



# NATAE

North African Transition  
to AgroEcology

NATAE is a four-year (2022-2026) project aiming to foster agroecological transition in North Africa. The NATAE project brings together a multidisciplinary and multi-actor consortium including research and education institutions, international organizations and local NGOs from around the Mediterranean. NATAE gathers 22 research and development partners from 14 countries from North Africa and Europe and is coordinated by the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Montpellier CIHEAM IAMM, France. The project aims to stimulate a transformation to agroecology by identifying optimal combinations of agroecological practices, empowering key stakeholders to encourage the elaboration of transformative policies and their adoption, and inducing adaptations in higher education.



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## What are Field Labs?

The NATAE project will set up a series of field laboratories in 5 countries in North Africa where methodologies will be developed, tailored for local strategies, and tested for replicability.

An agroecological field lab is a place of structured exchanges on the agroecological transition where co-construction of knowledge occurs due to the dialogue organised between key stakeholders, including farmers, industries, governments, NGOs, consumer organisations, research institutions and local advisory services.

NATAE will organise **six Living Labs** in a set of areas representative of North Africa farming systems and agroecological zones diversity in Algeria, Egypt, Mauritania, Morocco and Tunisia: oasis and peri-oasis systems, cereal plains, irrigated valley and plain, mountains, peri-urban.

**Seven Replication Labs** have been selected in areas where the methodologies and findings of Living Lab will be tested for replicability.



## Living Labs (LL)

- Mauritania: Riyadh, PK 17 LL (Peri-urban)
- Tunisia: Siliana LL (Cereal plains)
- Algeria: Laghouat LL (Oasis and peri-oasis system)
- Morocco: Boulmane LL (Mountains)
- Morocco: Meknès LL (Peri-urban)
- Egypt: Luxor LL (Irrigated valley)

## Replication Labs (RL)

- Mauritania: Atar RL (Oasis and peri-oasis system)
- Tunisia: Kébili RL (Oasis and peri-oasis system)
- Algeria: Setif RL (Cereal plains)
- Algeria: Tizi-Ouzou RL (Mountains)
- Morocco: Saïss plain RL (Cereal plains)
- Egypt: Kafr El Sheikh RL (Irrigated valley)
- South Africa: South Africa RL (Peri-urban)

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