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Global Crop Diversity Trust Moves Headquarter to Germany

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Report Highlights:

In early January 2013, the Global Crop Diversity Trust will move its headquarter from Rome to Bonn, Germany.

General Information:

In early January 2013, the Global Crop Diversity Trust will move its headquarter from Rome to Bonn, Germany. The trust was established in 2004 as part of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA), which aims at “the conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture and the fair and equitable sharing of the benefits that arise from that use” (<http://www.croptrust.org/content/international-treaty> , <http://www.planttreaty.org/>).

The trust aims at raising USD 400 million as trust capital. Germany has pledged USD 11 million of which it has already paid USD 10.5 million. The United States Government is represented via USAID and has pledged and paid USD 34 million.

Before moving to Bonn, the trust was preliminarily located with the FAO in Rome.

The Trust’s new address will be:

Global Crop Diversity Trust
Platz der Vereinten Nationen 7
53113 Bonn
Germany

More information on the trust can be found at:

www.croptrust.org

Germany, and especially the City of Bonn, is eager to increase its international profile by attracting UN organizations to Bonn. A number of UN organizations in the fields of climate change, sustainable development, and conservation are already present in Bonn. A detailed list can be obtained through the following link:

http://www.bonn.de/wirtschaft_wissenschaft_internationales/uno-stadt/un_organisationen/index.html?lang=en