

# INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AT CIHEAM BARI



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## CIHEAM BARI

Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Bari

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.

# OUR MISSION



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 Mediterranean Innovation Hub.

## THEMATIC AREAS

for education and training, research and cooperation activities



PRECISION AGRICULTURE  
AND SUSTAINABLE  
RESOURCES MANAGEMENT



BLUE ECONOMY AND  
COASTAL AREAS MANAGEMENT



FOOD SECURITY AND  
SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS



YOUTH ENTREPREUNERSHIP  
AND INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM

## CROSS CUTTING TOPICS

INNOVATION AND  
DIGITAL & GREEN  
TRANSFORMATION



POLICY AND GOVERNANCE



GENDER EQUALITY AND  
WOMEN EMPOWERMENT





## CIHEAM BARI in FIGURES



### EDUCATION\*

**4539**

Master &  
MSc Students

**100**

Countries

**136**

PhD

**9552**

Short courses  
trainees

\*since 1962



### PERSONNEL

**87**

Permanent  
staff

**235**

Consultants  
and experts

**190**

Local  
short-term staff

**3**

Research  
fellows



### FACILITIES

**4**

Laboratories

**3**

Experimental  
fields

**2**

Greenhouses

**1**

Innovation-Hub

**1**

Start-up  
incubator



### RESEARCH

**1275**

SC Papers

**418**

Chapters/  
Books

**842**

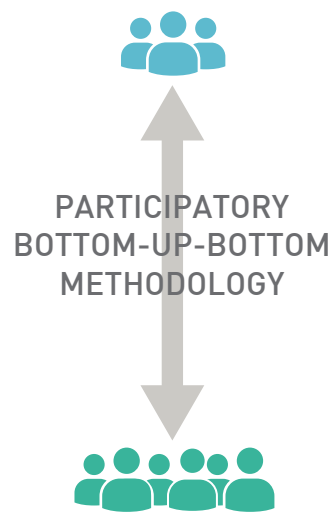
Proceedings

**260**

Monographs

# INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

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**.



**95**

Transnational projects

More than **20**

Mobilised Countries

More than **300**

Organizations



## OUR TOOLS FOR DEVELOPMENT

### KNOWLEDGE

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

### 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)

### 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

### REMOTE AND IN-PRESENCE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

For supporting local communities in the application of new knowledge, techniques and processes

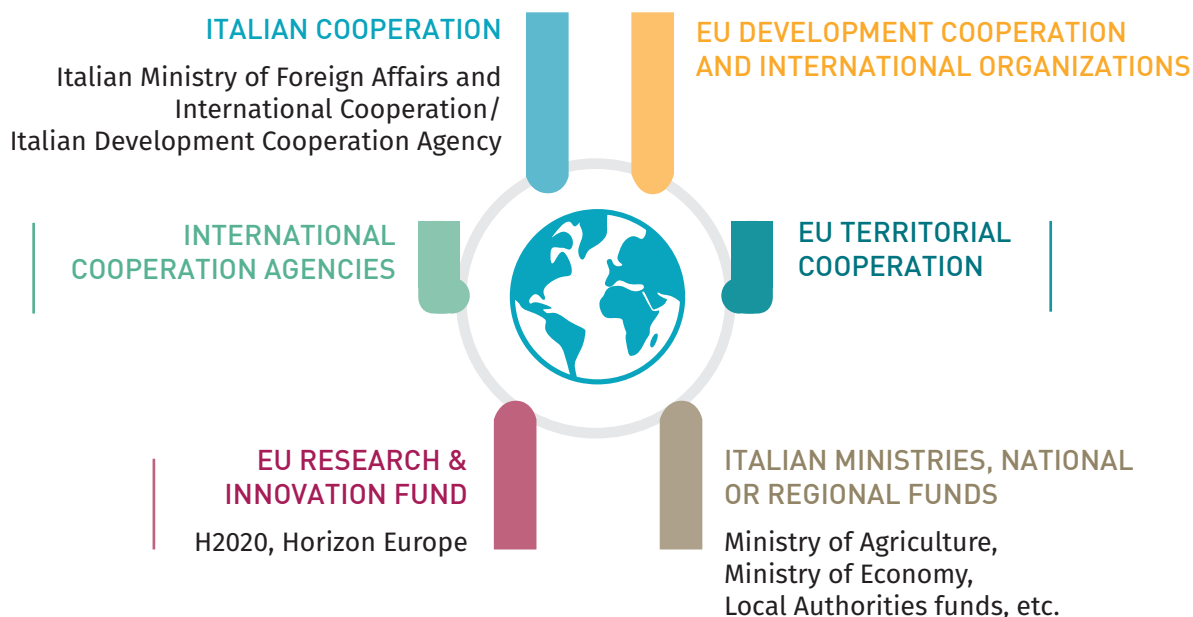
### ENHANCEMENT OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

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.

### COMMUNITIES' INVOLVEMENT

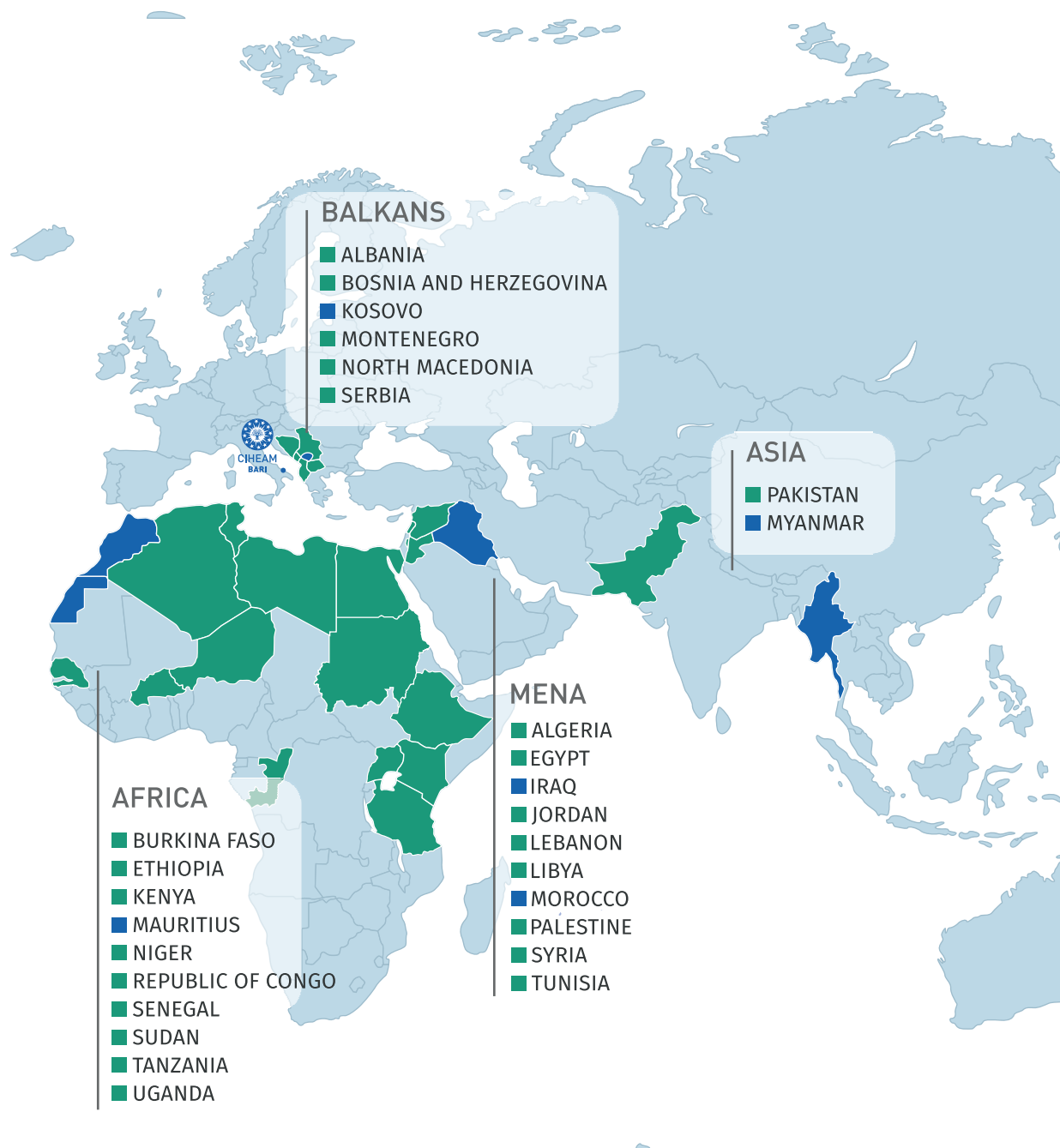
Through information campaigns, awareness raising, communities of practice and moments of exchange for the definition of solutions to common problems (e.g. community conversation).

## OUR DONORS





# COOPERATION PROJECT MAP



■ Ongoing projects  
■ Completed projects



# 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 21-June 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Albanian Ministry of Agriculture and Rural  
Development (MARD)

### BUDGET:

€ 2.400.000,00



## EU GOAL

**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 and agri-food sector, with reference to the Chapters 11 and 13.

General objective: to improve the socio-economic context of Albania and its positioning to meet the European integration policies of the Albanian agricultural rural development and fisheries sector.

Specific objective: to strengthen the capacity of MARD in the context of EU accession negotiations for Chapters 11 and 13, implementing a pilot intervention in the agricultural and fisheries sectors in accordance with the new CAP 2023-2027 and the Common Fisheries Policy.

#### FUNDING:

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

#### START / END:

January 24-January 27

#### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Albanian Ministry of Agriculture and Rural  
Development (MARD)

#### BUDGET:

€ 2.500.000,00





# 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 23-January 26

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Albanian Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD)

### BUDGET:

€ 3.000.000,00



# ANC BIH

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



**COUNTRY:**  
**BOSNIA AND**  
**HERZEGOVINA**



## **FUNDING:**

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

## **START / END:**

May 21 - May 24

## **LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:**

Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations (MoFTER)

## **BUDGET:**

€ 2.400.000,00

## **PROJECT OBJECTIVES:**

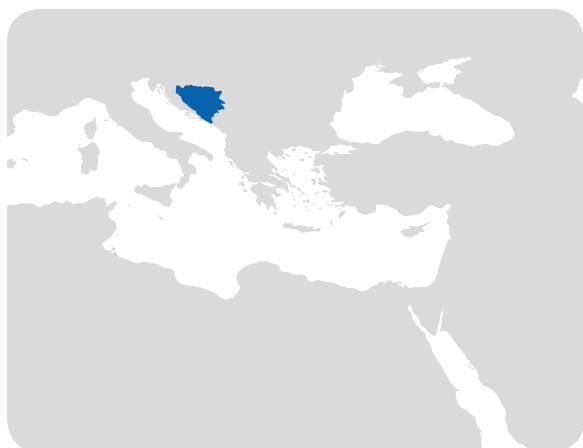
The project aims to identify and promote the areas with Natural Constraints (ANC) in Bosnia and Herzegovina, as defined by the Regulation (EU 1305/2013), promoting actions based on eco-efficiency, innovation, equal opportunities, and environmental protection through activation, support and consolidation 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.



# GREEN AND 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 23 - January 26

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations (MoFTER)

### BUDGET:

€ 2.400.000,00



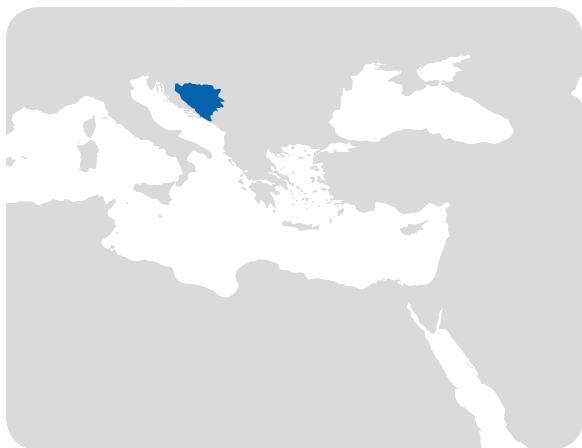


# PROBIO BIH

Promotion of local biodiversity through innovative nature-based actions in the agri-food sector of Bosnia and Herzegovina

COUNTRY:

**BOSNIA AND  
HERZEGOVINA**



## PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

The initiative revolves around the protection and valorization of local plant biodiversity in BiH. The initiative aims to help design rural development policies and initiatives in compliance with EU measures to protect native and agricultural biodiversity in BiH by using innovations in the agri-food sector and promoting youth and women entrepreneurship. This will be achieved by strengthening the capacity of public administration in the sectors of agriculture and rural development and by adapting the EU standards regarding biodiversity protection and valorization to the Bosnian and Herzegovinian context.

### FUNDING:

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

### START / END:

To be updated

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations of Bosnia and Herzegovina (MoFTER)

### BUDGET:

€ 2.600.000,00



# 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 22 - February 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation

### BUDGET:

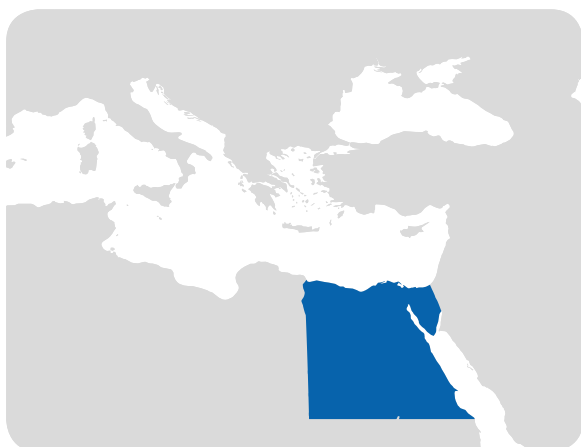
€ 2.268.838,00



# 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 22-October 23

### 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 (Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area) 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 23-December 23

### BUDGET:

€ 400.000,00

### 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.

# 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 23-August 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 325.000,00



# 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 21-September 23

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply

### BUDGET:

€ 2.300.000,00

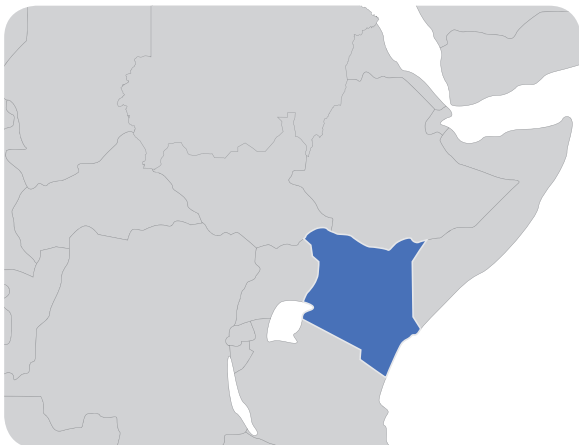


# GO BLUE

Partnership between the EU and the Government of Kenya 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 21-December 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 1.718.027,31

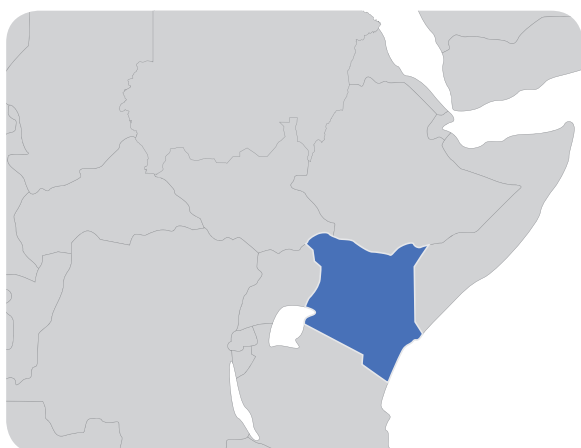


# SEMAKENYA II

Promoting sustainable farming systems and environmental rehabilitation in West Pokot and Baringo counties within the One Health approach



COUNTRY:  
**KENYA**



## PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

The project aims to 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 23-December 25

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Ministry of Agriculture Livestock Fisheries and Irrigation, Makueni Country

### BUDGET:

€ 2.000.000,00

# 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 23-February 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 800.000,00

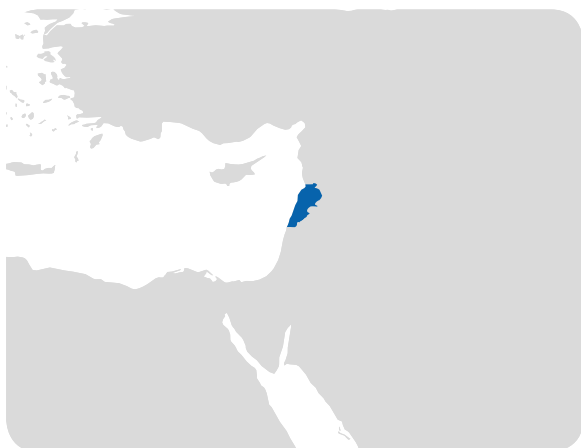




# SEED LEBANON

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:

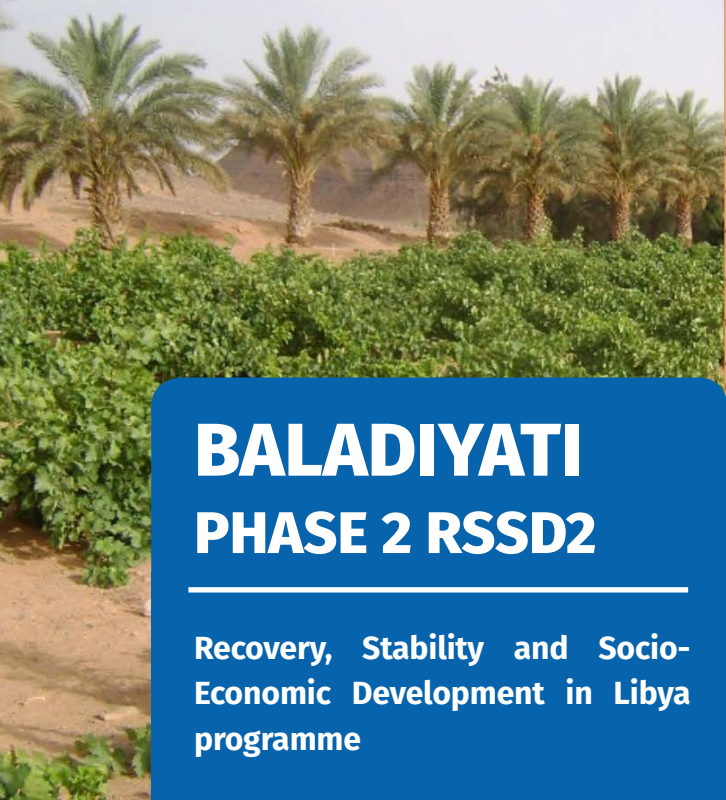
September 23-February 25

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

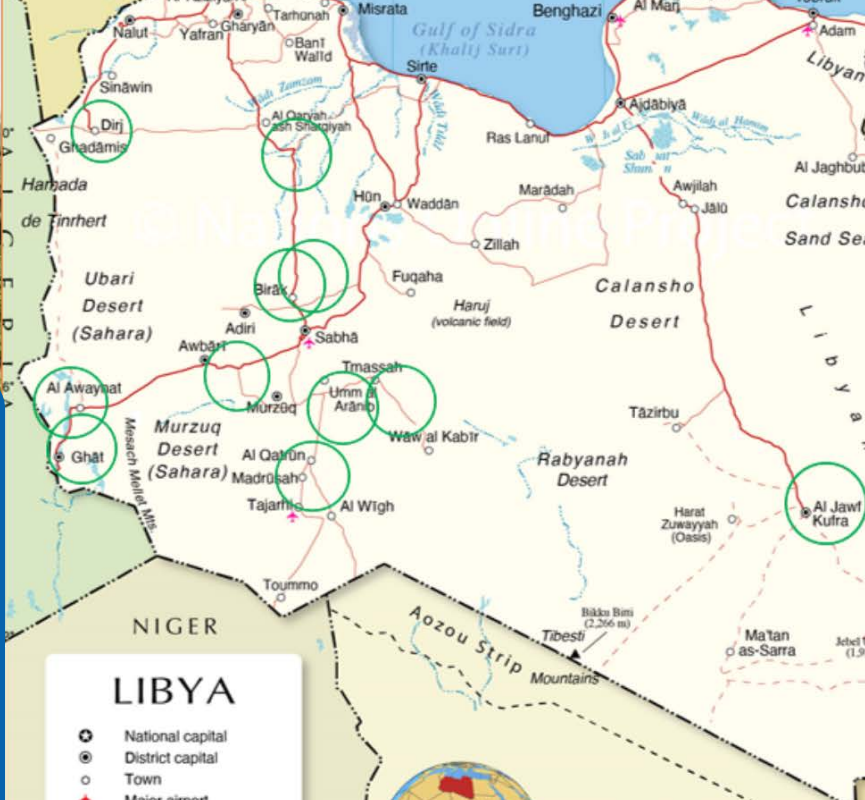
### BUDGET:

€ 1.000.000,00



# BALADIYATI PHASE 2 RSSD2

Recovery, Stability and Socio-Economic Development in Libya programme

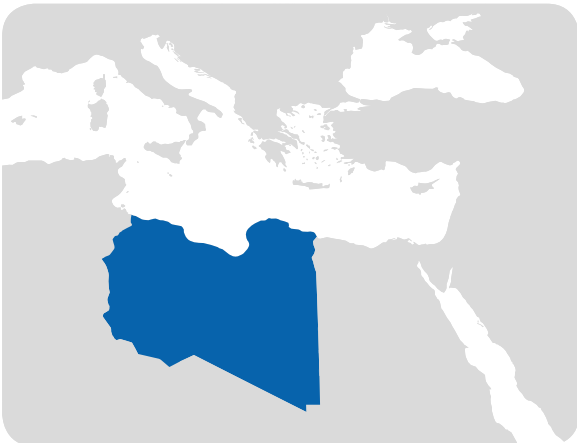


## PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

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.

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BALADIYATI

COUNTRY:  
**LIBYA**



### FUNDING:

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

### START / END:

March 22-February 25

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 3.350.000,00



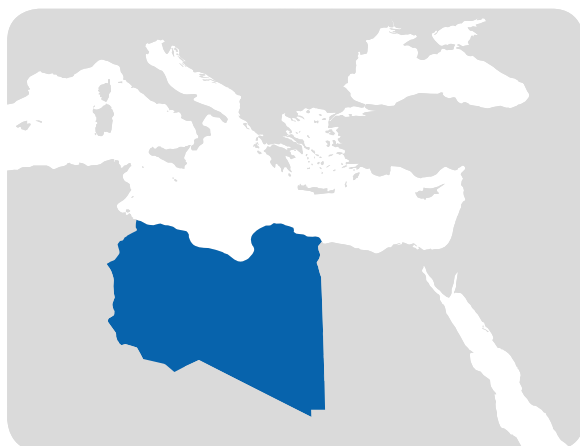


# EFEF PLUS

Enhancing Farmer Entrepreneurship  
in the Municipalities of Sebha,  
Murzuq, Ubari and Ghat



COUNTRY:  
**LIBYA**



## PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

The project aims at supporting local administrations in their efforts to promote economic recovery in the Municipalities of Sebha, Murzuq, Ubari and Ghat by contributing to enhanced citizens' access to quality services. To this end, the project will support local farmer entrepreneurship by enhancing efficiency and innovation in farming operations through improved access to modern and efficient agricultural machinery for various high value crops as well as training on their proper use and maintenance.

Moreover, with a view of assisting local agricultural entrepreneurs in achieving higher quantitative and qualitative

standards of local productions, the capacity of the laboratories of the Environmental Office of the Municipality of Sebha will be enhanced to improve physical-chemical analysis of water and soil.

### FUNDING:

Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and  
International Cooperation (MAECI DGIT)

### START / END:

January 23-June 25

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Ministry of Local Government (MoLG)

### BUDGET:

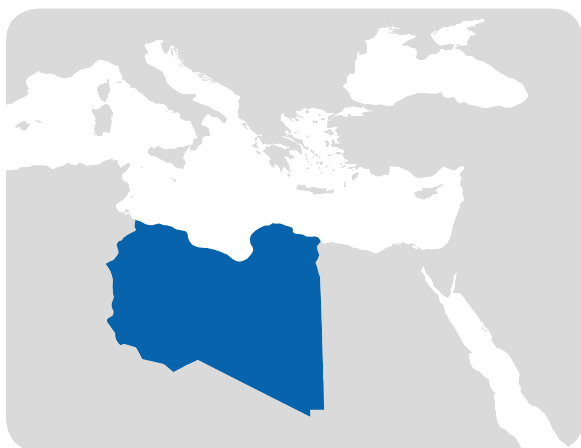
€ 5.000.000,00

# 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:

July 20-February 25

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 3.500.000,00

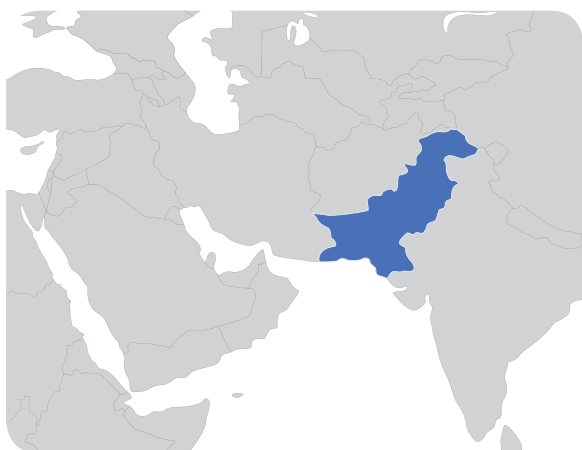


# OLIVECULTURE

**Holistic and Multiprofessional  
Scheme for establishing a  
Pakistani OliveCulture Value Chain**



**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 22-November 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 3.500.000,00

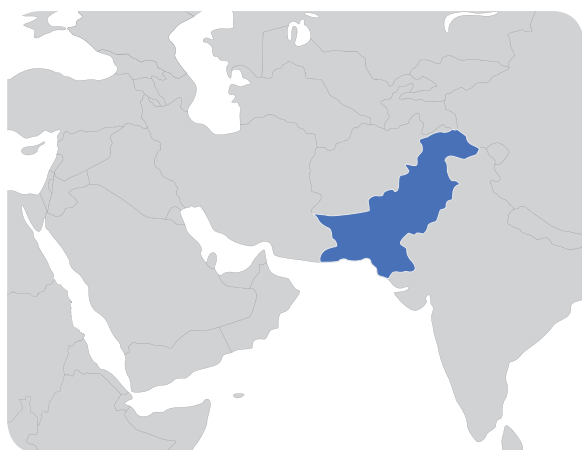




# OLIVECULTURE SCALE-UP

Scaling Up OliveCulture Value Chain and Promoting Climate-Resilient Rural Development in Pakistan

COUNTRY:  
**PAKISTAN**



## PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

The Project represents a pivotal step towards optimizing every facet of the Olive Value Chain along the path of self-sufficiency and decreasing the Pakistani national public spending on edible oils through the full involvement of the private sector. The initiative encompasses a diverse range of new activities, spanning from advocating for policy recognition, forging strategic public and private partnerships, introduction of nursery certification programs, implementing climate mitigation strategies and technical climate specific trainings, enhancing the SOPs (standard operating procedures) on food safety and quality of olive produces for developing the branding and commercialization, under the overall guiding principle of sustainable improvement of the Olive Value Chain.

### FUNDING:

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

### START / END:

July 24-November 27

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Pakistan Oilseed Department (POD); Ministry of National Food Security and Research MNFS&R Pakistan

### BUDGET:

€ 3.000.000,00

# 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 in Area C with a special focus on youth and women. Stopping the widening of social disparities and territorial disintegration in area C is indeed the prerequisite for the creation of a conducive environment for the stability and thus sustainable development of the area and country as a whole. In this scenario, the enhancement of the existing farmers' groups and organizations networks, as aforementioned, 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 23-May 26

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Ministry of Agriculture (MoA)

### BUDGET:

€ 3.400.000,00

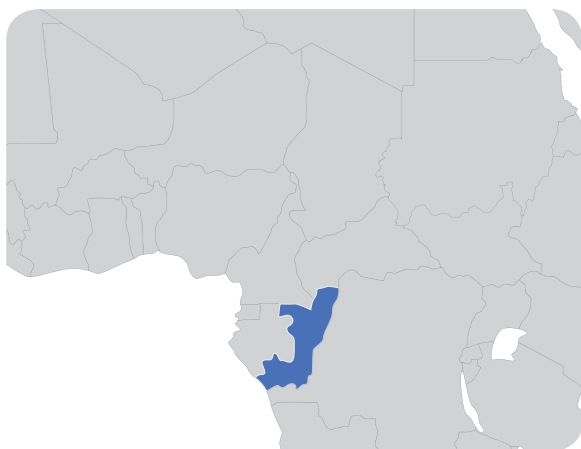




# Food Urban policies

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 applies 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:

DGMO MAECI - Direzione Generale per la mondializzazione e le questioni globali

### START / END:

December 23-April 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Brazzaville Local Municipality

### BUDGET:

€ 100.000,00



# MIPRO SUD

Enhancing food production in Sudan through supporting



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

### START / END:

To be updated

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Water Research Centre, University of Khartoum

### BUDGET:

€ 5.400.000,00

# RALNES

**Strengthening local Administrations  
in North East Syria to support rural  
communities**



**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 23-December 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 4.000.000,00



# BIOTERRITOIRES

Integrated action to carry out pre feasibility and support for the establishment of 5 Pilot Bio Territories in Tunisia



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 22-May 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 1.000.000,00

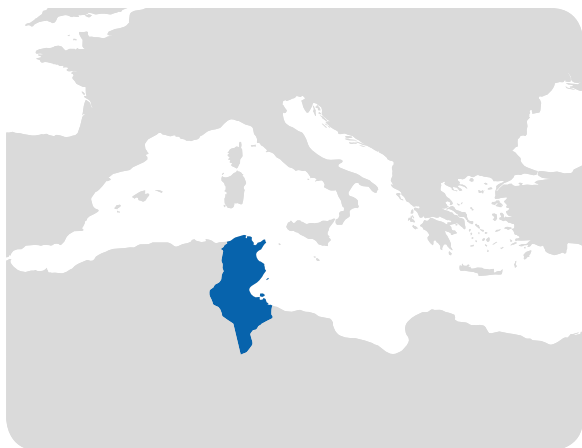


# TANIT

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 24-December 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 1.600.000,00



# MEDIET

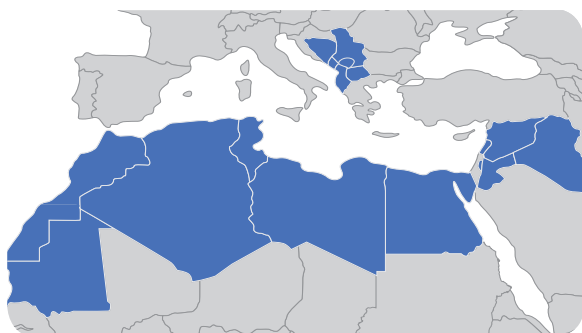
**Building Resilient and Sustainable  
Food Systems in the Mediterranean  
Area**



BUILD SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT FOOD  
SYSTEMS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA

## COUNTRIES:

**17 COUNTRIES IN THE  
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:

December 22-January 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Institutions of the 17 target countries

### BUDGET:

€ 1.500.000,00





# 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:

DGUE - Directorate General for Europe and International Trade Policy

## START / END:

December 23 - July 24

## BUDGET:

€ 60.000,00

## 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



# 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 23 - August 25

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

### BUDGET:

€ 1.100.000,00

# STARTUP 10

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



## COUNTRIES:

**ALBANIA, ALGERIA, BOSNIA,  
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 23 - September 25

## LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

**Bosnia-Herzegovina:** LINK Entrepreneurial Centre;  
**Uganda:** East Africa Entrepreneurs Association;  
**Bosnia-Herzegovina:** Center for Economic and Rural Development; **Tunisia:** Agence de promotion des Investissements Agricoles.

## BUDGET:

€ 2.200.000,00



# SUSTLIVES

**SUS**taining and improving local crop patrimony in Burkina Faso and Niger for better **LIVES** and ecosystems



**COUNTRY:**  
**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  
Italian Agency for Development Cooperation  
EU - DG INTPA

### START / END:

August 21 - July 25

### 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:

€ 6.000.000,00



# 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 22 - June 25

### BUDGET:

€ 6.196.210,00

### 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)

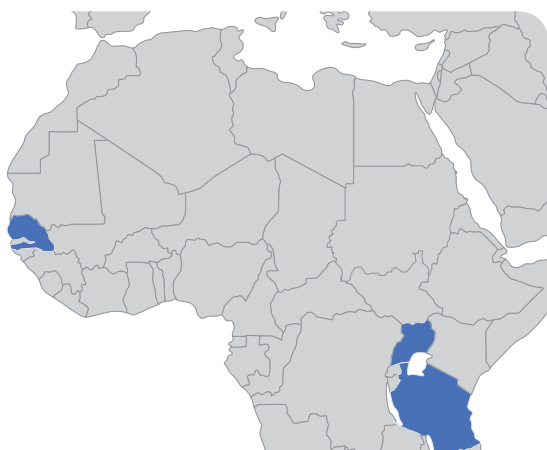
# FISH

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

## FUNDING:

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

## START / END:

December 22 - November 25

## LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

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

## BUDGET:

€ 250.000,00



# BLUE AND GREEN

**Boosting Local authorities' Understanding of coastal Economy & Growing Regenerative Enterprises in the Ecosystem Network in Dakar and Kampala**



Boosting Local authorities' Understanding of coastal Economy & Growing Regenerative Enterprises in the Ecosystem Networks in Dakar and Kampala



**COUNTRY:**  
**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 22-January 24

### LOCAL COUNTERPARTS:

Dakar and Kampala municipalities

### BUDGET:

€ 150.000,00













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