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# MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure  
on the establishment of a European Central Genebank

**Ivan Jakovčić**

**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the establishment of a European Central Genebank**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the 2050 vision and the 2020 headline target adopted by the EU heads of state and government in March 2010,
- having regard to the Environment Council conclusions of 21 June and 19 December 2011 on the ‘EU 2020 Biodiversity Strategy’,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas Europe is home to an extraordinary range of habitats and species that make up Europe’s rich biodiversity heritage;
- B. whereas the degree to which biodiversity protection is integrated into other EU policies is inadequate;
- C. whereas biodiversity loss refers not only to species and habitats but also to genetic diversity;
- D. whereas further action is needed to enhance the conservation of genetic diversity within agriculture and to promote sustainable use of traditional varieties and breeds so as to make conservation economically viable;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to increase its capacity for effective implementation of its ‘preparatory action on EU plant and animal genetic resources in agriculture’ in order to ensure harmonisation, rationalisation and improved management of existing gene banks;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to establish, in coordination with Member States and regional and local authorities, a European Central Genebank.