provisions of this special clause shall apply also to the members identified in Article 9 of this contract.

Article 10 - Amendments

Any request for amendment to the *contract* shall be submitted in accordance with Article 11. Proposals for amendments submitted by the *coordinator* are requested on behalf of the *consortium*. The *coordinator* shall ensure that adequate proof of the *consortium's* agreement to such a request exists and is made available in the event of an audit.

The *Commission* shall undertake to approve or reject any request for an amendment within 45 days of its receipt. The absence of a response from the *Commission* within 45 days of receipt of such a request, or any other period provided for in the *contract*, does not constitute approval of the request,

except for any modification or evolution of the *consortium* as foreseen in Article 3.

All amendments to the *contract* shall be in writing.

Article 11 - Communication

1. Requests for amendments and any communication foreseen by the *contract* shall identify the nature and details of the request or communication and be submitted in writing by means of registered mail with acknowledgement of receipt to the following addresses:

For the *Commission*: Commission of the European Communities
Research Directorate-General
Management of Natural Resources and Services-Biodiversity and
Ecosystems BRU-CDMA 03/159
B-1049 Brussels, Belgium

For the *coordinator*: CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS

DBRM
15 Quai Anatole France,
Paris, 75007, France

2. Where the *contract* foresees that information or documents are to be transferred by electronic means, the following functional mailboxes shall be used:

For the *Commission*: pierre.mathy@cec.eu.int

For the *coordinator*: olivier-nicolas.gremont@caissedesdepots.fr

3. The bank account of the *coordinator* to which all payments of the *Community* financial contribution shall be made is:

Name of Account holder: Caisse des dépôts
Name of the bank: Caisse des dépôts et consignations
IBAN: FR1440031000010000315446A70

4. Each party to the *contract* shall inform the other parties without delay of any changes in the names or addresses identified in paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

Article 12 - Applicable law

The law of Belgium shall govern this *contract*.

Article 13 - Jurisdiction

The Court of First Instance or the Court of Justice of the European Communities, as is appropriate in the specific case, shall have sole jurisdiction to hear any disputes between the *Community* and the *contractors* as regards the validity, the application or any interpretation of this *contract*.

Article 14 - Annexes forming an integral part of this contract:

1. The following annexes form an integral part of this *contract*:
 - Annex I - Description of work
 - Annex II - General Conditions
 - Annex III - Specific provisions related to Network of Excellence

Annex IV - Form A - consent of *contractors* to accede to the *contract*

Annex V - Form B - accession of new legal entities to the *contract*

Annex VI - Form C - financial statement per instrument

2. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Annexes to this *contract* and any provision of this part of the *contract*, the latter shall take precedence. The provisions of Annex III shall take precedence over the provisions of Annex II, and both shall take precedence over the provisions of Annex I.

3. The special conditions set out in Article 9 shall take precedence over any other provisions of this *contract*.

Done at Brussels , in English

For the *coordinator*

For the Commission

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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

MUSEUM NATIONAL D'HISTOIRE NATURELLE established in France, rue Cuvier 57, 75005, PARIS represented by Bertrand-Pierre GALEY, Directeur Général, or his authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project "Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy"*) signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

Done in 3 copies, of which one shall be kept by the *coordinator* and one by **MUSEUM NATIONAL D'HISTOIRE NATURELLE**, the third being sent to the *Commission* by the *coordinator* in accordance with Article 2.1 and Article 11 of the *contract*.

For the contractor
**MUSEUM NATIONAL
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For the contractor

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NATIONAAL NATUURHISTORISCH MUSEUM - NATURALIS established in Netherlands, Darwinweg 2, 2300 RA, LEIDEN represented by Ronald VAN HENGSTUM, general director, or his authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project "Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy"*) signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor
**NATIONAAL
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For the coordinator
**CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET
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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

CENTRAALBUREAU VOOR SCHIMMELCULTURES established in Netherlands, Uppsalalaan 8, 3584 CT, UTRECHT represented by D.A.J van Velzen, Head of Financial Department, or his authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project "Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy"*) signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor

**CENTRAALBUREAU VOOR
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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

FREIE UNIVERSITAET BERLIN established in Germany, Kaiserswerther Strasse 16-18, 14195, BERLIN represented by Peter Lange, Chancellor, or his authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project "Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy"*) signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor
FREIE UNIVERSITAET BERLIN

For the coordinator
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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM established in United Kingdom, Cromwell Road, SW7 5BD, LONDON represented by Neil Greenwood, Director of Finance, and/or Robert Elliott, Financial Controller, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor

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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS KEW established in United Kingdom, Kew, TW9 3AB, RICHMOND represented by Peter Crane, Director, and/or Eimear NicLughadha, Head of Science Operations, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project "Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy"*) signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor

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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

STAATLICHES MUSEUM FUR NATURKUNDE STUTTGART established in Germany, Rosenstein 1, 70191, STUTTGART represented by Eder Johanna, Director, and/or Matthias Schall, Head of Administration, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project "Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy"*) signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor

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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

ROYAL BELGIAN INSTITUTE OF NATURAL SCIENCES established in Belgium, Rue Vautierstraat 29, 1000, BRUXELLES represented by Camille Pisani, Director, and/or Jackie Van Goethem, Head of Department, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor
ROYAL BELGIAN INSTITUTE OF NATURAL SCIENCES

For the coordinator
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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

MUSEE ROYAL DE L'AFRIQUE CENTRALE established in Belgium, Leuvensesteenweg 13, 3080, TERVUREN represented by Guido Gryseels, Director, and/or Philippe MARECHAL, Head of Department: History and General Scientific Services, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor
MUSEE ROYAL DE L'AFRIQUE CENTRALE

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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDEN OF BELGIUM established in Belgium, Domein Van Bouchout, 1860, MEISE represented by Joannes RAMMELOO, Director, and/or Elmar ROBBRECHT, Head of Department, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor
**NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDEN
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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

MUSEUM AND INSTITUTE OF ZOOLOGY - POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES established in Poland, Wilcza 64, 00679, WARSZAWA represented by Wieslaw Bogdanowicz, Director, and/or Mieczyslaw Wolsan, Deputy Director, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor

MUSEUM AND INSTITUTE OF ZOOLOGY - POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

For the coordinator

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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

INSTYTUT BOTANIKI IM. WLADYSLAWA SZAFERA, POLSKA AKADEMIA NAUK established in Poland, Ul. Lubicz 46, 31512, KRAKOW represented by Zbigniew Mirek, or his authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project "Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy"*) signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor

**INSTYTUT BOTANIKI IM.
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For the coordinator

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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

MAGYAR TERMESZETTUDOMANYI MUZEUM established in Hungary, Baross u. 13, 1088, BUDAPEST represented by Istvan Matskasi, director-general, and/or Ferenc Meszaros, deputy director-general, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project "Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy"*) signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor

**MAGYAR
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For the coordinator

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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

UNIVERZITA KOMENSKEHO V BRATISLAVE established in Slovakia, Safarikovo nam 6 , 818 06, BRATISLAVA represented by František Gahér, Rector, and/or Anton Gáplovský, Dean, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project "Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy"*) signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor
**UNIVERZITA KOMENSKEHO V
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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

BOTANICKY USTAV - SLOVENSKEJ AKADEMIE VIED established in Slovakia, Dubravska cesta 14, 84523, BRATISLAVA represented by Ivan Jarolímek, Director of the Institute, and/or Igor Mistrík, Deputy Director of the Institute, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor
**BOTANICKY USTAV -
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For the coordinator
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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

INSTITUT NATIONAL DE LA RECHERCHE AGRONOMIQUE (INRA) established in France, Rue de l'Université 147, 75338, PARIS represented by Marion Guillou, President and CEO, and/or Nicolas VANNIEUWENHUYZE, Financial Director, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor

INSTITUT NATIONAL DE LA RECHERCHE AGRONOMIQUE (INRA)

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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

SOCIETY FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EUROPEAN BIODIVERSITY DATA LTD established in Ireland, EcoServe, Unit B19, KCR. Industriel Estate, Kimmage, 12, DUBLIN represented by Chris Emblow, Secretary, and/or Mark Costello, Chairperson, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor
**SOCIETY FOR THE
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FORM A - ACCESSION TO THE CONTRACT

SPECIES 2000 established in United Kingdom, School of Biological Sciences - The University of Reading, RG6 6AS, READING represented by Frank BISBY, Executive Director, and/or Peter Schalk, Board Chairman, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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KOMAROV BOTANICAL INSTITUTE OF THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES established in Russian Federation, Professor Popov Street 2, 197376, SINT PETERSBURG represented by Vasily Yarmishko, Director of the Institute, and/or Alexander Kovalenko, Deputy Director for Science, or her/his/their authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

Done in 3 copies, of which one shall be kept by the *coordinator* and one by **KOMAROV BOTANICAL INSTITUTE OF THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**, the third being sent to the *Commission* by the *coordinator* in accordance with Article 2.1 and Article 11 of the *contract*.

For the contractor

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For the contractor
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MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN established in United States , 2345 Tower Grove Avenue, 63166-0299, SAINT LOUIS represented by Porter P. Lowry II, or his authorised representative, hereby consents to become a *contractor* to *contract* number **018340** (relating to *project* "**Toward the European Distributed Institute of Taxonomy**") signed between the **Commission of the European Communities** (the "*Commission*") and **CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS** established in France, 56 rue de Lille, 75007, PARIS (the "*coordinator*"), and accepts in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned *contract* all the rights and obligations of a *contractor*.

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For the contractor
**SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION,
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