

EUROCORES Programme

European Collaborative Research

Ecology of Plant Volatiles, from Molecules to the Globe (EuroVOL)

Consensus statement

Final evaluation

The Scientific Review Group for Life, Earth and Environmental Sciences (SRG-LEE) Chair and Members have carefully analysed the Final Report of the EuroVOL Programme.

It has been recognised that the quite small size of this EUROCORES Programme, consisting of three Collaborative Research Projects (CRPs), has not impacted at all the quality of their deliverables. The three CRPs INVAVOL, MOMEVIP and A-BIO-VOC have made clear progress towards their respective goals and have collaborated with each other at various scales. Within each CRP the exchange between the multinational and interdisciplinary team members was strong and productive.

The SRG-LEE's Chair and Members recognise and deeply appreciate the very active role of all the CRPs in organising joint conferences, summer schools and workshops: the joint PhD student summer schools have been excellent chances for networking and training of early career scientists. Multiple mutual visits and exchanges have been realised between the Collaborative Research Projects, generating very positive synergies.

It is recognised that numerous papers have been published in peer-reviewed journals and it is recommended to further increase activities of public outreach.

The SRG-LEE's Chair and Members express their appreciation for the strong focus on collaboration rather than competition of all the CRPs and recognise that intense, long-term collaborations have been established, assuring continuity to fruitful cooperation going beyond the ESF funding period.

The SRG-LEE's Chair and Members conclude that EuroVOL has met its original objectives and has substantially strengthened the European contribution to this interdisciplinary and innovative field of research. The current efforts made to generate new synergies with the EuroSolarFuels Programme are strongly endorsed.

The SRG-LEE's Chair and Members endorse the approval of the Final Report.