

# Conservation & Sustainable Use of Dryland Agrobiodiversity in Lebanon

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## Agrobiodiversity Project Trainings for Year 2003

One of the major outputs of the Project is to increase capacity building on conservation and sustainable use of agrobiodiversity in Lebanon. The Project has conducted, since its initiation in year 2000, a series of workshops and training sessions on some agricultural practices and new techniques. Training sessions organized and conducted in 2003, included the following:

### *1- Proper Pesticide Application:*

In April 2003, the Agrobiodiversity Project organized a one-day training course on the proper, safe use and application of pesticides for pest prevention and treatment. The training was conducted at LARI's Tel Amara station, where nearly 40 participants attended, among whom were farmers and LARI staff.



### *2- Integrated Pest Management of Fruit Trees:*

Also in April 2003 the Project organized a two-days training course on the integrated pest management of fruit trees. The training was conducted in Tel Amara station and focused on the use of biological and natural agents for pest control. Around forty participants attended the training.



### *3- Geographic Information System:*

In May 2003, the Project organized a five-days training course at LARI, Tel Amara station on "GIS Application for the Management of Natural Habitat and Agrobiodiversity". Nine staff members from the Project and LARI participated in the training.



### *4- Quality Seed Production:*

In May 2003, the Project organized, in collaboration with LARI and ICARDA, a two-days training course for farmers & NGOs on "Quality Seed Production". Forty participants attended the course which was held at LARI's Tel Amara station and at ICARDA's Terbol station. The course stressed on the role of the farmers in the sustainable use of landraces.





# Agrobiodiversity Project Trainings in Years 2000-2002

From 2000 to 2002, the Agrobiodiversity Project organized several training courses and workshops on:

- 1- Importance of Indigenous Plant Genetic Resources in Sustainable Agriculture and Pasture Nursery Management
- 2- Soil and Water Resources Management
- 3- Water Harvesting Techniques
- 4- Workshop on Conservation and Sustainable Use of Agrobiodiversity in Lebanon
- 5- Community-Based Workshop and Management of NGOs
- 6- Land Tenure and Natural Resources Management
- 7- Plant Taxonomy
- 8- In-Situ Conservation
- 9- Traveling Workshop for Farmers and Technicians from the Region and Evaluation by the Farmers of the Landrace Line Mixtures in Experimental Plots
- 10- Traveling Workshop for Women
- 11- Improved Apiculture Techniques
- 12- Establishment and Management of Fruit Trees Nurseries

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*Importance of Indigenous Plant Genetic Resources*



*Water Harvesting Techniques*



*Conservation & Sustainable Use of Agrobiodiversity in Lebanon*



*“To waste, to destroy our natural resources, to skin and exhaust the land instead of using it to increase its usefulness, will result in undermining in the days of our children the very property which we ought by right, to hand down to them amplified and developed”.*

Theodore Roosevelt  
1858-1919



*Community-Based Workshop & Management of NGOs*



*Land Tenure & Natural Resources Management*



*Traveling Workshop for Farmers & Technicians*



*Soil and Water Management*



*Traveling Workshop for Farmers & Technicians*



*Nursery Management*