FAO-CIHEAM Network on Sheep and Goats
Sub-Network on Production Systems

8th International Seminar

Technology creation and transfer in small ruminants: roles of research, development services and farmer associations

Tangier, Morocco, 11 to 13 June 2013

Organised by:
National Institute of Agricultural Research, Tangier (Morocco)
International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies
Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Zaragoza (CIHEAM-IAMZ)

With the technical support of:
The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

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Background and objectives of the Seminar

Small ruminants are important for income generation and security, food supply and for development in rural Mediterranean areas especially in mountainous and marginal regions. Nevertheless, Mediterranean sheep and goat farms generally have low productivity and income levels, and the adoption of cost-effective technologies and management practices for improving flock productivity and farmers' incomes is limited. This is largely due to socio-economic factors, such as the marginal areas in which they produce or the low capitalization of farms, but also to the lack of adaptation of these technologies to field conditions.

Innovation creation, adaptation and transfer are integrated steps to the adoption of successful technology by farmers and their associations. The results from each step of this pathway contribute to global success in the adoption approach, where improvements are simultaneously technical, economic, social and institutional.

The National Institute of Agricultural Research of Morocco (INRA) and the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Zaragoza – CIHEAM organise the 8th Seminar of the FAO-CIHEAM Sub-Network on Production Systems entitled “Technology creation and transfer in small ruminants: roles of research, development services and farmers associations”, in Tangier (Morocco), from 11 to 13 June 2013.

The objective of the Seminar is to encourage participation and interaction among scientists and technicians involved in small ruminant production systems, with a view to: (1) analyse the evolution and efficacy of the technologies developed during the last decades; (2) evaluate the existing small ruminant research structures and programmes in the Mediterranean region and discuss approaches developed and major results obtained; and (3) present and analyse technology transfer models and tools adopted, highlighting the specific roles of the different stakeholders, such as public administrations, farmers associations and private companies.

Organisation and venue

The Seminar is organised by the National Institute of Agricultural Research of Morocco (INRA), through Regional Center of Agricultural Research (CRRA) of Tangier, and the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Zaragoza – CIHEAM, with the technical support of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). The Seminar will last two days providing a forum for scientific and technical exchanges and a one-day field trip. The scientific and technical exchanges will be structured in three sessions and a round table, with keynote guest speakers. The Seminar will also be open to free contributions.

The Seminar will be held at the Hotel Husa Solazur of Tangier (Avenue Mohamed VI - 90000 Tangier, Morocco)

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Provisional programme

11 June

08:30 - 09:15 Registration
09:15 - 09:45 Opening ceremony
09:45 - 13:00 Session 1. Evolution and efficacy of technologies in sheep and goat production systems  
Chairperson: F. Pacheco, DRAP-Norte, Portugal

Invited conferences
10:15 - 10:45 Technologies and innovations for goat production systems. M. Chentouf. INRA Tanger, Morocco
10:45 - 11:15 Poster viewing and coffee break
11:15 - 11:30 Oral presentations  
Proposal of complementary indicators in reproduction and selection to evaluate sheep and goat production systems. G. Toussaint, P. Morand-Fehr, J.M. Castel-Genis, M. Chentouf, Y. Mena, F. Pacheco, A. Ruiz, G. Srour. FAO-CIHEAM Network on Sheep and Goats
11:45 - 12:00 Feeding strategy of sheep in low rainfall areas. A. Chriyaa. INRA, Settat, Morocco
12:00 - 12:15 Artificial insemination in Moroccan sheep: the present and perspectives. B. El Amiri, X. Druart, A. Fatet. INRA, Settat, Morocco
12:30 - 12:45 The incorporation of saponins sources (Quillaja saponaria, Agave americana and Trigonella foenum-graecum seeds) in the diet of Sicilo-Sarde ewes improves milk fatty acid profile. S. Nasri, H. Ben Salem. INRAT, Tunis, Tunisia
13:00 - 14:00 Lunch
14:00 - 14:15 Poster session 1
14:15 - 14:45 Discussion Session 1
14:45 - 19.00 Session 2. Research in sheep and goats: structures, approach, investment and results obtained

Chairperson: Mohammed Badraoui. INRA, Morocco

Invited conferences

14:45 - 15:15 Challenges to generate adaptable technologies and to build up strategic alliances for small ruminants research in low input systems: case of Tunisia. Mourad Rekik, Hichem Ben Salem. IRESA, Tunisia


Oral presentations

16:15 - 16:30 Livestock future in North Africa. How can the advance rate of scientific knowledge progresses, technical innovation implementation and local empiricism be improved? J. Chiche. IAV Hassan II, Rabat, Morocco

16:30 - 16:45 L’élevage ovin dans les zones de hautes et moyennes montagnes marocaines comme vecteur de développement économique: cas de la province d’Azilal. M. Benbati, B. Benjelloun, L. Haounou, M. Laghmir, B. Boulanouar. INRA Tadla, Morocco

16:45 - 17:15 Poster viewing and coffee break


17:30 - 17:45 New feeding technology using cactus in sheep fattening: applications to small-scale farms of Rhamna region, Morocco. M. Bendaou, M’Barek Aït Omar. INRA, Rabat, Morocco

17:45 - 18:00 Goat in Argan ecosystems: its environmental and socio-economic impacts. A. El Aich. IAV Hassan II, Rabat, Morocco


18:15 - 18:30 Poster session 2

18:30 - 19:00 Discussion Session 2

12 June

09.00 - 12.45 Session 3. Technology transfer in sheep and goat production systems: models, tools and actors

Chairperson: M. Bengoumi, FAO-SNE, Tunisia

Invited conferences

09:00 - 09:30 Technology generation and transfer using the community approach in West Asia and North Africa. The ICARDA experience. A. Nefzaoui, M. El Mourid, M. Louhaichi, B. Rischkowsky. ICARDA, Tunisia

09:30 - 10:00 At livestock farming system scale, what models for what goals and which users: examples from France. Marc Benoit. INRA, Clermont-Ferrand Theix, France

Oral presentations

10:00 - 10:15 Ancestral know-how and transformation of farming systems in pasture-based environments: the future of local produce from the region of Djelfa. A. Meguellati, M. Kanoun. INRA, Algeria
10:15 - 10:30 Promoting native sheep breeds by autonomous production, involvement of farmers organizations, research and legislation. M. Djemali, S. Romdhani. INAT, Tunis, Tunisia

10:30 - 11:00 Poster viewing and coffee break


11:45 - 12:00 National sheep and goat breeding program and breeder associations. Collaborations systems of Turkey. I. Daskiran. Min. Food. Agr. Lives. of Turkey, Ankara

12:00 - 12:15 Improvement of dairy sheep farming in Tunisia: success of an experience in the Béja region. A. Brahmi, R. Khaldi, G. Khaldi. Ecole Sup. d’Agric. du Kef, Tunisia

12:15 - 12:30 Implantation of star accelerated lambing system in extensive Merino breed farms. F.A. Arrebola, B. Pardo, V. Vicario, F. Borjas, C. Leal, R.A. Alonso. IFAPA, Hinojosa del Duque, Spain

12:30 - 12:45 Improvement of the Tagger goat for meat production. M. Elimam. Univ. Gezira, Sudan

12:45 - 13:00 Technical and socio-economic characterisation of small ruminant producing systems in Saudi Arabia: results from a survey to stockbreeders. R.S. Aljumaah, M.A. Alshaikh, M. Ayadi, S. Sayadi. King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

13:15 - 13:30 Poster session 3

13:30 - 14:00 Discussion Session 3

14:00 - 15:00 Lunch

15.00 - 18.00 Round table. The role of farmers associations in the adaptation, testing and transfer of technologies in sheep and goats.

Chairperson: D. Gabiña, IAMZ-CIHEAM, Spain

Presentations from Algeria, Morocco, France, Portugal, Spain and Tunisia have been programmed.

18.00 Conclusions and closing of the Seminar

13 June

Full day field trip

Languages

The working languages of the Seminar will be English and French. Simultaneous interpretation of the theatre presentations and conferences will be provided.

Seminar Proceedings

The Seminar Proceedings, including the text of the keynote lectures, theatre presentations and posters accepted by the Scientific Committee will be published in the CIHEAM journal Options Méditerranéennes. Proceedings will be in English and French.

Registration. Deadline: 31 May 2013

Registrations received after the deadline may not be accepted. By 30 April 2013 registration fees for the two days of seminar and the technical visit will be 250 euro, after which fees will be 300 euro. Fees include attendance to the Seminar, coffees and lunches, the social dinner, technical visit and a copy of the Proceedings.
Payment should be made by bank transfer to the following account:

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Postal Address: Av. Montañana 290, 50059 Montañana (Zaragoza), Spain.

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For registration, fill out the registration and hotel form (available in MS-Word format at http://www.iamz.ciheam.org/tangier2013) and return it, preferably by e-mail, before 31 May 2013, to:

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Tel: 34 976 716000 - Fax: 34 976 716001 - E-mail: iamz@iamz.ciheam.org

Accommodation. Deadline: 31 May 2013

Pre-booking at special low rates has been arranged with the Hotel Husa Solazur, Tangier. For hotel reservation, fill out the registration and hotel form (available in MS-Word format at www.iamz.ciheam.org/tangier2013).

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The hotel that has been pre-booked at a group discounted rate is Hotel Husa Solazur****, Avenue Mohamed VI, 90000 Tangier. Prices per room and night, breakfast and taxes included, are 665.40 MAD (approx. 60 euro) in Single room and 780.80 MAD (approx. 70 euro) in Double room.

Please indicate your accommodation requirements
Date of arrival: Date of departure: Number of nights:
Single room [ ] Double room [ ]

A minimum one night’s deposit must be paid at the time of booking to guarantee reservation

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