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## The MEDLENTISK project

A Mediterranean Partnership to improve and exchange scientific and practical knowledge on lentisk tree oil.

INRGREF (Tunisia) and its 5 partners are pleased to announce the launch of MEDLENTISK project. The project takes place between September 1, 2020 and December 31, 2021. The MEDLENTISK project launch meeting took place on September 29, 2020, by video-conference.

### **Objectives**

This project, funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union, aims to promote the exchange of good practices around the Mediterranean on the little-known lentisk tree and its vegetable oil. It is still produced in a traditional way, which influences the yield and quality of the extracted product. The composition and therapeutic virtues of this oil have also been little studied, even though this shrub is found throughout the Mediterranean area and seems to have significant qualities.

### **Partnership**

In order to do so, 6 partners from the South, East and North of the Mediterranean Sea have come together to improve interest and access to scientific and practical knowledge on lentisk tree's oil:

- AIFM (France), coordinator
- University of Cagliari (Italia)
- Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania (Greece)
- National Institute for Research in Rural Engineering, Water and Forestry (Tunisia)
- Technical University of Bursa (Turkey)
- Provence Model Forest Association (France)

The partners will meet 3 times to increase their level of knowledge on mastic tree, to exchange good practices and challenges, and to discuss the problems and difficulties of this sector. Best practices will be identified; their synthesis and translation will then be summarized in easy-to-understand formats for good dissemination to all stakeholders.

The results of the exchanges will be shared during a side event to be organised at a forthcoming international meeting on Mediterranean forests.

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