



## CIHEAM's Secretary General & President in Zaragoza

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Mr. Mohammed Sadiki, President of the CIHEAM Governing Board and Secretary General of the Ministry of Agriculture, Maritime Fisheries, Rural Development and Forests of the Kingdom of Morocco, and Mr. Plácido Plaza, Secretary General of the CIHEAM, were present at the CIHEAM Institute of Zaragoza (Spain) from 28 to 30 April 2019 to discuss with the staff, in particular on the work plan and the objectives of the Institute for the years to come.



IAMZ, a centre of excellence and international point of reference in advanced training and cooperation is one of the four institutes, together with Bari (Italy), Montpellier (France) and Chania (Greece) that comprise the International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM), whose headquarters are in Paris. Over 15 000 young leaders of the agrifood sector in the Mediterranean and Latin America, among other countries, have received training at IAMZ over the past five decades.

IAMZ was founded in 1969 on the Campus of Aula Dei in Montañana by the Aragonese agronomist Ramón Esteruelas and has become a consolidated centre of reference in training and agriculture and international cooperation. IAMZ has delivered more than 400 advanced courses, inviting over

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1000 lecturers and experts in each topic from universities and centres of reference worldwide, and has awarded 6700 scholarships.

### Agreement with the National Institute of Field Crops of Tunisia

Besides training, the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Zaragoza promotes cooperative research networks and participates in cooperation projects. IAMZ has participated in over 40 research projects and networks and signed agreements with more than 60 national and international organisations. [The most recent agreement was signed last week in Tunis](#) with the National Institute of Field Crops of Tunisia, of the Tunisian Ministry of Agriculture, to promote joint actions in the areas of plant breeding, protected crops, water governance and irrigation.

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#### CIHEAM

Established in 1962, the International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM) is a Mediterranean intergovernmental organisation composed of 13 Member States (Albania, Algeria, Egypt, France, Greece, Italy, Lebanon, Malta, Morocco, Portugal, Spain, Tunisia and Turkey). As a key player in multilateral cooperation in the fields of agriculture, food, fisheries and rural territories, its missions revolve around four main objectives:



Protection of the planet by combating waste in all its forms including waste of knowledge and know-how;



Food and nutrition security by boosting sustainable agriculture and food;



Inclusive development by investing in new generations and fragile territories;



Prevention of crises and resilience of territories.

The CIHEAM Action Plan for the Mediterranean 2025 (**CAPMED 2025**) that falls within the Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development of the United Nations is based on these four lines. The CIHEAM carries out its missions through the tools of specialised training, network research, cooperation, technical assistance but also political dialogue and partnerships.

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