

# MOAN - MEDITERRANEAN ORGANIC AGRICULTURE NETWORK

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Network Meeting

*Damascus, March 5-8 2008*

### Tuesday March 4th

Arrival to Damascus, lodging in Fardoss Tower Hotel

### Wednesday March 5th

**Morning** Free

**Afternoon** **12:00** Preliminary meeting of the steering committee

**13.30 – 15.00** **Lunch at the hotel**

**15:00 – 20:00** Field trip: Visit to an organic olive farm (250ha) in Damascus proximity

**20:30** **Social dinner at the hotel Fardoss Tower**

### Thursday March 6th

**Morning** **09:00 – 09:30** Welcome addresses

SESSION 1 **ORGANIC STATISTICS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN REGION: STATE OF THE ART AFTER IZMIR MEETING**

**09:30– 10:30** Organic statistics in the Mediterranean region: Issues and Bottlenecks

**10:30 – 11:00** **Coffee break**

**11:00 – 12:15** Feedback from participants

**12:15 – 13:00** Discussion and conclusions

**13:30 – 15:00** **Lunch at the hotel**

**Afternoon**

SESSION 2 **MOAN CONTRIBUTION TO 16<sup>TH</sup> IFOAM ORGANIC WORLD CONGRESS, MODENA 2008**

**15:30 – 17:00** Presentation of and MOAN's input to the conference on "*Government Support Policies on Organic agriculture: experiences and lessons from around the world*"

**16:45 – 17:15** **Coffee and snack available while working**

**17:00 - 18:30** MOAN Countries presentations on good practices in the field of support policies for organic agriculture  
Free evening and dinner on own

### Friday March 7<sup>th</sup>

**Morning**

SESSION 2 **MOAN CONTRIBUTION TO 16<sup>TH</sup> IFOAM ORGANIC WORLD CONGRESS, MODENA 2008**

**09:00 – 11:00** MOAN publication on "*Governments' support policies for organic agriculture in the Mediterranean*": Contributions from participants and thematic workshops

**11:00 – 11.15** **Coffee break**

**11:15 – 12:00** meeting conclusions and future arrangements

**Afternoon**

**TOURSITIC TRIP**

**12:30** Departure from the Hotel to Palmyra

Lunch on the bus (take away snack)

**14:30 – 18:00** Visit Palmyra, a UNESCO world heritage site

- 18:00 – 20:00** Travel to Tartus
- 20:30** Dinner at the hotel in Tartus
- People leaving early morning of the 8<sup>th</sup> will leave Palmyra and go to Damascus (Prof. Mohammed Ben Kheder and wife, Mr. Mousa Abdel-Jawad Al-Natsheh and Mr. Salem Haroun)

### **Saturday March 8<sup>th</sup>**

#### **FIELDTRIP**

- 08:30** Departure from the hotel
- 09:00 – 10:00** Visit to the Research centre of Tartus (Lab. producing natural enemies and carrying out organic trials)
- 10:30 – 12:30** Visit to the organic research station in Tartus
- 13:00 – 14:30** Lunch (still to be define)
- 15:00 – 17:00** Visit to Al-Hosn Castle
- 17:00** Departure to Damascus
- 20:00** Arrival and dinner at the Hotel