



Technical Report

Training type

on

Introduction to silage use in dairy farming

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Name of the project

Transformational Agroecology across Food, Land, and Water systems

Partners

OEP

Purpose of the project

Co-design innovative agroecological technologies

Specific objectives of the training course on contemporary approaches to extension

Objective of the training was to familiarize dairy farmers with the silage feeding technology

Specific outputs

- i) Farmers learn use and advantages of silage
- ii) Farmers learn different types of silage
- iii) Farmers learn how to assess good silage

TARGETED AUDIENCE(S)

Female dairy farmers

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

OEP and ICARDA

GENERAL OVERVIEW

Farmers in Central Tunisia are not well aware of the importance of silage as animal feed. To co-design with dairy farmers a trial on silage use and impact on milk production a short introduction course of advantages and use of silage was given

COURSE STRUCTURE

- Theoretical part (2 h)
- Practical part (1 h)

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION

The course has a theoretical and practical part. Farmers were introduced to the different types of silage and how they are produced as well as the advantage and characteristics of good silage.

The practical part was through touching and smelling of maize silage which is provided in bags by a nearby company. As a second co-designed part of the training, silage is given to dairy cows for 5 weeks to see their impact on milk production

GROUP ASSESSMENT

Farmers appreciate a lot the silage technology and its potential, mainly as feed gets rare and expensive.

GENERAL COURSE EVALUATION by TRAINEES

There was no written evaluation

CONCLUSION

This was a simple introduction to silage to initiate the co-designing of a 5-week silage feeding trial. Once the farmers are convinced of the positive economic impact of silage a more detailed training should be organized.

Consent

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Annex III: General Course Evaluation

Evaluation question group

Item/rating/percentage	Overall Average
Question	0

Annex IV Comments and suggestions

a) Please state the three most important ideas/concepts that you learned from this course:

b) Suggestions for future improvement of the course:

c) Do you recommend this course to be repeated in the future?

Yes: 0%

No: 0%