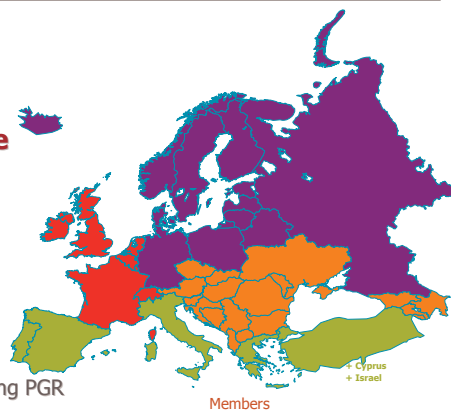


The objective of EURISCO was to build a central European catalogue of *ex situ* collections...

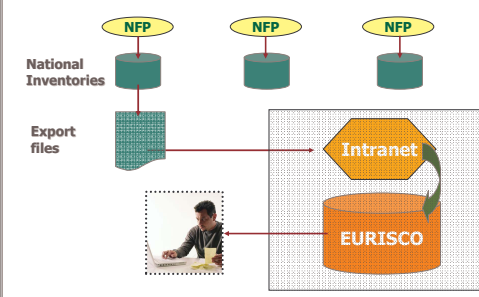
- ✓ Support the creation and providing technical support to National PGR Inventories
- ✓ Develop an European PGR Search Catalogue with passport data on *ex situ* collections maintained in Europe by:
 - having the possibility to frequently update the catalogue from the National PGR Inventories
 - encouraging easy accessibility via the Internet
 - providing access to all *ex situ* PGR information in Europe thus facilitate locating and accessing PGR



Strategy

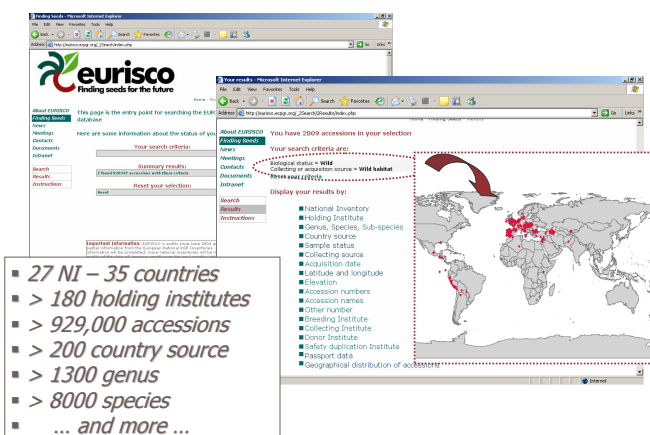
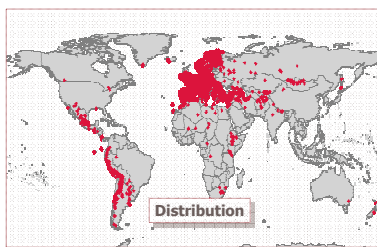
- ✓ EURISCO is a Global Public Good
- ✓ EURISCO meets the CBD and FAO obligations
- ✓ Builds on a regional network with clear distribution of responsibilities between partners (e.g. National Inventories)
- ✓ Use of common scientific standards
- ✓ A simple and robust data flow infrastructure
- ✓ Accessible on the Internet and CD-ROM
- ✓ Free access to data, methods and tools

A simple and robust data flow infrastructure



Today, EURISCO

- ✓ is the "one stop shop" to European *ex situ* collections
- ✓ is an accession-level information system not a meta-data database...
- ✓ provides access to passport information but is aimed at going beyond (characterization, evaluation...)
- ✓ has a sustainable network of data providers represented by national focal points and inventories
- ✓ contribute to a coherent European information system on Genetic Resources



Next steps

- ✓ Improve data quality and availability
- ✓ Refine taxonomical nomenclature/references
- ✓ Enrich functionalities (e.g. GIS, Statistical)
- ✓ Extend customized data retrieval (e.g. Excel, XML...)
- ✓ Link to other information resources through web services
- ✓ Join GBIF and the Global Genetic Resources communities
- ✓ Raise awareness about the importance of Genetic Resources and associated information

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