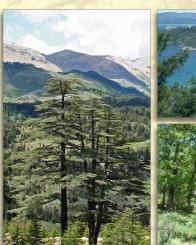
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Enhancing FOrest RESearch in the MediTERRAnean through improved coordination and integration



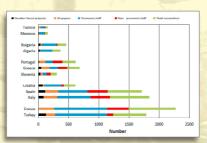






Results

1. Mapping forest research in the Mediterranean





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Strategic aim

FORESTERRA's strategic aim is to reinforce the scientific coordination and integration of Mediterranean programmes in forest research as well as the scientific cooperation with countries of the Mediterranean area and with countries from other Mediterranean climate areas.

Concept

The concept of FORESTERRA is based on four steps:

- Mapping and information exchange to improve mutual knowledge of existing programmes and capacities.
- Defining common strategic activities to reduce the fragmentation of the research community, avoiding overlaps and promoting synergies.
- Implementation of joint activities to consolidate partnerships and develop common schemes for programme evaluation, as well as for mutual opening of facilities
- Calls for joint research projects to maximise the research impact of the

In addition, a targeted action will focus on "upscaling" these four steps at a global Mediterranean level.



2. Databases



3. FORESTERRA Call

FORESTERRA Transnational Call for Joint Collaborative Projects and Networking Action proposals on "Mediterranean-scale approach to study global change drivers, impacts & indicators on forest ecosystems and to foster forest system resilience through managing

Three Network Actions and four Research projects submitted. One Research Project (Informed) and one Networking Action (MedWildFireLab) funded

4. The establishment of international cooperation activities and search for with common interests other Mediterranean climate areas: Australia and California.



5. Dissemination events

FORESTERRA Dissemination Workshop (Sofia, May 2014)

FORESTERRA Final Conference (Lisbon, 24-26 November 2015).

"Key questions for future Research on Mediterranean Forests" Registration: http://www.foresterra.eu/lisbon2015/

6. Website: www.foresterra.eu

More than 38,000 visits from the begining and more than 12,000 in the last year

Lessons learned and planned future activities

The general objective for future activities is to promote and support synergies in Mediterranean Forest Research and to maintain the dynamics generated by FORESTERRA. More specific objectives are:

- Update of the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) on Forestry
- Cofund initiative for innovative forest-based bioeconomy (ERANET COFUND)
 Propose joint activities to collaborate with the Mediterranean Partner Countries
- Develop synergies with the Water Joint Programming Initiative
- Promote interaction with other related Mediterranean initiatives: Eranet-Med; Art. 185 PRIMA.