



CLARIFICATION N°2

Call reference: GP/EFSA/PLANTS/2023/06

Call title: Experimental and observational evidence to reduce knowledge gaps for risk assessment of new and emerging plant pests

Question 1: Our question is if we need to apply for a permit to the local Plant Health Authorities to rear *D. robinsoni*, or if we should ask it once the proposal is awarded.

Answer:

The necessary permits from the Plant health authorities to conduct work on the insect *Draeculacephala robinsoni* and on the bacterium *Xylella fastidiosa*, when applicable, do not need to be attached to the submitted proposals, but they must be obtained before starting the activities, if the grant is awarded. The proposal needs to present the procedures and timelines needed to request and obtain such permits, including the description of the facilities available to the proponent to conduct such studies.

Question 2: Declaration of honor sections A and B are only available as a merged document in pdf format. Is there another format available to facilitate filling in the necessary data?

Answer: According to point 3.1 of the Call for Proposal, the Applicants must submit in full paper version all documents listed on the Checklist along with a scanned version of the documents in USB, including the Declaration of honor on exclusion (part A) and selection criteria (part B). Hence, we recommend printing only part A as many copies as deemed necessary per applicant and eventual consortium partners, and print just one copy of part B to be filled in by the coordinator only as stated in 2.3 Exclusion Criteria and 2.4 Selection Criteria, A) Financial Capacity from the Call for Proposal.

Question 3: Do we need to submit the legal entity form for a subcontractor together with a copy of its establishing document?

Answer: Legal Entity Form is only requested for Applicants and partners in case of consortium.