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ACADEMY OF SCIENCES  
OF BELARUS  
PRESIDIUM**

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**Approval of the Provision  
for the National Coordination  
Centre on Access to Genetic  
Resources and Benefit-Sharing**

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of Article 11 of the Law of the Republic of Belarus of March 5, 2024, No. 356-3 “On Genetic Resources Management”, the Presidium of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus DECIDES:

1. Approve the Provision for the National Coordination Centre on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-Sharing (enclosed).

2. Declare the Decree of the Presidium of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus “On the Approval of the Provision for the National Coordination Centre on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-Sharing and the Provision for the Checkpoint for Monitoring the Utilization of Genetic Resources” of October 27, 2014, No. 70 to be no longer in force.

3. Assign the coordination of the implementation of this Provision to the Department of Biological Sciences of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus and the State Scientific Institution “Institute of Genetics and Cytology of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus”

4. This Provision shall come into force on March 9, 2025.

Chairperson of the Presidium

V.G. Gusakov

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Chief Scientific Secretary

V.L. Gursky

APPROVED by  
the Decree of the Presidium  
of the National Academy  
of Sciences of Belarus  
of October 14, 2024, No. 36

## PROVISION

for the National Coordination Centre on Access  
to Genetic Resources and Benefit-Sharing

1. The National Coordination Centre on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-Sharing (hereinafter referred to as “the National Coordination Centre”) is the structural subdivision of the State Scientific Institution “Institute of Genetics and Cytology of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus” (hereinafter referred to as “the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus”).

2. In its activity, the National Coordination Centre shall be governed by the Law “*On Genetic Resources Management*”, other legislative acts and this Provision.

3. The main target of the National Coordination Centre is the coordination of activity in the field of genetic resources management.

4. The National Coordination Centre shall:

4.1. Exercise powers in the field of genetic resources management pursuant to Article 12 of the Law of the Republic of Belarus “*On Genetic Resources Management*”;

4.2. Exercise functions of the Checkpoint for monitoring genetic resources management;

4.3. Ensure scientific support for the *Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from Their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity* of October 29, 2010 (hereinafter referred to as “the Nagoya Protocol”);

4.4. Ensure the technical support and functionality of the website of the *National Coordination Centre on Access to Genetic Resources and Benefit-Sharing. The Checkpoint for monitoring the utilization of the genetic resources of the Republic of Belarus* to raise awareness of the stakeholders and the public of the legal regulation of genetic resources management in the Republic of Belarus;

4.5. Ensure the development and functionality of the digital platform for access to genetic resources and their use monitoring in accordance with the Law of the Republic of Belarus “*On Genetic Resources Management*”;

4.6. Take part in the implementation of the Economic and Social Development Plan of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus;

4.7. Take part in the Scientific and Practical Republican and International Conferences on the thematic directions of the development of modern biological science, biotechnology, conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity, including in agriculture, and other environmental issues;

4.8. Take part in the implementation of scientific research plans; the collection of specimens of wild plants, animals, soil microorganisms, agricultural plants and animals and traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources for the inventorying of genetic resources and associated traditional knowledge and their conservation, transfer and utilization in accordance with legislation in the field of genetic resources management, as well as the replenishment of the Republican DNA Bank of a Human, Animals, Plants and Microorganisms;

4.9. Take part in the development and publication of information and practical reference and other printed electronic materials in the field of genetic resources management.

5. In charge of the National Coordination Centre is the Head who shall be appointed to the office and dismissed from the office held on the basis of the order of the Director of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus.

6. The Head of the National Coordination Centre shall:

6.1. Submit the structure, the number of staff positions, budget estimates and the Plan of Activity of the National Coordination Centre to the Director of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus, for approval;

6.2. Ensure the implementation of the Plans of Activity of the National Coordination Centre;

6.3. Submit proposals to the Administration of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus, for the encouragements of the employees of the National Coordination Centre or the imposition of a disciplinary sanction on them;

6.4. Ensure compliance by the employees of the National Coordination Centre with the requirements for the protection of information constituting state secrets, commercial and other secrets protected by law, restricted internal use information, workplace safety rules, safety requirements, fire safety regulations, requirements for quality management system documents, internal labor regulations, and local legal acts relating to the activities of the National Coordination Centre;

6.5. Exercise other powers related to the management of the National Coordination Centre.

7. The Head of the National Coordination Centre shall hold personal responsibility for the implementation of this Provision.

8. The structure, the number of staff positions, budget estimates and the Plan of Activity of the National Coordination Centre shall be approved by the Director of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus.

9. The employees of the National Coordination Centre shall be appointed to their position and removed from the position held on the basis of the order of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus.

10. The employees of the National Coordination Centre shall hold responsibility for:

10.1. Timely and high-quality performance of official duties and instructions assigned to them by the Head of the National Coordination Centre;

10.2. Compliance with the internal labor regulations of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus; workplace safety regulations, safety requirements and fire safety regulations.

11. In its activity, the National Coordination Centre shall liaise on the issues as follows:

11.1. Legal regulation of relations in the field of genetic resources management — with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection (hereinafter referred to as “the Ministry of Nature”); the Department of Biological Sciences and the Department of Agrarian Sciences of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus (hereinafter referred to as “NAS of Belarus”); and the Apparatus of NAS of Belarus;

11.2. Coordination and awareness-raising activity in the field of access to genetic resources and mutually agreed terms — with the Deputy Director for Science and Innovation and Heads of the structural subdivisions of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus;

11.3. Implementation of Scientific Research Activity and Social and Economic Development Plans of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus, — with the Deputy Director for Science, the Deputy Director for Science and Innovation and the Scientific Secretary of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus;

11.4. Analysis and reporting — with the Deputy Director for Science, the Deputy Director for Science and Innovation, the Scientific Secretary and the Chief Accountant;

11.5. International scientific and technical cooperation; development and implementation of innovation and scientific and technical assistance projects — with the Deputy Director for Science and Innovation of the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus; the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection; the Main Directorate for International Scientific and Technical Cooperation of NAS of Belarus; and organizations subordinate to NAS of Belarus.

12. The National Coordination Centre is entitled to have its own

symbols (logo).

13. The activity of the National Coordination Centre on the implementation of targets assigned to it shall be financed in accordance with Article 6 of the Law “*On Genetic Resources Management*” of the Republic of Belarus out of:

The funds allocated to the Institute of Genetics and Cytology, NAS of Belarus, for the implementation of targets assigned to the Centre within the limits of funds from the republican budget provided for the financing of scientific and scientific and technical activity, allocated for ensuring the statutory activities of the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus;

The funds coming from the delivery of services in the field of genetic resources management;

The funds coming from the distribution of monetary benefits in accordance with Law;

Other sources not prohibited by Law and other legislative acts.