



WEBINAR SERIES

Science Diplomacy and Sustainable Development in the Mediterranean Region

Outline of Webinars' agendas

Webinar 1: “Scientific Cooperation for Sustainable Regional Development”

12 December 2022

(all times CET)

09.15 – 09.30 **Registration**, logging in

09.30 – 09.40 **Welcome and Opening words**

Alvaro Albacete, Deputy Secretary General for Higher Education and Research, The Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)

Abdelhamid El-Zoheiry, President, The Euro-Mediterranean University (EMUNI)

09.40 – 10.00 **Keynote Speeches**

HRH **Princess Sumaya Bint Al-Hassan**, President, The Royal Scientific Society Jordan (TBC)

Maria Cristina Russo, Director of Global Approach and International Cooperation, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission

10.00 – 10.10 **R&I in the Mediterranean and the Role of the UfM**

Giuseppe Provenzano, Project Manager, Higher Education & Research Division, UfM

10.10 – 10.20 **Science and Innovation Diplomacy in the Mediterranean**

Alicia Pérez-Porro, Scientific Coordinator, CREA, Spain (TBC)

10.20 – 11.10 Key areas in the context of the **UfM R&I Agenda/Roadmap**

Moderated by **Heba Gaber**, Science Counsellor at EU Delegation to

Egypt

Health – Sonia Abdelhak, Senior Biologist, Institut Pasteur, Tunisia (TBC)

Climate change – Mohamed Behnassi, Senior Environmentalist at the Economic, Social and Environmental Council (CESE), Morocco

Renewable Energy – Sara Rainieri, Professor, Department of Engineering and Architecture, University of Parma, Italy (TBC)

11.10 – 11.30 Q&A



11.30 – 12.00

Countries perspectives on regional opportunities and challenges

Discussion moderated by **Mounir Ghribi**, Director, International Cooperation and Research Promotion, National Institute of Oceanography and Applied Geophysics (OGS), Italy

12.00 – 12.30

Wrap up and conclusions

Abdelhamid El-Zoheiry, President, EMUNI

Alvaro Albacete, Deputy Secretary General, UfM