






INPLANTOMICS CLOSING MEETING

 **May 15, 2026**

 **Radisson Hotel, Sfax**



MORNING SESSION: ADMINISTRATIVE & PROJECT PROGRESS

	08:00*-09:00	Registration
	09:00-10:00	Welcome & Opening ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> President of the University of Sfax Representatives of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific and Research National Agency for the Promotion of Scientific Research
	10:00-10:20	INPLANTOMICS Project Overview Prof. Moez Hanin Project Retrospective and Main Achievements
	10:20-10:50	Horizon Europe and Widening Programme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Amélie Birot (REA, Horizon Europe) on "The future of Widening." Ms. Amani Charrad (NCP) on "Strengthening R&I Capacities through Widening Opportunities."
	10:50-11:15	Coffee Break

WORK PACKAGE PRESENTATIONS

11:15-11:30	WP 1: Prof. Klaus Mayer , HMGU-Munich, Germany
11:30-11:45	WP 2: Prof. Stefaan Werbrouck , UGent, Belgium
11:45-12:00	WP3: Prof. Chantal Ebel , ISBS-USF, Tunisia
12:00-12:15	WP4: Prof. Amine Elleuch , FSS, Tunisia
12:15-12:30	WP5: Prof. Alma Balestrazzi , UniPV, Italy
12:30-12:50	Testimonials from young Tunisian researchers



12:50-14:00
Networking Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION: SCIENTIFIC LECTURE CYCLE

14:00-14:30	Leveraging durum wheat diversity for genetic improvement Prof. Luigi Cattivelli Council for Agricultural Research and Economics (CREA), Research centre for Genomics & Bioinformatics. Fiorenzuola d'Arda PC, Italy
14:30-15:00	Alpha Fold-guided studies of plant immunity Prof. Sophien Kamoun The Sainsbury Laboratory, Norwich, United Kingdom
15:00-15:20	When facts are not enough: towards better acceptance of plant biotechnology in Europe Prof. Ortrun Mittelsten Scheid Gregor Mendel Institute of Molecular Plant Biology, Vienna, Austria
15:20-15:35	Coffee Break 

*Local Tunisian time ie. CEST-1h

AFTERNOON SESSION: SCIENTIFIC LECTURE CYCLE

15:35-15:55	From Oasis to Laboratory: Transcontinental date palm research from Tozeur to Ghent Prof. Stefaan Werbrouck Faculty Bioscience Engineering - Ghent University, Belgium
15:55-16:15	Epigenomic Dynamics and Changes in Chromosomal Architecture During Synthetic Wheat Formation Dr. Maxim Messerer Helmholtz Zentrum München, Germany
16:15-16:35	Integrated multi-omics reveals drought plasticity in North African durum wheat Dr. Chantal Ebel Higher Institute of Biotechnology, University of Sfax, Tunisia
16:35-16:55	Disclosing the regulatory network and ultrastructural hallmarks of dehydration stress response in primed and overprimed Medicago truncatula seeds Dr. Andrea Pagano Department of Biology and Biotechnology University of Pavia, Italy



CLOSING CEROMONY

16:55-17:05 **Wrap up and closing of the meeting**

Thank you for being part of the INPLANTOMICS closing meeting



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