



NATAE
North African Transition
to AgroEcology

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

International Field School

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As part of the NATAE (**North African Transition to AgroEcology**) project, the National Agronomic Institute of Tunisia (INAT) (<https://www.inat.tn>) is organizing a field school in the territory of Kebili, an oasis city in southern Tunisia. We invite students from the following disciplines: agronomy, rural economics and sociology to participate in this school. The call is open to students enrolled in the final year of the engineering cycle or in the Master's degree of the member countries of the NATAE project (<https://www.iamm.ciheam.org/fr/project/natae/>).

Objectives of the field school

This school, supervised by teacher-researchers from INAT and from NATAE's partner institutions along with socio-economic actors in the region, aims to carry out a territorial diagnosis in the oases of the governorate of Kebili in order to analyze local dynamics, agricultural, economic and social practices, as well as sustainable development issues. You will carry out surveys, exchange with local stakeholders, analyse the different spaces and dynamics of the territory with a particular focus on the agroecological transition.

This unique experience will allow you to acquire field skills, to make a concrete contribution to the study of territorial dynamics in oasis environments and to propose an action plan for a successful agro-ecological transition of these ecosystems.

Practical details:

When: April 12 to April 19, 2025

Where: Kebili

What is covered: Local Transport in Tunisia, accommodation and meals related to participation in the school.

What is not covered: International transport, personal expenses.

Eligibility criteria:

- Be a student in the final year of the engineering cycle or in a master's degree from one of the member countries of the NATAE project (<https://www.iamm.ciheam.org/fr/project/natae/>).
- Have a strong interest in themes related to agroecology and sustainable development.
- Fluency in French.

How to apply

Interested candidates must submit:

- An up-to-date CV
- A cover letter explaining your interest in the field school and your career aspirations.
- Commitment to participate in the entire field school.

Application Deadline

Applications must be sent no later than February 15, 2025 by email to the following address:

saoussen.ayadi@inat.ucar.tn






Applications that are incomplete or received after this date will not be considered.

Selection

Successful applicants will be contacted by email by March 10, 2025.

For more information, contact us at: saoussen.ayadi@inat.ucar.tn

We look forward to your applications!

 Kebili
 Application deadline: February 15, 2025.
 All partner countries of the NATAE project are invited to participate in the field school
 USEFUL LINKS To find out more about the NATAE project: https://www.iamm.ciheam.org/fr/project/natae/
 CONTACT Sawsen Ayadi, INAT. EMail: saoussen.ayadi@inat.ucar.tn

Provisional programme

Day	Activities
12/04/2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 07:00: Departure from Tunis ● Ice breaking activity <p>Presentation of the participants and the program</p>
13/04/2025	<p>Training/Preparation Day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentation of the principles of agroecology and the agroecological transition ● Presentation of the NATAE project ● Presentation of the region and its agriculture ● Diagnostic Approach and Tools ● Creation of groups and presentation of themes (Water, Biodiversity, Regional Value Chain, Dates and by-products of the palm grove).
14/04/2025	<p>On-the-ground diagnosis, Visit of an Agricultural Development Group (water and biodiversity theme)</p> <p>Restitution workshop</p>
15/04/2025	<p>On-the-ground diagnosis, Visit to a date packaging centre (Value chain theme)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Restitution workshop
16/04/2025	<p>On-the-ground diagnosis, GDA Women's Tour (Biodiversity Theme, Value Chain)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Restitution workshop
17/04/2025	<p>On-the-ground diagnosis, Visit to a community project (Water, biodiversity and date value chain)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Restitution workshop
18/04/2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 09:00-12:00: Final restitution by the students ● Agroecological transition diagnosis in the oasis ● Collective evaluation and feedback on the fieldwork and the participatory approach adopted.
19/04/2025	Back to Tunis




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