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Third ISE Innovation Camp

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Venue: Real Marina

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The **Innovative Sustainable Economy Mission** of the **Interreg Euro-MED Programme** promotes the diffusion of methodological frameworks, tools and solutions for place-based transformative innovation.

Connecting and strengthening collaboration between local and place-based innovation ecosystems with broader interregional networks is key to addressing urgent sustainable development challenges in the Mediterranean more effectively.

The 2025 Innovation Camp, organised in collaboration with the **Joint Reaserch Centre**, is the third edition and will be hosted in Portugal (Olhao, Faro). It will focus on **three challenges related to climate adaptation and resilience of the agri-food systems**, including poor soil health, biodiversity loss, and weak climate resilience; **water scarcity** amid extreme weather events; high emissions and **non-circular agri-food supply chains**. In different sessions and working groups, we will explore the methods, spaces, governance models, policies, and technologies needed to better address these challenges moving towards more sustainable models.

The ISE Mission aims to promote synergies and collaboration with other European projects and initiatives that advance place-based transformation through innovation across the European Union. In this case, the Mission is aligning with the **EU Preparatory Action 'Innovation for place-based transformation'** supported by the Joint Research Centre.

Moreover, this camp builds on the outcome of the event **Living-Labs for mitigating climate change in agriculture** jointly organised and supported by several projects and organisations.

Expected Participants

- ISE Mission community: Mission projects partners and associated partners
- Members of the ISEC Hub and interested stakeholders
- Interreg and other cooperation project partners
- Representatives of Mediterranean governance institutions, strategies, initiatives, and programs
- Mediterranean regions participating in the EU Preparatory Action 'Innovation for place-based transformation'
- Mediterranean living labs and projects engaged in the Shared Agenda for Mitigating Climate Change in Agriculture
- S3 and innovation practitioners and policy makers

Format and structure of the agenda

The ISE Innovation Camps are **capacity building** events, fostering inspired and facilitated exchanges among actors from the four helixes of the innovation ecosystem, engaged in Mediterranean sustainable development at regional and territorial level. It is a space for capacity-building to test in practice the tools and frameworks of the ISE Mission, allowing an open and facilitated debate. Participants will be expected to actively engage and contribute during the workshop sessions, which are designed as dynamic exchanges.

Thursday 23rd October (Day 1)

9.00 - Registration and welcome

- **Presentation:** Methodological framework for addressing place-based challenges. How to bridge place-based with interregional transformative innovation?
- **Parallel working sessions** on the selected challenges
- **Lunch break**
- **Plenary session:** presentation and discussion of group working sessions
- **Roundtable discussion:** What kinds of spaces and processes are needed to connect place-based and interregional innovation ecosystems?

- Parallel meeting sessions and activities (in progress)

18.00 – End of Day 1

Friday 24th October (Day 2)

9.00 - Registration

- **Showroom:** Place-Based Challenges and Solutions
- **Parallel working sessions** (continuation from Day 1)
- **Lunch break**
- **Plenary session:** presentation and discussion of group results
- **Parallel sessions and activities** (open and closed sessions)

17.30 – End of Day 2



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