



# The Third Symposium on Hypogeous Fungi of the Mediterranean Basin **HYPOGES3**

Under the theme “Truffles and Desert Truffles in the  
Face of Climate Change”

The Faculty of Sciences, 8-12 April, 2025

## The Program



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Symposium on Hypogeous Fungi of The mediterranean Basin



Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025

17 :00 – 20 :00 Registration.

Wednesday April 9th, 2025

08: 30 – 10: 00 Opening ceremony

- **Pr. Mohamed RHACHI**, President of Mohammed V University in Rabat.
- **Pr. Mohammed REGRAGUI**, Dean of the Faculty of Sciences.
- **Pr. Lahsen KHABAR/ Pr. Sarah BOUZROUD**, HYPOGES 3 chairman.

•Coffee Break•

•Group Picture•

—Session 1 — Truffle production and Climate resilience

**Chairs: José Antonio BONET & Jalila BENJELLOUN**

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| 10 : 45 – 11 : 15 | <b>La trufficulture dans le monde après 50 ans d'utilisation intensive du plant mycorrhizé.</b><br>Gérard CHEVALIER, INRA, France.   |
| 11 : 15 – 11 : 45 | <b>Truffle polycrisis in the Carpathian Basin</b><br>Istvan BAGI, Talajtérkép Kft., Hungary.   |
| 11 : 45 – 12 : 00 | <b>Oral presentations :</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Croatian case study: development of methods for mycorhization of forest seedlings, promotion of green economy and increasing the stability of forest ecosystems.</b><br/>Ivana ZEGNAL, Croatian Forest Research Institute, Croatia.</li></ul> |
| 12: 00 – 12 : 00  | <b>Discussion</b>  |

•Lunch Break•

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### —Session 2 — Truffle cultivation and Agroforestry practices in the Mediterranean regions

**Chairs: Zoltan BRATEK & Laila SBABOU**

14 : 00 – 14 : 30	Current situation and perspectives of the truffle sector in the Mediterranean area.  Daniel OLIACH, Forest Science and Technology Center of Catalonia, Spain.
14 : 30– 15 : 00	Oral presentations : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Truffle sector in Croatia, from wild to plantations. Anton BRENKO, Croatian Forest Research Institute, Croatia.</li> <li>• Effect of mycorrhization on growth, and phenols accumulation in <i>Argania spinosa</i> seedlings. Awatef SLAMA, University of Carthage, Tunisia.</li> </ul>
15: 00 – 15 : 30	Soil conservation and improvement through agroecological management of the cultivation of desert truffles (TURMASOIL project)  Asuncion MORTE, University of Murcia, Spain.
15 : 30 – 16 : 00	Discussion  •Coffee Break•  — Poster session (16 : 00 – 16 : 30) —

### —Session 2 — Truffle cultivation and Agroforestry practices in the Mediterranean region

**Chairs: Istvan BAGI & Kaoutar TAHA**

16 : 30 – 17 : 00	The Truffle and Truffle-farming in Morocco: Current status of knowledge and perspective.  Lahsen KHABAR, Mohammed V University, Morocco.
17 : 00– 17 : 30	Oral presentations : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Production de plants de deux espèces arborescentes mycorhizées par des truffes du desert: perspectives d'application dans le reboisement des régions semi-arides et sahariennes en Algérie. Zohra FORTAS, University of Oran, Algeria.</li> <li>• Stimulating the effect of climate change on mycorrhization of millet (<i>Pennisetum glaucum</i> L.) cultivated in contrasting soils (beneath and outside shrub) in Senegal. Hassna FOUNOUNE, Senegalese Institute of Agricultural Research, Senegal.</li> </ul>

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17: 30 –18 : 00      Discussion

**Thursday April 10th, 2025**

**- Excusion to Maamoura Forest –**

**Friday April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

### —Session 3 —Truffle Ecology, Biodiversity and Conservation

**Chairs: Francisco ARENAS & Loubna ELFELS**

08 : 30 – 09 : 00      Interaction of the white truffle *Tuber magnatum* with bacteria and plants.

Alessandra ZAMBONELLI, University of Bologna, Italy.

09 : 00 – 10 : 00      Oral presentations :

- Diversity of Diptera feeding on truffle species.  
Marco LEONARDI, University of L'Aquila, Italy.
- Genome diversity of *Tuber borchii* in Sardinia.  
Martina DE MATTHEIS, University of L'Aquila, Italy.
- Study of mycology of Morocco: Truffles and desert truffles.  
Marwa OIKRIM, Faculty of Sciences of Rabat, Morocco.
- Moroccan Tuber spp. Identification and distribution.  
Chaimae MEYAD, Faculty of Sciences of Rabat, Morocco.

10 : 00 – 10 : 30      Discussion

**•Coffee Break•**

**— Poster session (10 : 30 – 11 : 00) —**

### —Session 1 —Truffle Ecology, Biodiversity and Conservation

**Chairs: Daniel OLIACH & Chouhra TALBI**

11 : 00– 11 : 30      Deciphering biodiversity and soil-plant feedbacks in the truffle environment for fitting best management practices to optimize the production of truffle systems.

José Antonio BONET, University of Lleida, Agrotecno-CERCA center, Spain.

11 : 30– 12 : 00      Oral presentations :

- Influence of habitat (plantation vs wild sites) structuring soil fungal communities associated in truffle sites (*Tuber melanosporum* and *Tuber aestivum* sites).

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Yasmin PINUELA, ID-Forest, Agrotecnio-CERCA center, Spain.

- **Lavender intercropped truffle cultivation in Türkiye.**  
Ismail SEN, Forest Science and Technology Centre of Catalonia, Lleida, Spain.

12: 00 – 13 : 30

Discussion

### •Lunch Break•

### —Session 4 — Sustainability and Environmental Aspects

Chairs: Marco LEONARDI & Houda TAIMOURYA

15 : 00 – 15 : 30

**Hungarian and European Protection of Truffles and Traditions.**

Zoltan DR BRATEK, Hungarian Truffling Federation, Hungary.

15 : 30 – 16 : 00

**Gastro-tourism using Moroccan Truffles as an economic driver for rural development.**

Helena WILLIAMS, Mohammed VI Polytechnic University, Morocco.

16 : 00 – 16 : 30

Oral presentations :

- **Exploring truffle tourism: an overview of experiences across Europe.**

Marta ROVIRA, Forest Science and Technology Centre of Catalonia, Lleida, Spain.

### —Coffee Break —

17 : 00 – 17 : 30

**La première truffière de *Tuber melanosporum* au Maroc: histoire de succès et défis**

Dr. Abdelaziz LAQBAQBI, Morocco.

17: 30 – 18 : 00

Discussion

### Attendance certificates' distribution

### —GALA DINER (Optional) – 20 : 00 – 23 : 00 —

Saturday April 12<sup>th</sup> , 2025

### —Middle Atlas Trip (Optional) -