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Project Update

Enhancing wheat-legume cropping systems

Developing proven technologies for enhanced wheat-legume productivity in W. Asia and N. Africa

A new ICARDA-managed initiative is testing, validating, and disseminating proven innovations to assist wheat and food legume farmers in West Asia and North Africa (WANA) – helping to stabilize production and strengthen food security against a backdrop of increasing climate variability.

WANA is the most food import dependent region in the world and struggles with low productivity and increasing demand from a growing population. The project aims to promote self-sufficiency and reduce WANA's vulnerability to rising food prices.

Innovations will include a full range of proven farming practices and technologies – from improved high-yielding, drought-tolerant varieties of wheat and food legumes to supplemental irrigation and conservation agriculture.

Reflecting national priorities and including national research institutions, the initiative will be implemented in eight countries: Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Sudan, Tunisia, and Turkey.

Explore the innovations being delivered to farmers: http://www.icarda.org/wheat-legume%20systems/technologies

Find out more about the challenges confronting WANA's farmers: http://www.icarda.org/wheat-legume-systems/challenges

Read about the Project's aims, objectives, and expected outcomes: http://www.icarda.org/wheat-legume-systems/aims-and-objectives

For all information related to the progress of the initiative visit: http://www.icarda.org/strengthening-wheat-legume-systems/teaser

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