LIST OF FOUNDER MEMBERS

Albania: Ministry of Agriculture
Algeria: Ministry of Agriculture
Egypt: Agricultural Research Center (ARC)
        Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation
Jordan: Ministry of Agriculture
Lebanon: National Center for Scientific Research National (CNRS)
Morocco: Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries
Palestine: National Agriculture Research Center (NARC)
        Ministry of Agriculture
Tunisia: IRESA - Ministry of Agriculture Water Resources and Fisheries
        SWG RRD - Regional Rural Development Standing Working Group in South Eastern Europe

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The Mediterranean Innovation Partnership Network (MIP) for youth entrepreneurship and technology transfer in the agro-food sector aims at promoting innovation in agrofood and favouring sharing, cogeneration and knowledge transfer for entrepreneurship creation and innovation.

Established in 2016 and coordinated by CIHEAM Bari, it is the first Mediterranean Network for youth entrepreneurship and technology transfer in agrofood among the following Mediterranean countries: Albania, Algeria, Jordan, Palestine, Morocco, Egypt, Lebanon, Tunisia, and the International Intergovernmental Organization Standing Working Group in South Eastern Europe (SWG).

MIP intends to open the present partnership to other countries and new organizations (public and private) from the Euro-Mediterranean region, including also Innovation Support Organizations (ISO) and SME Clusters.

**OBJECTIVE**

It aims to create the Mediterranean innovation ecosystem, enhancing the collaboration among public institutions and Innovation Support Organizations (ISO) to support the creation and innovation of young agrofood enterprises through the share and transfer of knowledge, capacity building and cooperation.

**ACTIVITIES**

1. **Creation of the Mediterranean innovation Ecosystem**
   - Enlargement to public and private organizations
   - Distributed Euro-Med innovation Hubs
   - Annual MIP meeting & local thematic workshops
   - Policy paper on youth entrepreneurship and technology transfer in agrofood
   - Annual Report on the main trends of the Mediterranean innovation ecosystem

2. **Capacity building**
   - Support for development processes of country regulatory frameworks
   - Regional training for ISO managers
   - Training for young innovators at regional and local level
   - e-Educational Tool kit/pack

3. **Reinforce the dialogue between innovation chain actors at local and international level**
   - Organization of regional MED EIP (European Innovation Partnership - EIP Model)
   - Thematic focus groups and innovation operational groups

4. **Tools for sharing and transfer knowledge**
   - Collaborative platform (mip.iamb.it)
   - Stakeholders e-forum
   - Observatory on Mediterranean innovation ecosystem

5. **Cooperation actions**
   - Opportunities for collaborations at Mediterranean scale in favour of youth entrepreneurship
   - Co-design and implementation of initiatives/practices for the creation and innovation of enterprises

**CAPACITY BUILDING**

- Empower institutions & Innovation Support Organizations (ISO) at local and regional levels
- Enhance the growth of youth entrepreneurship culture, the creation and innovation of enterprise

**SHARING KNOWLEDGE**

- Enhance the development of methods, tools and practices for sharing, cogeneration and cooperation

**COOPERATION**

- Develop initiatives/practices in favour of youth entrepreneurship & innovation