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**REPORT ON VISIT TO BARI, ITALY**  
by Peter Mills  
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27-January-2006 to 05-February-2006

**PURPOSE**

- **Orientation:** introduction to International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM) in Bari, personnel, country, agriculture, training systems.
- **Presentation:** on CropLife activities.
- **Personnel:** meet with International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies, Bari and other training personnel.
- **Training:** conduct **five day** course on **Training of Trainers** in Bari, Italy, for post-graduate IPM Masters students at the International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies in Bari (CIHEAM), Italy.
- **Training Materials:** hand over training materials to all trainees and other training staff
- **Meetings:** meetings with CIHEAM personnel, Tunisian National Institute of Agronomy.

**ACTIVITIES**

Friday, 27-January-2006

08h00: **Preparation**  
14h00: Depart Pietermaritzburg  
15h00: Arrive airport  
16h40: Depart Durban (SA570)  
17h50: Arrive Johannesburg (SA570)  
20h45: Depart Johannesburg (AF995)  
Overnight: Plane

Saturday, 28-January-2006

06h20: Arrive Paris (AF995)  
07h45: Depart Paris (AF1114)  
09h20: Arrive Milan (AF1114)  
15h35: Depart Milan (AZ1635) - delayed, due to snow  
17h05: Arrive Bari (AZ1635)  
19h00: Arrive CIHEAM, Bari

Overnight: Bari - CIHEAM

Sunday, 29-January-2006

08h00: **Preparation**

11h00: **Meeting:** CIHEAM Staff; Preparation

Overnight: Bari - CIHEAM

Monday, 30-January-2006

08h30: **Presentation:** CropLife activities

09h00: **Training of Trainers Course: Day 1**

17h30: End of Day 1

Overnight: Bari - CIHEAM

Tuesday, 31-January-2006

08h30: **Training of Trainers Course: Day 2**

17h30: End of Day 2

Overnight: Bari - CIHEAM

Wednesday, 01-February-2006

08h30: **Training of Trainers Course: Day 3**

17h30: End of Day 3

Overnight: Bari - CIHEAM

Thursday, 02-February-2006

08h30: **Training of Trainers Course: Day 4**

17h30: End of Day 4

Overnight: Bari - CIHEAM

Friday, 03-February-2006

08h30: **Training of Trainers Course: Day 5**

13h30: End of Day 5

15h00: **Certificate Ceremony**

15h30: **Meeting:** Tunisian National Institute of Agronomy

16h00: **Reports, administration, data capture**

Overnight: Bari - CIHEAM

Saturday, 04-February-2006

08h00: **Reports, administration, data capture**

13h00: Depart CIHEAM

15h05: Depart Bari (AF9937)

16h10: Arrive Rome (AF9937)

18h00: Depart Rome (AF9843)

20h10: Arrive Paris (AF9843)

23h15: Depart Paris (AF995)

Overnight: Plane

Sunday, 05-February-2006

10h50: Arrive Johannesburg (AF995)

12h55: Depart Johannesburg (SA555)

14h05: Arrive Durban (SA555)

15h00: Depart Durban

16h30: Arrive Pietermaritzburg

Overnight: Home

## **KEY PERSONNEL CONTACTED**

- Dr. Cosimo Lacirignola, Director, CIHEAM, Bari.
- Dr. Anna Maria D'Onghia, Head, Plant Protection, CIHEAM, Bari.
- Dr. Khaled Djelouah, Scientific Tutor and Course Co-ordinator, CIHEAM, Bari.
- Diana Frasheri, Course Co-ordinator, CIHEAM, Bari.
- Dr. Mohamed Cherif, Phytopathology, Tunisian National Institute of Agronomy.
- Eng. Raied Abu Qubaa, Ministry of Agriculture, International Cooperation Department, Damascus, Syria.
- 13 ToT participants: IPM Masters students.

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Meetings with Director, Anna Maria and Khaled of CIHEAM to discuss future plans for further Train the Trainer courses.
- Facilitated five day Training of Trainers course for 13 IPM Masters students of CIHEAM, from Tunisia, Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Egypt, Angola, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Syria, Turkey.
- Presented hard and electronic copies of ToT and Safe Use training materials to all participants and other parties.
- Meeting with Tunisian National Institute of Agronomy to discuss way forward for ToT course in Tunisia.
- Presented electronic copies of IPM & Responsible Use training materials to all participants and other parties.

## **ACTIONS REQUIRED**

- Plan for future trainings in Tunisia with Tunisian National Institute of Agronomy (AMA, MC, PM).
- Plan for future trainings in Italy with International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies, Bari (AMA, MC, PM).
- Cooperate with Eng. Qubaa on the Syrian ToT (AMA, PM).
- Re-evaluate the format for training in academic institutions (PM).

## **CONCLUSION**

Very good and critical co-operation established with International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies, Bari. Possible co-operation with other similar institutes in Tunisia, Greece, France (and others) for Ali to follow-up?

Having these ToT courses with young people about to enter the work place, I feel will be far more productive and beneficial to CropLife than the previous format arranged for previous ToT courses.

Need to rethink the format for "student courses". For discussion in next Executive Committee meeting.

Many thanks to CIHEAM for the opportunity to co-operate. Many thanks to all their staff for the incredible help before, during and after the course.

## **KEY**

PM = Peter Mills

MC = Michel Chartouni

AMA = Ali Mohamed Ali

Peter Mills

05-February-2006



A group exercise to brain storm what preparations are needed when choosing and setting up a training venue.



On Day 2, group presentations were made, using recently learned methods and knowledge. Individuals took turns to present each part of the group assignment.



The thirteen participants pose with CropLife Trainer, Peter Mills.



Participants pose with their certificates, which they received from the Director of the International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies, Bari, Dr. Cosimo Lacirignola, seen at the back with Peter Mills of CropLife Africa Middle East.