



TRansition paths to sUustainable
legume-based systems in Europe

3rd Mediterranean Legume Innovation Network (LIN) Workshop:

*“How to create value using agroecology
and local markets in uncertain times?”*

Thursday 1st October 2020, 9:30 – 12:30h (GMT+2/CEST)

online video conference // combined with a meeting at
Herdade do Freixo do Meio (*for those able to travel*)



Dear participant.



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*In uncertain times due to crises like COVID19 and climate change, the 3rd Mediterranean Legume Innovation Network (M-LIN) workshop provides insights into the work of our EU-funded research project - which is running in the fourth and final year now – and invites you as legume stakeholders to **participate actively in the identification and assessment of transition paths towards more sustainably grown, processed and traded legumes.***

- *What are your innovative approaches for the Mediterranean region?*
- *Which challenges do you face in terms of production, markets and policies?*
- *How to increase the profitability of legumes?*
- *How should resilient food systems look like?*
- *How can the “EU Farm to Fork Strategy” help?*

We will showcase some TRUE Case Studies, share your experiences and discuss in small groups the role of legumes in post COVID19 food systems, the construction of (new) legume markets, legumes as renewable (N) resources in a circular biobased economy, and, policy recommendations for more sustainable legume based food and feed systems in Europe.

Legume trade fair: *You are invited to share your legume innovations and display your products around the conference online on virtual Miro white board*

Please register on the TRUE website until 20th of September at latest:
www.true-project.eu/lin-workshops/mediterranean/registration

In the interim, we wish you a wonderful summertime, and we hope at the end of this workshop you want to grow, process, sell and eat more legumes and legume products.

With kind regards,

The Organising Committee





Meeting agenda

- 09:00** **Virtual room opened for technical training and informal talks**
- 09:30** **Welcome and background to the TRUE project**
Pete Iannetta, The James Hutton Institute, project coordinator
- 09:40** **Introductory polls with all participants**
- 09:45** **Legumes in the Mediterranean Region**
Diego Rubiales, Institute for Sustainable Agriculture, CSIC
- 10:00** **Virtual Field Trips of TRUE Case Studies and other legume initiatives**
- Herdade do Freixo do Meio, Portugal
 - Solintagro, Spain
 - KEFRI, Kenya
 - Agricultural University of Athens, Greece
- 10:30** **Refreshment break**
- 10:45** **Break out groups** (phase I)
- 1) Role of legumes in post COVID19 food systems (*Facilitator: Marta Vasconcelos, UCP*)
 - 2) Constructing (new) markets for legumes (*Facilitator: Karen Hamann, IFAU*)
 - 3) Legumes as renewable (N) resources in a circular biobased economy (*Facilitator: Pete Iannetta, JHI*)
 - 4) Policy recommendations for more sustainable legume based food and feed systems (*Facilitator: Balint Balazs, ESSRG*)
- 11:30** **Presentation of discussion outcomes and identified transition paths**
Rapporteurs
- 11:45** **Voting on most important results and transition paths**
All participants
- 11:50** **Legume trade fair: Showcasing Legume Innovations and Products**
All participants, registration required
- 12:20** **Conclusions**
N.N.
- 12:30** **End of the virtual workshop, to be continued at HFM**





General Information

Registration

The admission to the workshop is free of charge. Please note that participants are expected to cover all personal expenses for travel and accommodation.

Please register [here](#) before September the 20th if you are interested in the M-LIN Workshop:

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Meeting Locations

- The workshop will be held online; access links will be provided to registered participants ahead of the workshop.
- If COVID19 restrictions allow travelling, the online workshop will be combined for those able to travel with a meeting on Herdade Freixo do Meio, Portugal.

Further info & Accommodation

For further information regarding the workshop location (*incl. accommodation opportunities*), please contact:

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For those unable to participate:

You are invited to fill in the [Stakeholder-Survey](#)

