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ABOUT US

The **Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Bari** (CIHEAM Bari) is the Italian Headquarters of **CIHEAM** (International Center of Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies) an intergovernmental organization founded in **1962** under the auspices of **OECD** and of the **Council of Europe**. CIHEAM, whose Secretariat is based in Paris, gathers 13 Mediterranean countries.



13 Member Countries



1 General Secretariat in Paris



4 Mediterranean Agronomic Institutes

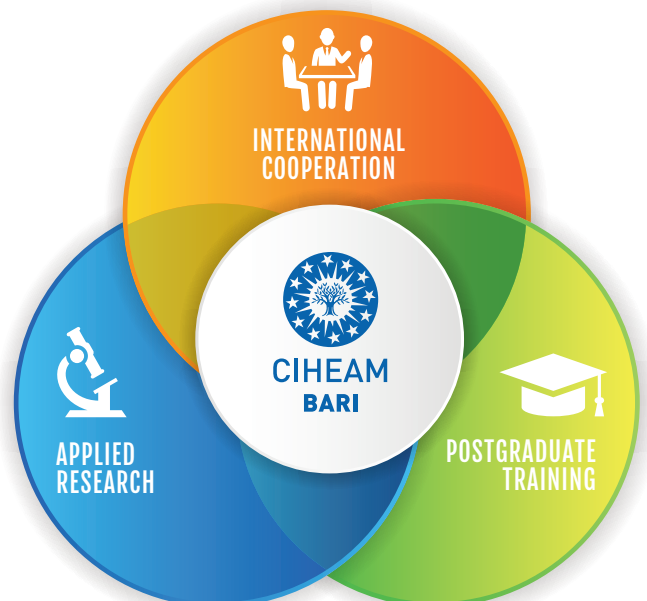
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CIHEAM Zaragoza - Spain



CIHEAM Bari's mission targets **post-graduate higher education**, **applied research** and **development cooperation**. CIHEAM Bari network involves hundreds of institutions located in several **Mediterranean and African countries**. In Italy, CIHEAM Bari avails of a network of around **200 bodies** among research, private sector, entrepreneurship, producers' organizations, institutions. Thanks to this network, CIHEAM Bari ensures a timely mobilization of **hundreds of experts** able to operate abroad and in Italy.

CIHEAM Bari's facilities include an **International Campus** located in Valenzano (Bari, Italy) and a **seat in Tricase** (Lecce, Italy) where capacity building actions are continuously carried out with both in-person and **distance learning** methodologies. CIHEAM Bari Campus includes 4 laboratories, experimental fields, greenhouses, a documentation center and a business-start up incubator.

OUR MISSION



THEMATIC AREAS

for education and training, research and cooperation activities



PRECISION AGRICULTURE AND SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES MANAGEMENT



FOOD SECURITY AND SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS



BLUE ECONOMY AND COASTAL AREAS MANAGEMENT



YOUTH ENTREPREUNERSHIP AND INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM

CROSS CUTTING THEMES



INNOVATION AND DIGITAL & GREEN TRANSFORMATION



GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



POLICY AND GOVERNANCE

We are currently involved in **95 transnational projects**, mobilizing more than **20 countries**, comprising more than **300** different organizations (**institutions, academia, civil society, research centers** and **enterprises**). CIHEAM Bari fosters the spirit of international cooperation in **promoting sustainable agriculture**. Our modus operandi includes a **participatory bottom-up-bottom methodology**, which is inclusive and integrated and aims at launching **public-private partnerships**.

As for **development cooperation**, CIHEAM Bari initiatives, funded by several Italian and international donors, address the nexus among agriculture, environment and health focusing on the following sectors:

- Food and nutrition security, Mediterranean diet, sustainable food systems
- Climate change and natural resources management
- Improvement of agricultural production and processing
- Rural and coastal development
- Sustainable fisheries and aquaculture
- Rural women empowerment
- Post-emergency actions

CIHEAM BARI IN FIGURES

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EDUCATION*



4539 Master & MSc Students
100 Countries
136 PhD
9552 Short courses trainees

PERSONNEL



87 Permanent staff
235 Consultants and experts
190 Local short-term staff
3 Research fellows

*Post graduates trained since 1962

FACILITIES

4 Laboratories
3 Experimental fields
2 Greenhouses
1 Innovation-Hub
1 Start-up incubator

RESEARCH



1275 SC Papers
418 Chapters/Books
842 Proceedings
260 Monographs

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

PARTICIPATORY
BOTTOM-UP-BOTTOM
METHODOLOGY

TRANSNATIONAL
95 PROJECTS



MOBILIZING more than
20 COUNTRIES



MORE than 300
ORGANIZATIONS



OUR TOOLS FOR DEVELOPMENT

01

Knowledge: Collection and systemisation of data and information on food systems and supply chains, also through the use of knowledge management tools

Remote and in-presence technical assistance: for supporting local communities in the application of new knowledge, techniques and processes

04

02

Online and in-presence higher education: Transfer of knowledge to key players for the development and implementation of policies in target countries (central and local officials, agricultural extension services, cooperatives, researchers, doctors)

Enhancement of public-private partnerships: through the organization of ad-hoc events to connect innovators, entrepreneurs and funders (e.g. brokerage, living labs, hackathon, etc.) and the creation of networks and channels for dialogue.

05

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Innovation: promoting the identification of sustainable solutions in line with the needs and contexts in which they will be applied, strengthening the collaboration between researchers and research institutions and favoring the potential transferability of innovations, including open innovation

Communities' involvement: through information campaigns, awareness raising, communities of practice and moments of exchange for the definition of solutions to common problems (e.g. community conversation).

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OUR DONORS

Italian Cooperation

Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation/
Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

International Cooperation Agencies

DFID
GIZ
SRTF

EU Development Cooperation and International Organizations

DG INTPA
FAO
World Bank
CEI/EBRD

EU Territorial Cooperation

ENI - CBC
INTERREG

EU Research & Innovation Fund

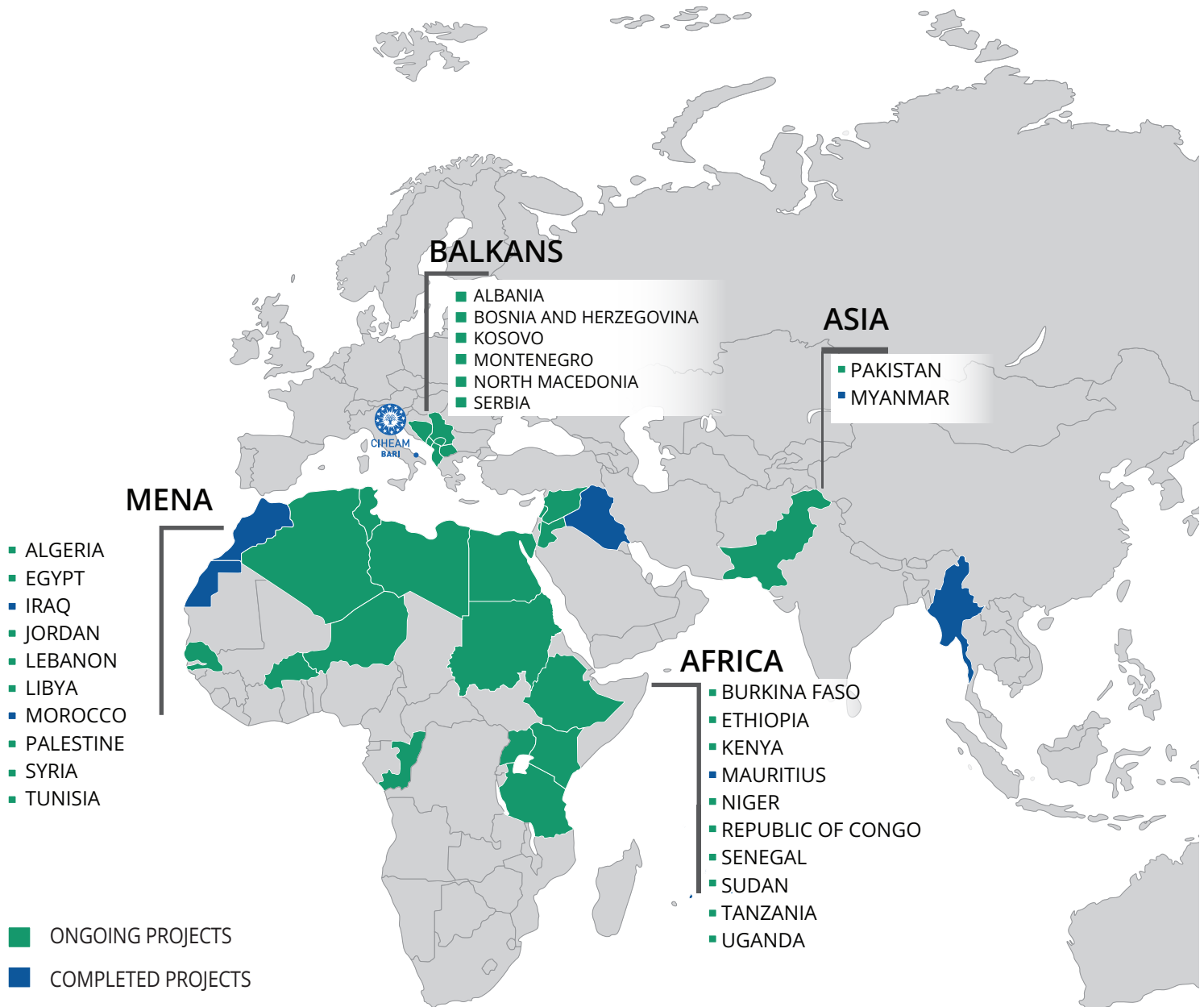
H2020, Horizon Europe

Italian national or regional funds

Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Economy, Local Authorities funds, etc.



PROJECT COOPERATION MAP



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**CIHEAM
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CIHEAM BARI ONGOING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

FINANCED BY
ITALIAN COOPERATION

SAFIAL

Institutional strengthening of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development for the management of food safety

Country:
Albania



Project Objectives:

The initiative aims to improve the food quality in compliance with hygiene and health standards by strengthening the ability of the competent bodies (the Institute of Food Safety and Veterinary Medicine, the Albanian Food Agency AKU and the National Veterinary and Plant Protection Authority) to perform controls and inspections on plant material and to operate in the veterinary sector.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

May 2021 / May 2024

Local Counterparts:

▶ Albanian Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD)

Budget:

€ 2.400.000



EU NEGOTIATION ALBANIA

Institutional support to Albania in the agricultural and fisheries sector towards EU-Accession



Country: Albania



Project Objectives:

The project aims to improve the socio-economic context of Albania in order to meet the European integration policies of the Albanian agricultural, agri-food and fisheries sector, with reference to the Chapters 11 and 13.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

September 2023 – August 2026

Local Counterparts:

▶ Albanian Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD)

Budget:

€ 2.500.000



TYPICAL AL

Improvement of food safety standards along the Albanian chains of typical local products

Country:
Albania



Project Objectives:

The initiative stems from an explicit request from the Albanian Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development to Italy in order to be assisted in supporting the processing and marketing of typical local products, using standard protocols in line with those applied by the European Union. The aim of the project is to stimulate the processing of typical local products of vegetable, animal and fish origin, carried out by "Community Laboratories" (incubators), managed by associations, as an economic and work opportunity for rural and coastal communities.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

January 2023 – January 2026

Local Counterparts:

► Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD)

Budget:

€ 3.000.000

ANC BiH

Sustainable economic development and environmental protection of Areas with Natural Constraints in Bosnia and Herzegovina



Sustainable economic development and environmental protection of Areas with Natural Constraints in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Country:
Bosnia and Herzegovina



Project Objectives:

The initiative aims to identify and promote the areas with Natural Constraints (ANC) in Bosnia and Herzegovina, as defined by the Regulation (EU 1303/2013), promoting actions based on eco-efficiency, innovation, equal opportunities, and environmental protection through activation, support and consolidation of sustainable rural practices. In this way, it will be possible to mitigate the risks of abandonment of the territory and, therefore, to reduce the risks of desertification and hydro-geological disasters, loss of biodiversity and precious rural landscapes.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

May 2021/ May 2024

Local Counterparts:

► Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations (MoFTER)

Budget:

€ 2.400.000

Green&Healthy BiH

Transition towards green and healthy food production in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Country:
Bosnia and Herzegovina



Project Objectives:

The initiative aims to support the transition towards green and healthy agricultural production in Bosnia and Herzegovina and its better promotion at the national and international (EU) markets. This will be achieved by strengthening the capacity of public administration, farmers, and food producers to adopt the EU standards and eco-sustainable production practices and to increase the value of agri-food products at the markets.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

January 2023 / December 2025

Local Counterparts:

► Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations (MoFTER)

Budget:

€ 2.499.500

WATER KNOWLEDGE

Egyptian Italian Water Training Programme

Country:
Egypt



Project Objectives:

The initiative aims to contribute to foster a sustainable management and common shared vision of water resources use by enhancing the managerial and technical skills of water operators in Egypt.

The regional training sector for water resources and irrigation (RTSWRI), will be strengthened for a regional water management among several arab and african Ministries.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

February 2022 / February 2024

Local Counterparts:

► Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation.

Budget:

€ 2.268.838



WEMADE

Women Economic Empowerment and Market Development: Fighting the marginalization and poverty of rural women by supporting economic empowerment and facilitating market access.

Country:
Egypt



Project Objectives:

WEMADE aims to contribute to the reduction of poverty and the strengthening of the resilience of rural communities by improving the socio-economic conditions of women in Egypt by scaling up of women's micro-enterprises operating in the agricultural and rural sector in the most vulnerable communities of Sohag and Minya Governorates. Through a set of actions, the project will provide women with technical support and skills necessary to expand the marketing of their products, and therefore improve their income.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

April 2022 / October 2023

Local Counterparts:

▶ Egyptian Ministry of Social Solidarity

Budget:

€ 440.213,33



EGYPT PRIMA

Transferring/upscaling PRIMA projects results to Egypt

Country:
Egypt



Project Objectives:

The Egypt-PRIMA Initiative, financed by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI), engages CIHEAM Bari, as executive agency, and the PRIMA Foundation in an endeavour to harness opportunities offered by PRIMA research results in Egypt to enhance sustainable agriculture and natural resources management as well as technological innovation, for promoting growth. Based on three pre-screened PRIMA projects, CIHEAM Bari and PRIMA Foundation are supporting the Egyptian counterparts in the design of up to two research and development projects targeting value chains identified in the relevant PRIMA projects (olive tree, rice, citrus) and addressing improvements in the efficiency of water management systems. Once the projects are finalised, presentation to potential donors will follow.

Funding:

MAECI - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

Start / End:

July 2023 - December 2023

Local Counterparts:

Ministry of International Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation (MALR), Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation (MWRI), Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (MHESR), Ministry of Supply and Internal Trade.

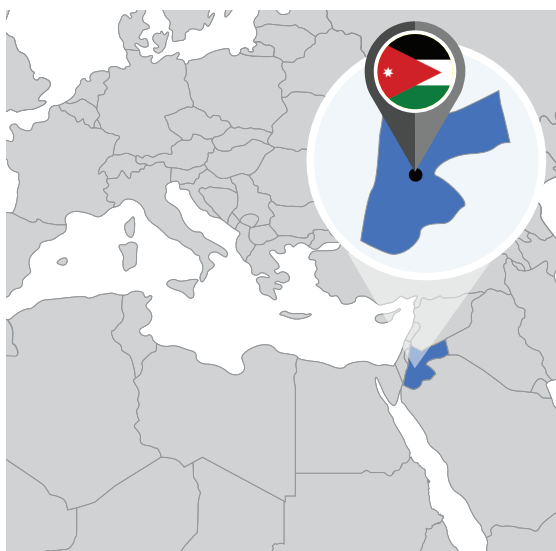
Budget:

€ 400.000

JORDES

Institutional strengthening for innovative rural development strategies

Country:
Jordan



Project Objectives:

Strengthening of the Ministry of Agriculture services through innovative approach for a competitive rural development.

Improvement of the productive system and sustainable management of natural resources for a competitiveness of the Jordan agriculture in an international scenario.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

November 2022 / August 2023

Local Counterparts:

► Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Water and Irrigation, Ministry of the Environment

Budget:

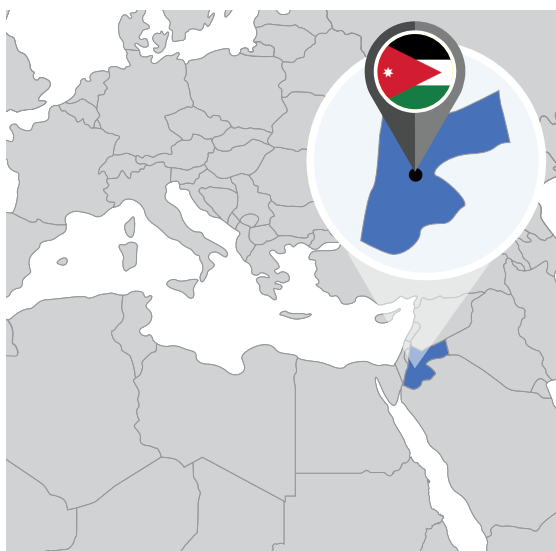
€ 500.000

JOSME

Enhancement of Jordanian SMEs
inclusiveness, competitiveness and
sustainable innovation



Country:
Jordan



Project Objectives:

The initiative aims to support in improving the Jordanian agri-business sector. In this sense, the initiative aims to promote the Jordanian agribusiness SMEs to become reliable exporters with competitive and innovative quality products and services for new and future markets, as well as for the domestic markets. This will be done by strengthening bilateral dialogues between the Jordanian agribusiness SMEs and with key players of the Italian Private Sector and herewith identifying necessary factors and requirements for Jordanian SMEs to expand their access opportunities to the European market. By strengthening the Jordanian SMEs capacities and skills, they will be empowered in increasing quality of production and processing for an enhanced response to the international (and Italian) markets challenges, in line with international standards.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

March 2021 / September 2023

Local Counterparts:

► Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply

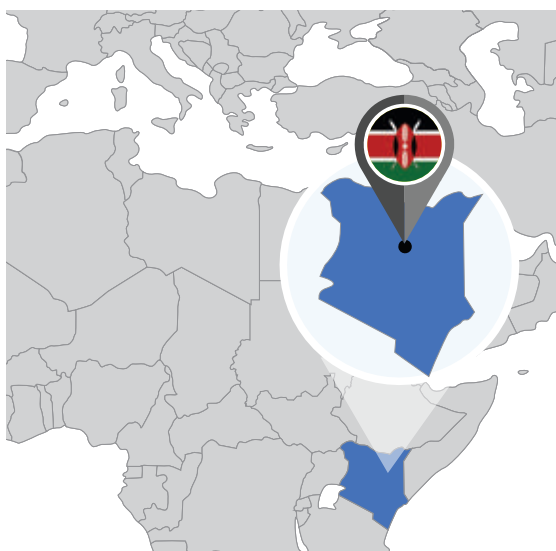
Budget:

€ 2.300.000

GO BLUE

Coastal Economic Development in Kenya EU and the Government of Kenya partnership to advance the Blue Economy Agenda through Coastal Development

Country:
Kenya



Project Objectives:

The Action aims to overcome key constraints that limit production, value addition, marketing and access to markets for small scale fisheries actors, smallholder farmers and their households through a value chain approach. Indeed, the logic underlying the project design intends to stimulate development of fisheries and agricultural value chains for improved product quality, better incomes and food security for coastal communities. The intervention will promote activities that would allow for strengthened institutional capacity to formulate integrated strategies and economic blueprints for sustainable and inclusive growth of the Coastal Region. This will include support to job creation, inclusive business environment and value chain development by implementing model value flagship actions at BMU level in the 6 target counties and in the Coconut-Cassava zone of Kilifi county.

Funding:

Italian Agency for Development and Cooperation (AICS) through funds of the 11th European Development Fund (EDF)

Start / End:

June 2021 / December 2024

Local Counterparts:

▶ JKP (Jumuiya ya Kaunti za Pwani) and Kenya Coastal Counties

Budget:

€ 1.718.027,31 (allocated to CIHEAM Bari)



SEMAKENYA II

A Resilient Pathway to Agroecology
in Makueni County

Country:
Kenya



Project Objectives:

The project will promote the decarbonisation process and combat climate change by implementing field trials of castor, assess the opportunity to identify specialised areas for the new varieties of bioenergy crops to promote an additional economic income for the local communities and counter, as an adaptation practice, to reduce the negative impact of climate change on local livelihoods.

The project will also introduce agroecological and climate-smart practices to improve food production in quantity and quality. Particular attention will be paid to the business sector, youth and women entrepreneurship improving the marketing potential of agricultural products by identifying good markets and enhancing the quality of farm products.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS – Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

January 2023 / December 2025

Local Counterparts:

► Ministry of Agriculture Livestock Fisheries and Irrigation, Makueni County

Budget:

€ 2.000.000

SEALACOM

Sustainability of SEA and LAND for
Environmental and COMMunity
Development

Country:
Lebanon



Project Objectives:

Sealacom aims to support efforts to reduce the impact of increasing challenges in food security, energy, water, and disaster management on vulnerable communities in Lebanon, under prevailing emergency circumstances. Embracing research for society perspective, the adaptation and resilience capacities of farmers and fishers will be enhanced, through the provision of tools and knowledge made available by CNRS & CANA-CNRS vessel, and the improved management of early warning systems.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

March 2023 / February 2024

Local Counterparts:

► National Council for Scientific Research - Lebanon (CNRS-L)

Budget:

€ 800.000



SEEDS LEBANON

Strengthening certified seeds production

Country:
Lebanon



Project Objectives:

The Seeds Lebanon project proposal has been designed to concretely assist and support the Lebanese Institutions to respond to the needs of the rural communities by increasing food security through increasing agricultural production by improving seed sector in Lebanon. This proposal has been submitted following the requests of the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) and the Lebanese Agricultural Research institute (LARI) for an improvement in the following regulation regarding the control, the testing, and the multiplication of strategic seeds crops such as legumes and cereals, especially wheat, both hard and soft.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

September 2023 / February 2025

Local Counterparts:

► Ministry of Agriculture (MoA), Lebanese Agricultural Research institute (LARI)

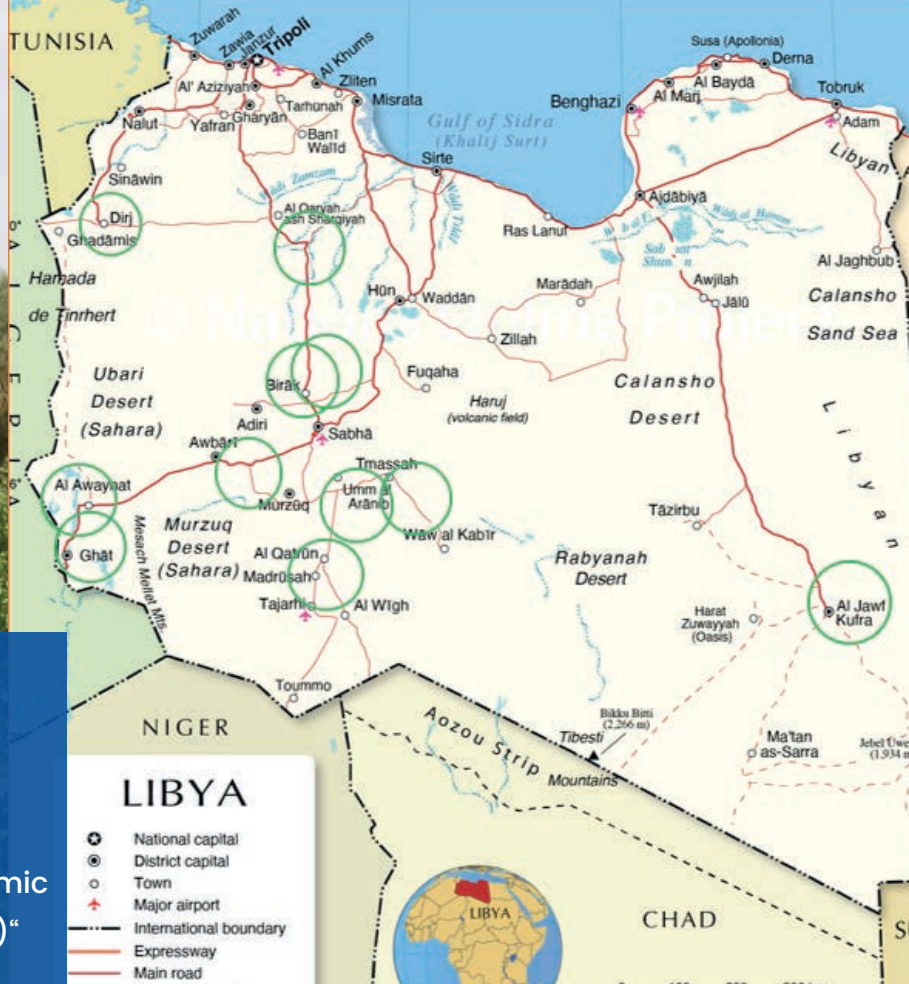
Budget:

€ 1.000.000



BALADIYATI

“Recovery, Stability and Socio-Economic Development in Libya (RSSD Phase 2)“



Project Objectives:

The project intends to enhance income generation, diversified jobs and livelihood opportunities in the agro-food sector including support to innovation and youth entrepreneurship through inclusive and participatory local economic recovery.

بلديتي
BALADIYATI

Country:
Libya



Funding:

Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS) through funds of the EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa (EUTF)

Start / End:

March 2022 / June 2024

Local Counterparts:

► Ministry of Local Governance (MoLG) Local Agricultural Authorities (Ministry of Agriculture -MoA), 11 Municipalities and involved Local Governmental agricultural authorities .

Budget:

€ 3.350.000



EFEF-PLUS

Enhancing Farming Employment in Fezzan (EFEF) – PLUS

Support to the revival of the agricultural sector, promotion of decent work and social cohesion

Country:
Libya



Project Objectives:

Support to the revival of the agricultural sector through the supply of modern and efficient farm machinery and equipment for fruit, vegetable and cereal growing and delivery of agricultural machinery custom hiring services for enhanced agricultural production and productivity, improved employment opportunities and better working conditions for various categories of workers and/or job seekers in the municipalities of Sebha, Murzuq, Ghat and Ubari of Fezzan region.

Promote enhanced social cohesion, inclusivity, youth and women empowerment through support to TVET and socio-educational initiatives targeting (female and male) youth from the local communities.

Funding:

Directorate General for Italians Abroad and Migration Policies of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation through the Migration Fund

Start / End:

Jan 2023 / Dec 2024

Budget:

€ 5.000.000

FLEDI

Programme for the Food Security and Resilience of Rural Communities in Libya

Country:
Libya



Project Objectives:

The initiative aims at strengthening the communities' resilience by increasing production and its sustainability for farmers in Fezzan. Related strategy is based on a participative approach aiming at to involve the communities in Fezzan and the Ministry of Agriculture and animal Wealth. Taken into account the socioeconomic fragility in the region, the initiative will analyse the potentials and weaknesses of the economic, social, political and security status in the region. It will drive to refine better the interventions in the area.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

August 2020 / March 2024

Local Counterparts:

▶ Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Marine Wealth, Ministry of Local Governance

Budget:

€ 3.500.000

OLIVECULTURE

“Holistic and Multiprofessional Scheme for establishing a Pakistani OliveCulture Value Chain“ (OLIVECULTURE)



Country:
Pakistan



Project Objectives:

The initiative contributes to achieve the rural food security goals improving multilayer sustainable agriculture, rural development, inclusive governance, gender equality and to enforce socio-economic conditions of rural families and smallholders farmers. It aims to reinforce the Pakistani olive oil value chain through i) proper analysis on the agronomic, cultural and social heritage of olive in Pakistan ii) supporting the rural integrated development of the olive oil sector by proper policy iii) enhancing the value chain on different levels iv) engaging youth and women in income generating activities v) supporting the promotion and valorisation of Pakistani olive oil.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

January 2022/November 2024

Local Counterparts:

▶ Pakistan Oilseed Development Board (PODB) / Ministry of National Food Security & Research

Budget:

€ 1,500,000



COOPERATIVE NETWORK SANET

Support Agrifood Cooperation Networks in Palestine

Country:
Palestine



Project Objectives:

The project intends to stimulate the creation of new employment opportunities in the agri-food sector among the most vulnerable rural communities, with a special focus on youth and women. In this scenario, the enhancement of the existing farmers' groups and organizations networks is an effective tool for job creation and support to the agriculture production. In addition, the economic inclusion of agricultural cooperatives and associations in a structured value chain development process, will improve their access to market, boost socio-economic stabilization and thus improve their access to capital and other facilities.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

May 2023 / May 2026

Local Counterparts:

▶ Ministry of Agriculture (MoA)

Budget:

€ 3.400.000



Food Urban Policies

“Food Urban policies” (PUC)
Socio-economic stability action in
Brazzaville for the sustainable
management of agri-food markets.

Country:
REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO



Project Objectives:

Project aimed at strengthening the growth and socio-economy cohesion between the rural and coastal communities in Brazzaville, supporting peace processes and conflicts reduction, through urban food policies, developing a network to make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable (SDG11). The management of agricultural products and by-products is an emergency, characterized by internal conflicts. The main objective of the project is to develop innovative competencies, aimed at food safety and security, added value and short chain development to reduce food waste and losses. The Project approach develop the approach for conflict prevention and management in Africa, according to the vision of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation/Directorate General for Global Affairs (MAECI/DGMO).

Funding:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International
Cooperation/Directorate General for Global Affairs

Start / End:

December 2022/ November 2023

Local Counterparts:

▶ Brazzaville Local Municipality

Budget:

€ 100.000



MIPRO SUD

Enhancing food production in Sudan through supporting smallholder producers in agriculture, fisheries and livestock in the Red Sea and Kassala states

Country:
Sudan



Project Objectives:

The MIPRO-SUD Project "Improving Food Production in Sudan through Supporting Small Producers in the Agriculture, Fisheries and Livestock Sectors in the Red Sea and Kassala States" aims to strengthen the resilience capacities of the populations in the Red Sea and Kassala states, mostly engaged in fish and agro-pastoral production activities, through improved access to and availability of sustainable forms of livelihoods, supported by inclusive policies and services by the relevant authorities.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Local Counterparts:

▶ Water Research Centre, University of Khartoum

Budget:

€ 5.400.000



RALNES

“Strengthening local Administrations in North East Syria to support rural communities “ (RALNES)

Country:
SYRIA



Project Objectives:

The project aims to strengthen the Local Administrations of North East Syria to support the rural communities through the provision of agriculture and veterinary inputs and services to increase agricultural and livestock production and household income. The project provides double support by providing direct assistance to farmers and breeders through the distribution of inputs, and to the Local Authorities through the activation of agricultural and veterinary services, enhancing herewith agricultural production and eventually contributing to increased food security and securing the livelihood source of thousand of farmers.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

January 2023 / December 2024

Local Counterparts:

► Civil Administrations of Raqqqa, Al-Hassakeh, Tabqa, Deir Ezzor (North-Est Syria)

Budget:

€ 4.000.000



BIOTERRITOIRES

“Integrated action to carry out pre feasibility and support for the establishment of 5 Pilot Bio Territories in Tunisia, within an oriented framework of local development (production, services, entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation) thus encouraging development of micro, small and middle enterprises, through enhancement of know how, genetic and natural resources” (BIOTERRITOIRES)

Country:
TUNISIA



Project Objectives:

The aim of this initiative is to provide a technical and methodological support to the Tunisian Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Water Resources (Directorate-General for Organic Agriculture) to carry out a concrete and realistic pre-feasibility study leading to the establishment of five pilot areas focussed on organic services/production (bio-territories) in Tunisia. The project will make it possible to assess the current state of play of these five areas, where a preliminary study, funded by the Tunisian government, was already conducted in 2014. In order to maximise the impact on the enhancement of the rural environment and the creation of job opportunities, especially for young people and women, development drivers and distinctive features of each pilot zone will be identified.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

November 2022/ May 2024

Local Counterparts:

► General Direction for Organic Agriculture (Ministry of Agriculture, Fishery and Hydraulic Resources)

Budget:

€ 1.000.000

TANIT

Supporting the Italy Tunisia strategic partnership on food security

Country:
TUNISIA



Project Objectives:

The project aims to increase agricultural production through innovative and mechanized practices, in collaboration with the Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Ressources Hydrauliques et de la Pêche (MARHP) and the Office des Terres Domaniales (OTD), while seeking to activate collaborations between the Italian and Tunisian agribusiness production systems.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

January 2024 / December 2024

Local Counterparts:

▶ Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Ressources Hydrauliques et de la Pêche (MARHP), Office des Terres Domaniales (OTD)

Budget:

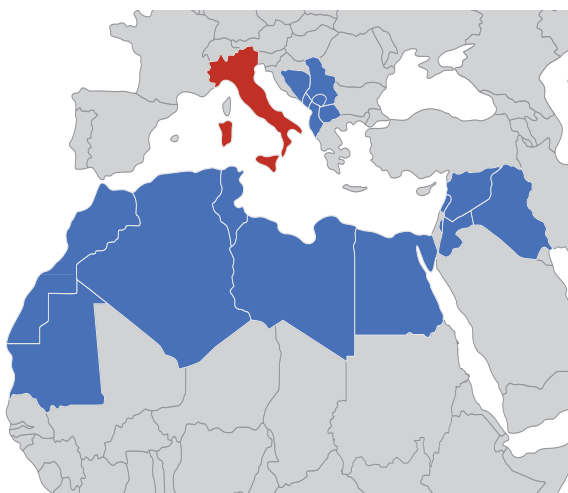
€ 1.600.000

MEDIET

Building Resilient and Sustainable Food Systems in the Mediterranean Area



17 Countries in:
Balkan, Mashrek and Maghreb area



Project Objectives:

The project is implemented by CIHEAM Bari in the South-East Mediterranean region, with a specific focus on three geographical areas, the Balkans, North Africa and the Middle East, and covering 17 countries. The aim is to address the multiple and interconnected challenges these countries are currently facing. Building closer partnerships will help develop sustainable and resilient food systems and support the governments in formulating and implementing food policies, guidelines, and food security measures. Sustainability of the Mediterranean Diet will be considered in its institutional, environmental, economic, and social dimensions.

Funding:

MAECI / AICS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

February 2022 / January 2024

Local Counterparts:

► Institutions of the 17 target countries

Budget:

€ 1.500.000



EU GREEN DEAL PLAN

Promoting rural development initiatives in South-Eastern Europe based on the EU Green Deal Plan

Countries:

Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Kosovo



Project Objectives:

The project supports the acceleration of the EU integration process in the non-EU SEE countries with a specific focus on the sustainable agriculture and rural development. This will be achieved through the establishment and support of a regional platform enhancing dialogue, networking and cross-border collaboration between the non-EU SEE countries, RRD SWG and CIHEAM BARI in the sector of sustainable agriculture and rural development. The opportunities for cooperation/funding will be identified and a regional joint project proposal on sustainable agriculture and rural development based on the EU Green Deal Plan, Green Agenda for Western Balkan, and other related programs will be developed.

Funding:

MAECI-DGUE, Directorate General for Europe and International Trade Policy

Start / End:

December 2023 – July 2024

Local Counterparts:

Albania: MARD-Albanian Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, **Bosnia-Herzegovina:** MoFTER - Ministry of Foreign Trade & Economic Relations, **North Macedonia:** MAFWE - Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy ; RRD SWG - Regional Rural Development Strategic Working Group **Montenegro:** MAFWM - Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, **Serbia:** MAFWE - Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy, **Kosovo:** MAFRD - Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Development

Budget:

€ 60.000

MAMI FARMERS MARKETS

Building Capacity for African and Mediterranean Farmers Markets as a resilient alternative to industrial market



Countries:

Albania, Egypt, Kenya,
Lebanon, Tunisia



Project Objectives:

The project main goal is building capacity for African and Mediterranean Farmers Markets as a resilient alternative to industrial market. A sustainable food system is a key target of the global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The current global food system operates on market mechanisms that prioritize profit maximization. Farmers' Markets represent an alternative market structure to the dominant industrial market. FMs are small-scale, decentralized markets for food producers and fishermen structured by characteristics that support the local economy, create social value, and are seen to somehow reduce environmental externalities of the transportation and industrial food imports associated with a global food system. Moreover, through diversification of farming activity (production and selling) these markets may secure the family farm business with higher job opportunities.

Funding:

MAECI / DGCS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / General Directorate for Cooperation and Development

Start / End:

July 2023/ August 2025

Local Counterparts:

► Ministries and competent Authorities / Organizations, Cooperatives, World Farmers Markets Coalition.

Budget:

€ 1.100.000

STARTUP 10

Empowering Entrepreneurial Skills
in Green and Blue Economy in Med
Region and Africa



Countries:

**Albania, Algeria,
Bosnia-Herzegovina, Egypt,
Ethiopia, Jordan, Kenya,
Lebanon, Tunisia, Uganda**



Project Objectives:

The project aims to support youth employment and food security in 10 low- and middle-income countries, in the Mediterranean and Africa, in line with the goals of the United Nations 2030 Agenda and the new strategic guidelines of the Italian Cooperation highlighted in the Three-Year Programming and Steering Document 2021-2023. In particular, given the development opportunities associated with innovation and entrepreneurial competitiveness, this proposal articulates a plan to strengthen business incubators to support young people who intend to consolidate their startups in some Mediterranean and African countries (Algeria, Egypt, Tunisia, Jordan, Lebanon, Kenya, Ethiopia, Uganda, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Albania).

Funding:

MAECI / DGCS - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation / General Directorate for Cooperation and Development

Start / End:

October 2023 / September 2025

Budget:

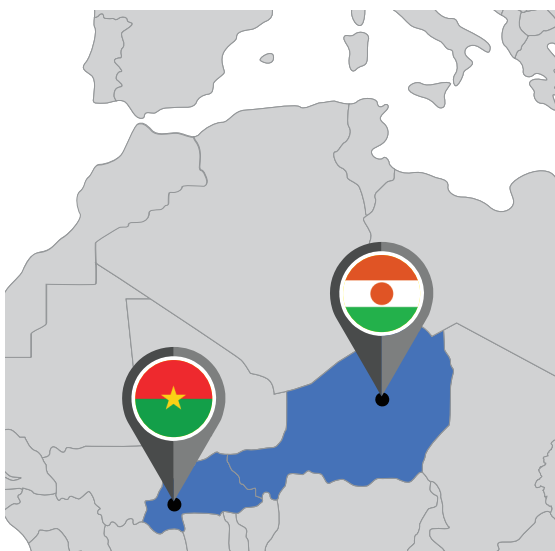
€ 2.200.000

SUSTLIVES

SUSTaining and improving local crop patrimony in Burkina Faso and Niger for better LIVES and ecosystems



Countries:
Burkina Faso, Niger



Project Objectives:

The general objective of the project is to promote the transition towards sustainable and climate-resilient agriculture and food systems in Burkina Faso and Niger through the development of local agro-biodiversity to ensure food security and improve the livelihoods of rural communities.

Specific objective: Strengthen the research and innovation capacities of AKIS (Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System) actors in the value chains of neglected and underutilized species (NUS) in Burkina Faso and Niger.

Funding:

Programme DeSIRA
EU - DG INTPA
Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Start / End:

August 2021 / July 2025

Local Counterparts:

► Alliance Bioversity International – CIAT, Italian National Research Council (CNR), University Roma Tre, Natural Resources Institute Finland (LUKE), University Joseph Ki-Zerbo (Burkina Faso) and University Abdou Moumouni (Niger)

Budget:

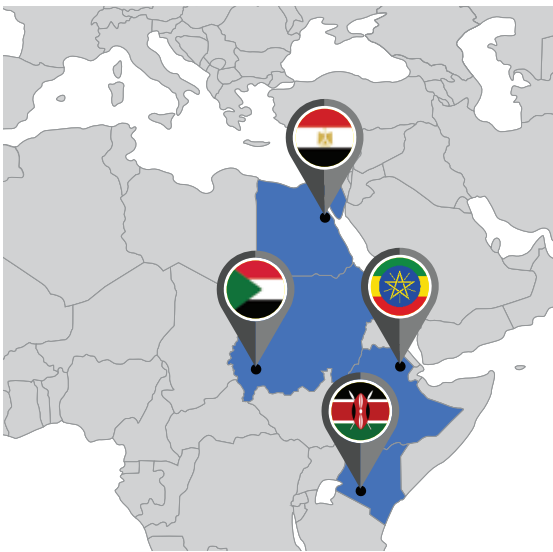
€ 4.847.475

WATDEV

Climate Smart WATER Management
and Sustainable DEVELOPMENT for
food and agriculture in East Africa



Countries:
Egypt, Ethiopia,
Kenya, Sudan



Project Objectives:

Increase sustainable agricultural water management and resilience of agro-ecosystems to climate change in East Africa and Egypt. WATDEV aims to develop an in-depth understanding of small and large-scale water and agricultural resources, dynamics and management, while boosting people's resilience to climate, through innovative research, modelling, and capacity building approaches.

Funding:

Programme DeSIRA
EU - DG INTPA

Start / End:

January 2022/ June 2025

Local Counterparts:

- ▶ ASARECA (Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa, Uganda)
- WLRI (Water and Land Resources Institute, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia)
- HU (Heliopolis University, Egypt)
- WRC (Water Research Centre, University of Khartoum, Sudan)
- KALRO (Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization)

Budget:

€ 6.196.210

FISH

Socio-economic stability in Senegal, Uganda and Tanzania developing Urban Food Policies (PUC) in the small scale fishery sector in Dakar, Kampala and Zanzibar

Countries:

SENEGAL
UGANDA
TANZANIA



Project Objectives:

The Project aims at strengthening the growth and socio-economy cohesion between the rural/ coastal communities and the urban areas of Dakar, Kampala, and Zanzibar, supporting peace processes and conflicts reduction. In the urban contexts, the management of agricultural products and by-products is an emergency, characterized by internal conflicts and compromised by supply crises and rising commodity prices. The main objective of the projects is to develop an innovative network of competencies aimed at implementing new logistic organization in the fishery sector value chain as a pilot model: safety and security, added value, short chain, co-management of natural resources, women empowerments.

Funding:

Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation/Directorate General for Global Affairs

Start / End:

December 2022/ November 2025

Local Counterparts:

▶ Local Municipalities, Fishermen Associations, women groups involved in fishery products and

Budget:

€ 250.000



BLUE & GREEN

“Boosting Local authorities’
Understanding of coastal Economy &
Growing Regenerative Enterprises in the
Ecosystem Network in Dakar and
Kampala” (Blue & Green)

Countries:
SENEGAL
UGANDA



Project Objectives:

Strategic guidelines and vision are shared for improving the services of urban utility related to waste management and Blue Economy good practices, strengthening the connection between local communities and Institutions. Dakar and Kampala municipalities will acquire knowledge and competence about sustainable development and waste management involving local communities of the coastal and urban area: Best Management Practices. The municipalities increase skills on sustainable waste management and entrepreneurship promotion. Attention is given to the Italian political, institutional and operational guidelines as a tool for conflict prevention, management and resolution in Africa according to the priorities of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation/Directorate General for Global Affairs (MAECI/DGMO).

Funding:

Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation/Directorate General for Global Affairs

Start / End:

February 2022 / January 2024

Local Counterparts:

▶ Dakar and Kampala municipalities



Budget:

€ 150.000



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