

## AGREEMENT FOR DEPOSIT IN THE SAFE COLLECTION

CECT accepts deposits of **archaea, bacteria, filamentous fungi and yeasts up to risk group 3 (\*\*)**, in accordance with the provisions of the [Royal Decree 664/1997 of the 12 May 1997](#) and its subsequent amendments, transposing the Directive 2000/54/EC and its later modifications.

The information concerning the deposit and the nature of the microorganisms are treated in the strictest confidence. The strain will not be included in the open catalogue of the CECT or disclosed to third parties.

Access to this kind of deposits is granted only to the depositor or to third parties with the prior written consent of the depositor.

CECT will send the invoice corresponding to the initial deposit and successive extensions of storage indicated by the depositor. Depositor has one (1) month to make effective the payment. After this time and in case of default, CECT reserves the right to destroy the deposited strain.

CECT will check the viability and purity of the preserved strain; however, CECT is not responsible for its authenticity. The depositor will receive 2 vials of the preservation batch to control its authenticity. The depositor should send to CECT the "Confirmation Form" duly completed within three months since the receipt of the preserved strain.

In the frame of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), it is the depositor responsibility to ensure that the samples from which the strains were isolated were collected according to the legislation of the country of origin and that the deposit of the strains in a secured collection does not infringe any national regulation. Delivery of the strain to third parties requires explicit consent of the depositor and it is his/her responsibility to inform the end user about any obligation regarding use and benefit sharing.