



# VIRTIGATION – Emerging viral diseases in tomatoes and cucurbits: Implementation of mitigation strategies for durable disease management

## Deliverable 8.1 H-Requirement No.1

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## 1 PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY

Deliverable 8.1, '*H-Requirement No. 1*', is the first deliverable of the four ethics requirements described in WP8 of VIRTIGATION Grant Agreement. The goal of this deliverable is to detail how the Consortium will address the H-Requirement of the 'Horizon 2020 Guidance – How to complete your ethics self-assessment'<sup>1</sup>, related to the involvement of human participants in the project, the details for their recruitment, inclusion and exclusion criteria, as well as the informed consent procedures.

Human participants are not the object of study in VIRTIGATION, as all research activities are addressed to plants. However, the project will still involve humans as part of the co-creation activities in WP1 (*'Plan and Implement a Multi-actor approach'*; e.g. surveys, questionnaires, multi-actor field workshops), as well as in the surveys carried out to implement WP5 (*'Integrated virus and vector management'*) and in the dissemination and communication activities included in WP6 (*'Dissemination, exploitation & communication'*; e.g. final project conference). A procedure has been implemented in close alignment with the Protection Of Personal Data (POPD) deliverable D8.2 in order to ask human participants, either VIRTIGATION partners or non-partners (stakeholders), for informed consent prior to participating in project activities included in the above mentioned work packages. Personal data will be adequately protected throughout the lifetime of the project as described in deliverable D8.2 (*'POPD-Requirement No. 2'*).

VIRTIGATION project acknowledges that research ethics is given high priority in H2020-funded research. The Consortium will hence comply with applicable national, EU and international legislation on the involvement of human participants and the protection of personal data, as set out in the Description of the Action and the Grant Agreement.

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<sup>1</sup>Horizon 2020 Guidance – How to complete your ethics self-assessment, v6.1, 4 February 2019, [http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants\\_manual/hi/ethics/h2020\\_hi\\_ethics-self-assess\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/hi/ethics/h2020_hi_ethics-self-assess_en.pdf).