



# ARIMNet2

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# ARIMNet2 and beyond...

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# ARIMNet – ARIMNet2

## ERA-Nets funded by the EU:

- ARIMNet (2008-2012)
  - ARIMNet2 (2014-2017)
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- Network of Funding Agencies and Agricultural Research Organisations
  - Mediterranean countries from the EU (France, Italy, Spain, Greece, Portugal, Cyprus + Malta, Slovenia, Croatia) and from South and East of the Mediterranean (Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt, Turkey, Israel)
  - Objective: to improve the coordination of Agricultural Research Programmes in the Mediterranean Area



# ARIMNet (2008-2011)

## Rationale

- Mediterranean agricultures are facing huge challenges, but research capacities are fragmented and scattered all around the Med.
- In previous European Research programmes, Southern Med countries were not included in the definition of priorities: we need to include them.

## Actions and Results

- Set up the research priorities and actions to be implemented to promote transnational research projects
- Launching a Joint Call for Research Proposals, co-funded by 11 countries
- Experience of collaboration among funding agencies, trust and willingness to continue



# ARIMNet2 (2014-2017)

## Objective

- To continue and to deepen ARIMNet Actions, for better addressing Mediterranean agriculture challenges
- **Actions**
- Defining priorities and a common agenda → Integrated Strategic Research Agenda (ISRA)
- Joint calls to support more research projects applied to Mediterranean agriculture challenges → 2015 and 2016 Calls for Research Proposals
- Actions to boost research and innovation in the Med Area → Young Researchers Seminars
- A reflexion on how to improve the links between research and innovation → this AKIS conference

# ARIMNet and...beyond

## PRIMA: Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Med Area

- Long term and ambitious programme for supporting research in the Mediterranean Area
- Water Resources and Food Systems
- Financial commitments of 15 countries; for 10 years a total of 220 million euros
- The European Commission made a positive impact assessment and is preparing a legislative Act to implement an art. 185 initiative, allowing a EC contribution up to 220 million euros

# ARIMNet and...beyond

## PRIMA: Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Med Area

- Will start in 2018
- Will develop Mediterranean transnational activities in Research Innovation based on co-decision and co-funding among participant countries (North, South and East of the Mediterranean)
- PRIMA Strategic Agenda will be built in the next months
- The outcomes of our ARIMNet2 AKIS Conference will come at the right moment!

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