

5. Heritaste Discussion



*Combined Meeting of the Project Commission and
Council of Cooperation Partners at Urnäsch, Switzerland
Friday, September 14th, 2012, 08:30 – 10.30*

Structure:

Responsible for the objectives of Heritaste:

The Heritaste Guiding Committee (1-2 SAVE staff members together with SAVE Network members)

SAVE Board of Directors

Objectives: “... are to promote the in situ/on farm conservation of autochthonous agrobiodiversity in Europe and to add value to the products and services that can be made or provided from European agrobiodiversity.”

National organisations are asked to provide lists of the breeds/varieties that can use the Heritaste label. In this way, the national priorities can be taken into account.

National lists need to be drawn up – by whom? Deadline?

Discussion on the separation of SAVE and Heritaste. Should there be a separation?

- A small, “symbolic” body to keep the legal barriers between SAVE and Heritaste clear in case of potential problems.
- A member organisation with individual membership for people who support the idea of Heritaste or want to use the label. The member fees pay for the administration of Heritaste and therefore the financial burden is taken away from SAVE.
- A legal structure that could, in time, be profit-making (excess going to support SAVE)

Extension of the discussion “what can be certified?” How can we be sure that what gets the Heritaste label really is Heritaste?

Thank you!