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Higher Education on Food Security and Rural Development



Joint Declaration of the Paris Summit for the Mediterranean (Paris, 13th July 2008)

"The future of the Euro-Mediterranean region lies in improved socio-economic development, solidarity, regional integration, sustainable development and knowledge. <u>There</u> is a need to increase co-operation in areas such as [...] <u>agriculture, food safety and security</u> [...].

In addition, they stress the importance of strengthening food security, especially taking into account the consequences of <u>climate change on food crops within the context of</u> <u>sustainable development policies</u>".

The International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM)





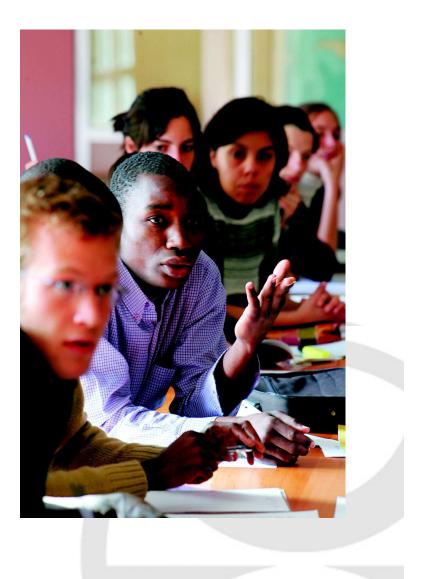
Founded fifty years ago at the joint initiative of the OECD and the Council of Europe, CIHEAM aims to <u>develop cooperation</u> <u>between Mediterranean countries through postgraduate training</u> <u>and promotion of cooperative research in the field of agriculture</u> <u>and natural resources</u>.

Two kinds of CIHEAM's post-graduate training pogrammes:



- I. 22 Master of Science Degree (MSc)
- II. Advanced short-duration specialised courses for professionals

More than 25.000 students and professionals from 150 countries have been enrolled in the courses (82% from UfM countries).



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This two-year project will improve CIHEAM's on-going postgraduate training pogrammes through the *implementation* of five specific and complementary actions. 7

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- I. Improving Entrepreneurship (Employability) and Gender Issues
- II. Implementing a Mediterranean Doctoral Platform
- III. Developing E-learning
- IV. Enhancing Quality Assurance Systems
- V. Strengthening Degree Recognition and Internationalization of MSc Degrees

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Certain funds will be allocated to students from Southern and Eastern Mediterranean countries applying for scholarships.



COST

Total cost of the project: <u>1.200.000 €</u>

- I. 70% contributed by CIHEAM
- II. 30% to be fundraised once the UfM label is secured



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