

MEDLAND 2020

INITIAL SEMINAR PROGRAM

Main outputs and synergies to enhance a common scheme of integrated land management in the Mediterranean basin

SOLSONA November 6 – 8th 2013

1. General background

- Mediterranean context has some specific particularities which make necessary a specific approach for natural resources conservation under EU and international strategies and programs.
- Building up a common discourse - including the southern countries - on the challenges and opportunities of Mediterranean natural resources management can enhance the necessary cross-sectorality of the integrated policies and the synergies and cooperation between regions and countries.
- Especially in the context of the global change, where the effects of climate change and the on going changes in the land use offer a high level of uncertainty, the lessons learned approach sharing experiences and know-how - including the southern countries - can improve the capitalisation process and the results transferability of MED projects results.

2. MEDLAND2020 Project

MEDLAND2020 is one of the thirteen MED Capitalisation Projects that has been selected in the First Call for Capitalisation Projects of the MED Programme (<http://www.programmemed.eu/>).

MEDLAND2020 project's **main objective** is to promote international cooperation towards a common integrated land management scheme to protect natural resources in synergy with social and economical valorisation in the Mediterranean, through the sharing, mainstreaming and transfer of accomplished products towards local, regional and national public policies, and also at Pan-Mediterranean and European level.

Its **specific objectives** are:

- 1.- Create synergies among projects and partners and build up a "network of networks" in the Mediterranean, in order to reinforce the capacities of the strategic projects to disseminate and transfer their results and expertise.
- 2.- Develop synergies between operational tools, models and good practices implemented by different projects on Mediterranean natural resources, in order to enlarge the transferring capacity of the outputs of the associated projects.
- 3.- Develop a lobby for the protection and valorisation of Mediterranean natural resources towards national, European and Pan-Mediterranean institutions, increasing the impact of territorial cooperation towards mainstream regional operational policies.
- 4.- Identify challenges and gaps for a Common integral land management scheme to protect natural resources in the Mediterranean basin, in the context of Europe 2020 and the new MED programme.
- 5.- Contribute to the elaboration and the promotion of a shared vision by Mediterranean peoples about their woodlands.

Some **expected results** of the project are:

- i) Enlarge territorial impact of well-defined tools and good practices towards sustainable management and valorisation of natural resources in Mediterranean basin.
- ii) Enhance a common discourse on the needs and challenges for sustainable management and valorisation of natural resources in Mediterranean basin.
- iii) Mainstreaming MED project results into regional/national policies/institutional frame around sustainable management and valorisation of natural resources in Mediterranean basin.

3. Objective of the Initial Seminar

The MEDLAND2020 capitalisation process will include: the identification of the best case experiences and expert resources to enhance the transferability of MED Project results, and: the definition of a common scheme identifying the main challenges and opportunities for the conservation of the natural resources in synergy with social and economical valorisation.

The definition of a common scheme will be done in a structured way. For each main topic several cross-sectoral components will be answered from the experience of MED projects integrating the external end-users vision, demands and experience in a shared constructive discussion.

Main topics	Cross-sectoral components
Integrated management of natural protected areas Natural risks management, especially wildfires Social and economic valorisation of the territory as rural development, sustainable tourism or marketing Smart natural resources management, from emerging uses as biomass to new challenges as environmental services payment	Governance and participation improvement Operational and R+D priorities Target group focused Communication needs Financial needs and opportunities <i>Current situation / 2020 horizon / MED project contribution</i>

The capitalisation process will be done through several consequent actions during the project, starting with the Initial Seminar, where MED project partners, external actors and end-users will be involved from the beginning.

4. Preliminary Program

Wednesday, 6 th November 2013	
09:00 – 09:30	Welcome to the initial common seminar MEDLAND2020 Mr. David Solano. Head of International Cooperation. CTFC Mr. Eduard Plana. MEDLAND2020 Project Coordinator. CTFC
BLOC I: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEDITERRANEAN NATURAL RESOURCES SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION	
09:30 – 10:00	The State of Mediterranean Forest and the Strategic Framework of Mediterranean Forest Mr. Christophe Besacier. Forestry Department, FAO
10:00 - 10:30	Horizon 2020, synergies with a capitalisation process Mr. Andrés Montero. Coordinator. European Projects Office at INIA
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:00 – 11:30	Keynote lecture 1: Overview on integral management of natural protected areas Mr. Marcos Valderrabano. Head of Ecosystems Program, IUCN MED
11:30 – 12:00	KL 2: Overview on natural risks management, especially wildfires Mr. Marc Castellnou. Forest Fires Service, Generalitat de Catalunya & Pau Costa Foundation
12:00 – 12:30	KL 3: Overview on social and economic valorisation of the territory as rural development, sustainable tourism or marketing

	Mr. José Ángel García Lucas. Transnational Cooperation Head GAL Agri Jiloca Gallocanta
12:30 – 13:00	KL 4: Overview on smart natural resources management, from emerging uses as biomass to new challenges as environmental services payment Mr. Inazio Martínez de Arano. Director of EFIMED
13:00 - 13:30	Open discussion
13:30 – 15:30	<i>Lunch</i>
15:30 - 16:00	Initiatives of EC towards enhancing information and management of natural resources in the Mediterranean Mr. Jesús San Miguel. Joint Research Centre
16:00 - 17:00	How to deal with Mediterranean resources conservation and management? A dialogue with stakeholders Representatives of the Panel of Experts of MEDLAND2020 and invited stakeholders
BLOC II: TOWARDS A COMMON SCHEME OF INTEGRATED LAND MANAGEMENT IN THE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN	
17:00 – 17:30	Introduction to the Parallel sessions. Constitutions of the groups and functioning of the parallel sessions following the four thematic axis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated management of natural protected areas • Natural risks management, especially wildfires • Social and economic valorisation of the territory as rural development, sustainable tourism or marketing • Smart natural resources management, from emerging uses as biomass to new challenges as environmental services payment
17:30	<i>Optional visit to CTFC and the biomass heating</i>
20:30	<i>Social dinner in Solsona</i>
Thursday, 7th November 2013	
9:00 – 9:30	Summary of the previous sessions
9:30 – 11:00	Parallel session 1. Defining a first draft of the common scheme
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:30 – 13:30	Parallel session 2. Defining a first draft of the common scheme and preliminary conclusions
13:30 – 15:30	<i>Lunch</i>
BLOC III: CONCLUSIONS AND FINAL REMARKS	
15:30 – 17:00	Presentation of the conclusions of the working groups & Common discussion <i>Moderator: Mr. Miguel Segur.</i> Head, International Cooperation Department, CESEFOR
17:00 – 17:30	Final remarks of the on going capitalization process
19:30	<i>Optional visit to Solsona old town</i>

Friday, 8th November 2013

8:30 – 13:30	Field trip: Multifunctional forest management and conservation: Operational tools for sustainable management and valorisation of Mediterranean forest resources
13:30 – 15:30	<i>Lunch</i>
15:30	Departure to Solsona / Barcelona

5. Technical secretariat

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