



MED-SPRING
(Mediterranean Science, Policy, Research and Innovation Gateway)

Annual Meeting of the General Assembly

10-11 February 2014

Cairo, Egypt – Venue: Marriott Hotel Zamalek
Plenary room: Aida (Amonasro & Ramfis)

Monday, 10 February

9h00 Registration

9h30 – 10h00 Welcome addresses (Coordinator, Deputy-coordinator / hosting partner, European Commission)

10h00 – 10h15 INCONET and the International Cooperation
Tomas Matraia (European Commission, DG Research and Innovation)

10h15 - 10h45 Overview of the first year activities and stocktaking of main achievements and problems encountered (*Claudio Bogliotti, CIHEAM-IAMB and Zeinab El Sadr, MHESR*).

10h45 – 11h15 Open discussion

Coffee break

11h30 – 13h30 WP activities, tasks and deliverables in the second year (WP Leaders and task responsables)

Building on 1st year achievements and problems encountered, Work Package leaders will shortly present the second year work plan, providing an overview of new tasks and deliverables and links with other WPs as planned by the DoW. WP leaders could ask task responsible to shortly present the rational tasks under their responsibility. All WP presentation should not last more than 15 minutes. Each WP presentation will be followed by 5 minutes discussion. The discussion should trigger partners confirm or express interest in contributing to the presented tasks.

Lunch

15h00 – 17h00 WP activities, tasks and deliverables in the second year (WP Leaders and task responsables)

Continuation

Coffee break

17h30 – 18h00 Financial aspects (*Marinella Giannelli, CIHEAM-IAMB*)

18h00 - 18h15 Introduction to the second day work plan

20h00 Social dinner

Tuesday, 11 February

9h00– 11h00 First round parallel working groups

Three parallel working groups are organized:

- i) EMEG, innovation and capacity building (WP1, WP2, WP5, WP7)*
- ii) AGORA and the dialogue with civil society, dissemination (WP1, WP2, WP3, WP4, WP5)*
- iii) Support to policy and institutional dialogue-synergies, observatory (WP1, WP6, WP8, WP9)*

Participants are expected to propose ideas and ways on how to increase scope and impact of project tasks foreseen in the second year, with the aim of increasing project impact.

Expected outcomes 1st round: Needs and strategic objectives. Tasks and their method, concept, timing, working groups.

Coffee break

11h30 – 13h30 Second round parallel working groups

Continuation

Expected outcomes 2nd round: building on first round, preparing a detailed GANTT of second year, determining the role / responsibility of partners, suggestions for new activities not foreseen by the DoW.

Lunch

15h30 -16h30 Plenary session

Presentation by the working groups and open discussion

Coffee break

16h30 – 17h30 Suggestions and recommendations by the External Advisory Group and discussion

17h30 Conclusions