

OBJECTIVE: ENDORSEMENT OF THE PROPOSAL FOR an Erasmus Mundus Master Degree on Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management

To whom it may concern:

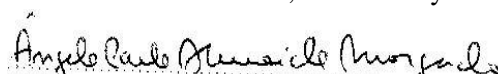
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Climate Change will affect ecosystems and societies around the Mediterranean basin in a more drastic way than in the rest of the world. Temperature is expected to increase more than the global average (especially in summer) and rainfall is expected to decrease around 20% by the end of the century. Already nowadays, 7% of the world population is located in the Mediterranean area which has access to only 3% of the world's water resources. This region is home to 60% of the global water-poor countries, which have less than 1000 m³/cap/year. Furthermore, science-based predictions estimate that by 2025 up to 63 million people in the Mediterranean countries will be in the need of water (with less than 500 [m³/cap/year). In this context, Mediterranean forest ecosystems, which are home to 25 000 plant species of which 50% are endemic, play a key role in preserving essential resources like water and soil, as well as providing multiple goods and services crucial for ensuring the sustainability and wellbeing of Mediterranean societies.

Considering that the countries of the Mediterranean basin face similar critical challenges regarding the sustainability of forest ecosystems and the important goods and services that they provide in a context of rapid global changes, it is of crucial importance that these issues are addressed by a coordinated approach to develop reliable information and tools - based on sound science and a multidisciplinary approach, in order to improve Mediterranean forestry and natural resources management and policy-making. The international Master degree on Mediterranean Forests and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR) will bring together the best expertise, human resources and facilities to educate the next generation of leaders in forestry and natural resources and public and private land management throughout the Mediterranean region. Thus, it will be influential for the successful development of that coordinated and multidisciplinary approach. The exchange of students and mutual internships possible in our and other participating institutions will be highly beneficial for the whole forest sector. MEDfOR will address FAO Silva Mediterranea concerns with knowledge gaps and fragmentation in the region and it will contribute to the implementation of the Mediterranean Forest Research Agenda (MFRA) which is part of the Strategic Research Agenda of the European Forest Based Sector Technology Platform (FTP). MEDfOR will contribute to the solution of forestry, natural resources and environmental challenges throughout the region.

The undersigned Ângela Morgado fully endorses a proposal for Erasmus Mundus Master Degree on Mediterranean Forests and Natural Resources Management to reinforce the research and education cooperation between countries of the Mediterranean area, including EU and now-EU member states, in order to maximize its support to sustainable development, notably, management of forest resources and adaptation to threats resulting from global change. From its side, WWF is willing to consider for its offices in the Mediterranean region internships of advanced Master students.

Lisbon, 5th February 2020



(Angela Morgado, Executive Director, ANP|WWF)

Mediterranean Model Forest Network Secretariat

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The undersigned Antonio Ventre in behalf of Mediterranean Model Forest Network Secretariat fully endorses a proposal for Erasmus Mundus Master Degree on Mediterranean Forests and Natural Resources Management to reinforce the research and education cooperation between countries of the Mediterranean area, including EU and now-EU member states, in order to maximize its support to sustainable development, notably, management of forest resources and adaptation to threats resulting from global change. From its side, MMNF Mediterranean Model Forest Network is willing to consider for its offices in the Mediterranean region internships of advanced Master students.

Firenze January 24th 2020

Antonio Ventre
MMFN Secretariat Coordinator



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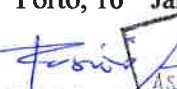
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The undersigned Rosário Alves, Executive Director of Forestis – Associação Florestal de Portugal, fully endorses a proposal for Erasmus Mundus Master Degree on Mediterranean Forests and Natural Resources Management to reinforce the research and education cooperation between countries of the Mediterranean area, including EU and now-EU member states, in order to maximize its support to sustainable development, notably, management of forest resources and adaptation to threats resulting from global change. From its side, Forestis is willing to consider for its offices in the Mediterranean region internships of advanced Master students.

Porto, 16th January 2020


Rosário Alves
Executive Director



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The undersigned, Anaïs Loudières, fully endorses a proposal for Erasmus Mundus Master Degree on Mediterranean Forests and Natural Resources Management to reinforce the research and education cooperation between countries of the Mediterranean area, including EU and now-EU member states, in order to maximize its support to sustainable development, notably, management of forest resources and adaptation to threats resulting from global change. From its side, AIFM is willing to consider for its offices in the Mediterranean region internships of advanced Master students.



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Anaïs Loudières

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The undersigned Nicolas PICARD fully endorses a proposal for Erasmus Mundus Master Degree on Mediterranean Forests and Natural Resources Management to reinforce the research and education cooperation between countries of the Mediterranean area, including EU and now-EU member states, in order to maximize its support to sustainable development, notably, management of forest resources and adaptation to threats resulting from global change. From its side, FAO is willing to consider for its offices in the Mediterranean region internships of advanced Master students.

Nicolas Picard



Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

The project proposal is coordinated by the University of Lisbon, Portugal - School of Agriculture, and includes as partners the following universities: University of Lleida, Spain, University of Valladolid, Spain, Karadeniz Technical University, Turkey, University of Tuscia, Italy, University of Padova, Italy and Portuguese Catholic University, Portugal.

By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the Castilla y León Wood & Forest Services Center. Cesefor Foundation is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Director I delegate Riccardo Castellini as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Director

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Le Président

Avignon, le 22 janvier 2020

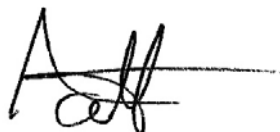
Endorsement Letter

Objective : Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of French national research institute for agriculture, food & environment, research unit Ecology of Mediterranean Forest (INRAE-URFM) as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme « Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management ».

The project proposal is coordinated by the University of Lisbon, Portugal – School of Agriculture, and includes as partners the following universities : University of Lleida, Spain, University of Valladolid, Spain, Karadeniz Technical University, Turkey, University of Tuscia, Italy, University of Padova, Italy and Portuguese Catholic University, Portugal.

By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the INRAE-URFM is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of President of INRAE PACA, I delegate François Lefèvre as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture – University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project without any financial or juridical actions in my name.



Jean-Philippe NABOT
Président du centre INRAE PACA

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Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of Slovenian Forestry Institute as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the Slovenian Forestry Institute is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position director I delegate prof. dr. Hojka Kraigher as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Doc. Dr. Primož Simončič,

Ljubljana, 5.2.2020

Director

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Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter, we confirm the participation of the **National Research Institute of Rural Engineering, Water and Forestry** as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

The project proposal is coordinated by the University of Lisbon, Portugal - School of Agriculture, and includes as partners the following universities: University of Lleida, Spain, University of Valladolid, Spain, Karadeniz Technical University, Turkey, University of Tuscia, Italy, University of Padova, Italy and Portuguese Catholic University, Portugal.

By signing this declaration, I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the National Research Institute of Rural Engineering, Water and Forestry is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of General Director, I delegate **Dr. Ibtissem Taghouti** as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Prof. Zouheir Nasr
General Director
National Research Institute
of Rural Engineering, Water and Forestry

Le directeur Général de
l'Institut National de Recherches
en Génie Rural, Eaux et Forêts
Signature: Zouhaier NASR



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Direction de l'Enseignement, de la Formation et de la Recherche

École Nationale Forestière d'Ingénieurs

N° 107

Endorsement letter

16 JAN 2020

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By this letter we confirm the participation of **National Forestry School of Engineers (Ecole Nationale Forestière d'Ingénieurs ENFI)** as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration, I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the **National Forestry School of Engineers** is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Director of ENFI, I delegate Professor Fouad MOUNIR as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Sincerely,

Salé, January, 16, 2020

Abderrahman AAFI, Ph.D

Director of the National Forestry School of Engineers

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Le Directeur de l'Ecole Nationale Forestière d'Ingénieurs

Signé : Abderrahman AAFI



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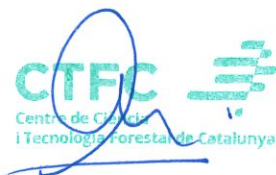
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Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of Forest Science and Technology Centre of Catalonia as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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Antonio Trasobares
Director
Forest Science and Technology Centre of Catalonia

Endorsement Letter

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By this letter we confirm the participation of University of Mascara as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the University of Mascara is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Rector of the University of Mascara, I delegate Pr. Zahira Souidi as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Person to sign

Prof. Samir Bentata, Rector of the University of Mascara.


LE RECTEUR
Professeur: BENTATA Samir



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Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the EMJMD project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration, I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Director of the Institute, I delegate Dr. Chariton Kalaitzidis as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Dr. George Baourakis
Director of CIHEAM/MAI Chania

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February 6, 2020

Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter, we confirm the participation of name of institution as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration, I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the name of institution is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Director of Forest Management Department and Coordinator for Research and Foreign Relations, I delegate Keren Kayemeth Lelsrael-Jewish National Fund (KKL-JNF) as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Best Regards,

Asaf Karavani

Director of Forest Management Department
Coordinator for Research and Foreign Relation
KKL-JNF

Endorsement Letter

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By this letter we confirm the participation of Vietnam National University of Forestry as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme “Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management”.

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By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the Vietnam National University of Forestry is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. At the president of Vietnam National University of Forestry I delegate Prof. Hoang Van Sam, the director of International cooperation department (samhv@vnuf.edu.vn) as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

The president of VNUF



Prof. Dr. Tran Van Chu



Ref. No: 1-12/2319/12
Date: 21 JAN. 2020

Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDFOR).

By this letter we confirm the participation of Ethiopian Environment and Forest Research Institute (EEFRI) as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration, I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the Ethiopian Environment and Forest Research Institute (EEFRI) is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Director General of EEFRI I delegate Dr. Wubalem Tadesse as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Best regards


Abiyot Bernanu (PhD)
Director General



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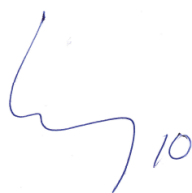
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By signing this declaration, I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the European Forest Institute – Mediterranean Facility is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Head of Mediterranean Facility, I delegate Giuseppe Tripodi as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Barcelona, 31.01.2020



Inazio Martinez de Arano,

Head of Mediterranean Facility - European Forest Institute



Patrick Worms
President

Montpellier, 20 January 2020

Endorsement Letter

Subject: *Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)*

By this letter I, the undersigned, Patrick Worms, President of EURAF, the European Agroforestry Federation, confirm the participation of EURAF as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning EURAF, is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete.

I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Patrick Worms
President
EURAF

Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of **Forest Bioengineering Solutions –FBS–** as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme “Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management”.

The project proposal is coordinated by the University of Lisbon, Portugal - School of Agriculture, and includes as partners the following universities: University of Lleida, Spain, University of Valladolid, Spain, Karadeniz Technical University, Turkey, University of Tuscia, Italy, University of Padova, Italy and Portuguese Catholic University, Portugal.

By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the **Forest Bioengineering Solutions –FBS–** is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of General Manager I delegate to Ms. Ester Blanco, Technology Transfer Responsible, as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Mr. Antoni Trasobares Rodríguez
General Manager
FBS



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Subject: Associate Partnership with MEDfOR

To: MEDfOR Secretariat

We are pleased to announce our intention to join MEDfOR Erasmus Mundus Master Course as an associated partner

ECM Environmental Engineering (ECM, PIC number 952863011) is a Technology Based Company focused on the sustainable management of mycological resources. ECM is a small medium enterprise leader in the promotion of this non wood forest product, that plays an important role (social and economic) in rural forest areas.

ECM Environment Engineering projects are focussed in 4 main areas:

Mycology: Management of mycological resources, sustainable use of wild edible mushroom resources in forest ecosystems, training and knowledge courses to consider fungi resource as alternative in rural development.

Integral forestry management of forest stands: Boosting the creation of NEW FORESTS projects, in connection with productivity of wood and non-wood Forest products in a whole way.

Environmental engineering: Development of studies and projects that promote environmental sustainability.

R+D+i: Development of research projects for sustainable management of forest resources. The main R+D+i activities are focused on mycological productivity, new mycorrhization techniques for nursery plants, fungi cultivation, marketing and healthy uses of fungi, biological stump degradation techniques, CO₂ fixation in forest ecosystems and the quantification of mitigation and adaptation processes in forest ecosystems.

In joining as an associate partner, ECM Environmental Engineering aspires to enhance its involvement in the Mediterranean forest sector and to facilitate regional cooperation. When possible we are willing to host interns and support co-supervision of dissertations, facilitate an exchange of professional and academic personal and contribute to the promotion of MEDFOR Programme.

With the best regards

Beatriz de la Parra Peral, Director ECM (parra@ecmingeneriaambiental.com)

To MEDfOR Secretariat

Padova, 28th January 2020

Subject: Endorsement of the EMJMD project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of ETIFOR S.R.L. as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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Etifor is a spin-off company at the University of Padova that provides international consulting services to help organizations grasp the full value of the products and services provided by forests and other natural resources. Etifor's team improves the economic, environmental and social benefits of policies, projects and investments through applied science, proactive innovation and good governance and works with national and international clients such as Private companies; Public administration and organizations; and NGO and no-profit organizations.

Etifor operates in the following main areas:

- *Responsible management* - applying policy and market solutions for the sustainable management of ecosystem products and services;
- *Sustainable investments* - connecting impact investors to innovative nature-based projects and start-ups;
- *Local development* - linking natural beauty and cultural landscapes using participatory and good governance approaches.

By signing this declaration, I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the ETIFOR S.R.L. is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of CEO I delegate Nicola Andrighetto as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Contact details: Nicola Andrighetto, Project manager
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With the best regards.

Dr. Alessandro Leonardi, Etifor's CEO



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Prot.N. 07-0120
Viterbo, 20/01/2020

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of TERRASYSTEM SRL as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

The project proposal is coordinated by the University of Lisbon, Portugal - School of Agriculture, and includes as partners the following universities: University of Lleida, Spain, University of Valladolid, Spain, Karadeniz Technical University, Turkey, University of Tuscia, Italy, University of Padova, Italy and Portuguese Catholic University, Portugal.

By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the TERRASYSTEM SRL is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of company Legal Representative, I delegate Dr. Roberto Bianconi as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Contact person:

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Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of University of São Paulo's ESALQ (Luiz de Queiroz College of Agriculture) as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

The project proposal is coordinated by the University of Lisbon, Portugal - School of Agriculture, and includes as partners the following universities: University of Lleida, Spain, University of Valladolid, Spain, Karadeniz Technical University, Turkey, University of Tuscia, Italy, University of Padova, Italy and Portuguese Catholic University, Portugal.

By signing this declaration, I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the University of São Paulo is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position, as Dean of University of São Paulo's ESALQ, I delegate Professor Luiz Carlos Estraviz Rodriguez as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Prof. Durval Dourado Neto

Dean

Luiz de Queiroz College of Agriculture

University of São Paulo

01/31/2020

Santiago, Chile, January 21th 2020

Professor

José G. Borges

Technical University of Lisbon (Portugal)

SUBJECT: Erasmus Mundus Master Programme MEDfOR

ISCI is a scientific research center created in 2008. It is partially funded by the Ministry for Science, Technology, Knowledge and Innovation and is comprised of fifty-one researchers from different universities and sixteen administrative staff members.

The main activities of the center are scientific research, graduate education, capacity building of young researchers, international workshops and research networks, innovative applied projects with the public and private sectors, and outreach activities for the general public, school students and teachers.

ISCI's mission is to cover the continuum from methodological research in disciplines such as Optimization, Operations Research, Data Science, Statistics, Economics, and Decision Sciences to impact areas that include Natural Resources, Energy Markets, Healthcare, Cities, Industry, and Public Policies, developing projects of high impact.

We are convinced our Institute can conduct a positive interaction with MEDFOR, participating in joint research, exchanges of students and academics, and organizing joint research meetings.

We look forward to this collaboration.

Sincerely,



Leonardo J. Basso

Director

Instituto Sistemas Complejos de Ingeniería - ISCI



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17 January 2020

To
Prof. Jose Borges
University of Lisbon

MSc Erasmus Mundus MEDFOR

Dr. Brand Wessels, Departmental Chair of the Department of Forest and Wood Science of Stellenbosch University signs this letter of intent in order to collaborate with MEDFOR as an Associated Partner.

The Department of Forest and Wood Science is perceived as the leading forestry institution in forestry education and research in Africa. It is situated at Stellenbosch University, which ranks amongst the best ranked African Universities. The University with 30 000 students is a research driven university with a strong teaching component. It is the only tertiary institution in South Africa that offers a full forestry program from the BSc up to the PhD level. Through its pivotal role the Department has a deep outreach into Africa, with long established collaborations in many African countries. The Department is also involved in several COST actions and has long standing research partnerships with several European Universities.

The Department of Forest and Wood Science is situated in the Western Cape, which is the only Mediterranean region on the African continent south of the Sahara and that shares not only climatic but also several forestry specific issues with the European Mediterranean countries. To name some fire vulnerability and management of forests, drought stress, rural interaction of agriculture and forestry, plantation forestry and sustainable land-use concepts are common interests of research.

Research wise the full forest–wood value chain is covered by the Department with climate change, precision forestry, sustainable land-use management, bio-energy and wood quality along the value chain as overarching research focus areas.

A close interaction with the MEDFOR partners would strengthen both sides and would therefore be very much in the interest of our Department. That's why we are very much looking forward to this collaboration.

Yours truly,

Dr. Brand Wessels
Head of Department: Forest and Wood Science



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27 January 2020

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter I confirm the participation of The Pennsylvania State University as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration, I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the Pennsylvania State University is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Interim Head, I delegate Dr. Marc McDill as the contact person of this Project.

Sincerely,

Dr. David Eissenstat
Interim Head and Professor



January 31, 2020

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter I confirm the participation of the University of Washington's School of Environmental & Forest Sciences as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration, I certify that, according Dr. Sándor F. Tóth, the given information in this proposal concerning the University of Washington is true and complete to the best of his knowledge. In my position of Director, I designate Dr. Tóth as the contact person of this Project.

Sincerely,

Daniel G Brown, PhD

Corkery Family Director's Endowed Chair and Professor



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Date: JAN 31 2020

Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of USDA Forest Service, PNW Research Station as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the USDA Forest Service, PNW Research Station is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Acting Station Director for PNW Research Station I delegate Dr. Keith Reynolds as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Sincerely,

PAUL D. ANDERSON
Acting Station Director

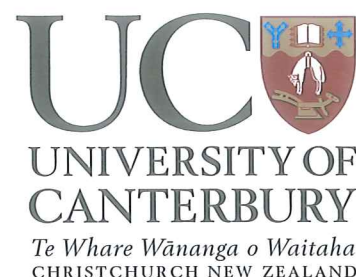


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Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of New Zealand School of Forestry, University of Canterbury as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the New Zealand School of Forestry, University of Canterbury is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Head of School I will be the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Professor Bruce Manley
Head of School
New Zealand School of Forestry
University of Canterbury
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New Zealand

Endorsement Letter

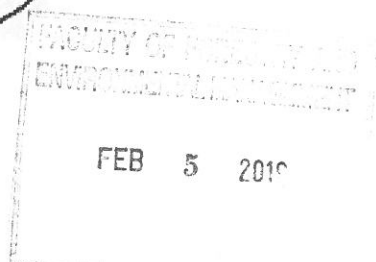
Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of the University of New Brunswick as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

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By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the University of New Brunswick is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project.

Brigitte Leblon, Ph. D.



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29 January 2020

Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of CSIRO Land and Water Australia as an Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme “Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management”.

The project proposal is coordinated by the University of Lisbon, Portugal - School of Agriculture, and includes as partners the following universities: University of Lleida, Spain, University of Valladolid, Spain, Karadeniz Technical University, Turkey, University of Tuscia, Italy, University of Padova, Italy and Portuguese Catholic University, Portugal.

By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the CSIRO Land and Water Australia is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Group Leader – Basin Management Outcomes I delegate Dr Auro Almeida as the contact person of this Project. I support ongoing engagement between the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon and Dr Almeida to investigate and determine opportunities for collaboration on this project.

Yours sincerely



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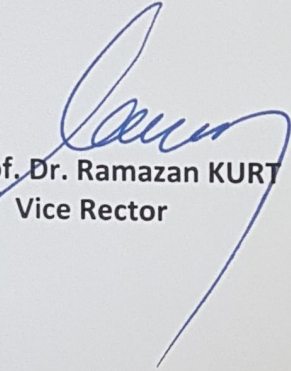
Endorsement Letter

Objective: Endorsement of the **EMJMD** project proposal of a Master Course in Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management (MEDfOR)

By this letter we confirm the participation of Faculty of Forestry, Bursa Technical University as Associated Partner in the Erasmus Mundus Master project proposal for the international Master of Science Programme "Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management".

The project proposal is coordinated by the University of Lisbon, Portugal - School of Agriculture, and includes as partners the following universities: University of Lleida, Spain, University of Valladolid, Spain, Karadeniz Technical University, Turkey, University of Tuscia, Italy, University of Padova, Italy and Portuguese Catholic University, Portugal.

By signing this declaration I certify that the given information in this proposal concerning the Faculty of Forestry, Bursa Technical University is to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. In my position of Vice Rector I delegate Prof. Dr. Emin UĞURLU as the contact person of this Project. I authorize and empower the School of Agriculture - University of Lisbon to take all necessary actions to negotiate and to implement the project. 07th February, 2020



Prof. Dr. Ramazan KURT
Vice Rector