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Subject: 23rd Regular Session of the ICGEB Board of Governors
Trieste, Italy, 16-17 May 2017

Dear Sir,

I write in reference to the forthcoming Twenty-third session of the ICGEB Board of Governors of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), which will convene in Trieste, Italy on 16 and 17 May 2017. A delegation from your Government, as a Signatory Country of the ICGEB, would be most welcome to attend with the status of Observer.

The meeting will commence, with registration, at 9 am on Tuesday, 16 May and will be conducted in English. The provisional Agenda for the session is attached.

Please send all communication, and any queries you may have, to the Board Secretariat at: Email: bog@icgeb.org; tel: +39-040-3757315; fax: +39-040-3757380.

Selected hotels in Trieste are shown in the map attached. Should your delegation require assistance in booking accommodation, we would kindly ask you to complete and return the enclosed Accommodation Form, by 10 April 2017.

Arranged shuttle transportation between the hotels and the meeting venue and hospitality, comprising lunches and a Gala dinner to take place on the evening of the 16 May 2017, will be provided. Kindly note that travel by your delegation to Trieste, Italy, and settlement of hotel bills, is to be borne by the participants.

I take this opportunity to bring to your kind attention that your country has been a Signatory of the ICGEB for the last several years. To complete the procedure to become a full Member State, thus enabling full access to the Funding Programmes and activities of the organisation by scientists of your country, your Government would simply need to deposit the instrument of accession to the Statutes with the Secretary-General of the United Nations in New York (in his capacity as Depository of the ICGEB Statutes). I take the liberty to attach a sample letter and additional documentation on the ICGEB, for your easy reference.

I wish to thank you for your kind attention and would welcome participation by a delegation from your country at the forthcoming Board of Governors session in Trieste, particularly with a view to finalising membership.

Yours sincerely

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Annexes: Provisional Agenda for the 23rd session of the ICGEB Board of Governors
Hotel Accommodation form and map
Draft Instrument of Accession
ICGEB Statutes
ICGEB Flyer
ICGEB Funding Programmes 2017

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