

This TEMPUS project was submitted in the (TEMPUS IV-Sixth call for proposals) by March 2013. Number of submitted proposals was 973, where only 170 projects were selected for funding.

Our TEMPUS project has the title (Capacity Building of Personnel in Jordanian Olive Industry).

Objectives of the Project

The project aims to develop the Jordanian olive sector, which is important for the Jordanian economy. This goal will be achieved through the cooperation between UJ and EU as well as other Jordanian partners.

This project focuses on capacity building of Jordanian olive farmers, olive mills and the table olive personnel, and olive sensory evaluation teams so as to improve the quality of the Jordanian table olives and olive oil to comply with the IOC standards



Project Activities:

The project includes six work packages covering activities that should be carried out during the project life which extends for 36 months .

Major tasks

- Establishment of the main training center at the University of Jordan (UJ) and other two branches, one in the north at JUST and one in the south at MU.
- seminars and workshops for olive farmers, table olive and olive mill personnel.
- staff and graduate student exchange from Jordan to European partner countries and vice versa

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Achievements:

- 1- Building the main training center and establishing the three sensory and two chemical laboratories.
- 2- The purchasing of a small olive mill and olive pickling line of Turkish HAUS company for training .
- 3-Holding the kick-off meeting of the project by June 2014 and the 1st administrative meeting in Verona University (Italy) by Feb. 2015. The 2nd management meeting of the project was held in Amman by October 2015.
- 4-The exchange of staff and students between the participating universities for 2015.
- 5-The completion of six training courses (5 days each) for the year 2015. Trainees were from olive farmers, mill personnel and olive pickling factories and teams of sensory evaluation of olive oil .



Participants in the project



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