# Fed Apimed Féderation Apiculteurs

de la Méditerranée

Needs of cooperation: Mediterranean basin

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Italie, Albanie, Turquie, Iraq, Lebanon, Jordanie, Palestine, Egypte, Tunisie Algerie, Maroc, France



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#### Common strategic objectives

Quality honey, market transparency, Policies for the protection of beekeeping in application of the principle of biodiversity

#### Common methodology

Interventions on the value chains, Improvement of services, Best legal and legislative definitions



### Euro - Mediterranean Beekeeping Dialogue

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#### Support to beekeeping

- •Relationship between territories
- •Alliances with farmers, researchers, civil society international cooperation, local and national governments, all of stakeholders interested in the active defense of biodiversity and sustainable human development
- •Support by the United Nations and the European Union is essential and strategic.



Including direct support measures for beekeepers and bees as biodiversity agents in the European Union Rural Development Programs and in the National Agricultural / Rural Development Plans of Mediterranean Countries.



Implementing policies that favor the use of honeybees in areas capable to cause environmental degradation, impoverishment of biodiversity and desertification

Bringing agro-pharmaceutical industries to adopte appropriate procedures for validating their products before marketing with updated protocols considering the latest research about the effects of new substances on bees



Safeguard and enhance the *sub-species* of autochthonous honey bees, also in order to preserve and enhance the territoriality and specificity of local aptitude activity.

Supporting small-beekeepers in small scale projects with appropriate support measures; Implement farming-credit programs for beekeepers

Facilitate the inclusion and participation of women in beekeeping



Strengthening international cooperation and dialogue between Europe and the Mediterranean countries as a tool for improving socio-economic cohesion in the region and building a shared area of well-being and peace;



The beekeepers, represented by the Copa Cogeca Honey Working Group, and the beekeepers represented by the Mediterranean Beekeepers Federation are committed to collaborate on:



enlarging the partnership agreements between the countries of the European Union and the Countries in the Mediterranean area;



starting the discuss on issues of honey quality and recognition of the methods of analysis, investigation and identification of honey in the markets;



establishing an institutionalized and permanent debate-table, which could be, on the example the Mediterranean Beekeeping Forum, an Euro-Mediterranean Beekeeping Forum;



Considering the fundamental role of honey bees for the conservation of biodiversity and life

beekeeping be recognized as a

"Common Good"



Thank you for your attention

