

**MORE THAN 2000 YEARS OF MEDITERRANEAN DIET: A JOURNEY FROM ANCIENT
ROMANS TO THE UNESCO RECOGNITION IN 2010
THE CULTURAL DIMENSION OF FOOD**

18 September 2019 FAO – Sheikh Zayed Center 9.30- 13.30

Moderator: Mr Roberto Ridolfi- Ass. Director Gen. Programme Support- FAO

9.30-10.00 - Opening remarks

Prof. Qu Dongyu – Director-General, FAO

Amb. Elisabetta Belloni – Secretary General -Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

*Declaration on the Alliance for the promotion of the Mediterranean Diet principles for
Agenda 2030*

Prof. Lucio d’Alessandro – Rector of Suor Orsola Benincasa University

10-00- 11.30 - Session 1 – Mediterranean Diet - The history

Video projection

Dr. Alberto Angela – Paleontologist, writer and journalist

Prof. Marino Niola – Anthropologist, Co-Director MedEatResearch

Prof. Antonia Trichopoulou –MD, PhD, Head of WHO Collaborating Center for Nutrition and Health in Greece, President of the Hellenic Health Foundation

Prof. Pier Luigi Petrillo – Lawyer - Unesco Chair on Comparative Law and Intangible Cultural Heritage- Unitelma Sapienza University

Video projection

COFFEE BREAK

12.00– 13.30 - Session 2 - Mediterranean Diet –The rediscovery

Mrs Maria Helena Semedo – Deputy Director-General, Climate and Natural Resources, FAO

Mr. Vincenzo De Luca – Director General for Cultural and Economic Promotion, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

H.E. Alfonso Dastis – Ambassador of Spain to Italy and Permanent Representative of Spain to the UN Rome-Based Agencies

Prof. Elisabetta Moro - Anthropologist – Co-Director MedEatResearch

Prof. Lorenzo Maria Donini – Physician, Human nutrition expert - Sapienza University

Mrs Ana Luiza Massot Thompson-Flores - Director of the UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe

LUNCH BREAK

15.00-17.00 - Follow up event: Mediterranean Diet and GIAHS – Italian GIAHS Training Project - Towards a World Agricultural Heritage List, accompanied by photo exhibition

Moderator: Mrs Marcela Villareal -Director Partnerships FAO

Mr. Giorgio Marrapodi – Director General for Development Cooperation – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

Mr. Emilio Gatto – Director General for Rural Development – Ministry of Agriculture

Mr. René Castro Salazar – ADG, Climate, Biodiversity, Land and Water Department FAO

Prof. Mauro Agnoletti – University of Florence, Chairman of the GIAHS Scientific Advisory Group

Amb. Mohammad Hossein Emadi – Chair of COAG

Representatives of GIAHS' sites “Olive Groves of the Slopes between Assisi and Spoleto” and “Soave traditional vineyards”