



Sustainable development of coastal areas and fisheries in the Mediterranean

CIHEAM 60TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT



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INTRODUCTION

Many inland rural areas have decreasing populations whilst coastal areas are undergoing intense processes of demographic and economic growth. Together with other activities such as tourism, maritime traffic and oil and gas extraction, the pressure on natural marine resources and on the coastal landscape is ever increasing and is a common cause for concern.

Fishing in the Mediterranean has traditionally provided jobs and income in the coastal areas however, there has been a gradual decline in fishing activity in recent decades. In the light of this situation, the countries of the Mediterranean are acutely aware of the urgent need for concerted action in order to respond to the deterioration in coastal areas and natural resources.

Since its creation in 1962, CIHEAM has worked in collaboration with the international and regional organizations of the Mediterranean and with national institutions of CIHEAM member countries, to provide them with support to face challenges in the fields of agriculture, food and natural resources. CIHEAM Zaragoza, since its creation in 1969, has placed particular emphasis on the sector of fisheries, aquaculture and coastal resource management. Recently, CIHEAM has created a Corporate Working Group on Coastal Zone and Fisheries Management to support the joint work conducted between the four Institutes on this matter.

This special workshop aims to celebrate CIHEAM's 60th anniversary by presenting the work that our Institution is carrying out on Coastal Zone and Fisheries Management in the Mediterranean and enhance debate between stakeholders. The purpose of the workshop is to identify current challenges, analyse various sustainable development strategies, propose actions and solutions, reinforce institutional synergies and promote cooperation between the Member States



PROGRAMME

8:30 - 9:00: Registration

9:00 - 10:00: Opening session

- Andrés Perelló, Director of Casa Mediterráneo
- Raúl Compés, Director of CIHEAM Zaragoza
- Plácido Plaza, CIHEAM Secretary General
- Roger Llanes, Secretary for Agriculture and Rural Development, Regional Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development, Climate Emergency and Ecological Transition, Regional Government of Valencia
- Isabel Artime, Director General for Sustainable Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food
- Ignacio Díaz de la Guardia, Deputy-Director General for Multilateral Economic Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation

10:00 - 11:00

CIHEAM and the sustainable management of coastal zones and fisheries

Moderator: Raúl Compés, Director of CIHEAM Zaragoza

- The CIHEAM Corporate group on coastal zone management and fisheries. Objectives and activities. Vincenzo Fersino (CIHEAM)
- Results from the analysis of the priorities and needs for coastal zone management and fisheries in the Mediterranean. Ana María Sánchez and Bernardo Basurco (CIHEAM Zaragoza), Chariton Kalaitzidis (CIHEAM Chania)

11:00 - 11:30: Coffee break

11:30 - 12:30

Challenges for Mediterranean Fisheries and Strategy 2030 for Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture Development

Moderator: Chariton Kalaitzidis (CIHEAM Chania)

- Miguel Bernal, Senior Fishery Officer, General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (FAO – GFCM)
- Ernesto Penas, member of the *Fisheries Experts Group of the European Bureau of Conservation and Development*, FAO consultant and President of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT)

12:30 - 13:30

Challenges for Coastal Zones in the Mediterranean, and Higher Education and Research

Moderator: Zied Ahmed (CIHEAM Montpellier)

- Khalil Attia, Director SPA/RAC, UNEP/MAP, Tunisia: "Challenges for Sustainable Management of Coastal Zones and Marine Protected Areas in the Mediterranean"
- Álvaro Albacete Perea, Deputy Secretary General of Higher Education and Research at the Union for the Mediterranean: "Challenges and objectives of the UfM in higher education and research".

13:30 - 13:40: Presentation of CIHEAM working group meetings

Yasmine Seghirate El Guerrab (CIHEAM), Massimo Zuccaro (CIHEAM Bari)

13:40 - 15:30: Lunch

15:30 - 18:00: Parallel working group meetings

- "Women in the fisheries and aquaculture sector in the Mediterranean"
Coordination: Giulia Naborre, Chariton Kalaitzidis, Bernardo Basurco, Hanaa El Yadari and Yasmine Seghirate El Guerrab (at Casa Mediterráneo)
- "Towards a Network of Mediterranean Port Museums"
Coordination: Vincenzo Fersino, Massimo Zuccaro and Zied Ahmed (at Santa Pola Sea Museum)



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