





#### **Newsletter #1**

# From Mediterranean Fields to Climate Goals: Introducing Carbon Farming MED



#### Dear reader,

Welcome to the first edition of the Carbon Farming MED newsletter! Since early 2024, partners from across the Mediterranean have been working together through the Interreg Euro-MED programme to transform Mediterranean agriculture and help meet the EU's 2035 climate goals.

Follow our journey—discover how carbon farming is transforming agriculture across the Mediterranean.

## Y About us

# **Farming for Climate Action**

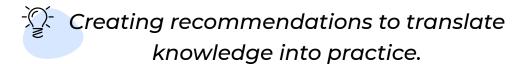


How can farming help fight climate change? That's exactly what Carbon Farming MED is here to explore—and help make possible.

Our mission is clear and ambitious: to support the shift toward climate-neutral, resilient agriculture in the Mediterranean. This involves boosting soil carbon sequestration and promoting sustainable farming techniques—strengthening farms against climate shocks while protecting essential ecosystem services.

## Here's what we're doing:

Researching carbon farming as a business model and developing a Mediterranean-tailored monitoring, reporting, and verification (MRV) framework.



Implementing pilot projects on farms across the Mediterranean to demonstrate carbon farming's effectiveness on the ground.

#### The key idea behind it all

Building the region's **first cross-border carbon credit platform** based on regenerative agriculture practices—ensuring sustainable farming is both environmentally beneficial and financially rewarding for farmers.



#### Meet the Team

Our project brings together 9 dedicated partners from research institutions, universities, and environmental organizations across Italy, Spain, France, Slovenia, Greece, and Bosnia and Herzegovina. Coordinated by the Beta Technological Center at UVIC-UCC, this diverse team works hand in hand to drive innovation and make a real impact.

Discover the partners driving this project forward.

# **PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS SO FAR**

As the project progresses, here's a quick look at what we've achieved so far:



## **Laying the Foundations**

We've analysed the latest scientific knowledge and on-the-ground experiences related to carbon farming in the Mediterranean. This work is helping us better understand its business potential and the broader environmental and social co-benefits it brings.



#### Piloting in the Field

Pilot farms in Italy and Catalonia, Spain are testing regenerative agricultural practices in realworld conditions. These pilots are generating essential data for modelling soil carbon dynamics and improving how we monitor carbon stock changes over time.



#### **Developing the Tools**

We're creating a Mediterraneanspecific Monitoring, Reporting & Verification (MRV) framework and developing an IT platform to calculate carbon removals crucial steps toward building a transparent and credible carbon credit system based on regenerative practices.



## **Spreading Knowledge**

Training modules and video content are being developed for the Euro-MED Academy as part of a comprehensive "Carbon Farming in the Mediterranean" learning programme—designed to support capacity-building and knowledge transfer across the region.

## **Engaging Stakeholders**

We've started engaging with food industry stakeholders and agricultural practitioners to raise awareness of carbon farming and create connections that will support future uptake and long-term impact.



In the past six months, we've been busy across the Mediterranean—connecting, learning, and driving change.

Here are three standout moments:

#### **Our 1st Capacity Building Workshop in Brussels (May 2025)**



We brought together experts and farmers to spark fresh ideas and real action.

Discover the key takeaways →

#### 2nd European Carbon Farming Summit, Dublin (March 2025)



Our team joined Europe's leading voices to shape the future of carbon farming.

See what happened →

# Interreg Euro-MED Innovative Sustainable Economy mission event (April 2025)



We fostered collaboration and shared best practices to strengthen our impact.

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Please share this newsletter with colleagues, researchers, farmers, policymakers, and anyone interested in sustainable agriculture and climate action.

♣ Thank you for being part of our journey. Together, we're cultivating a greener, more resilient future for Mediterranean agriculture. Stay tuned for our next newsletter!

# Kind regards, The Carbon Farming MED Team

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