

## PARTNES



## FACTS



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EXCEL4MED



Excellence hub in green technologies:  
Introducing innovation ecosystems in  
the Mediterranean food value chain



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# Objectives

**O1:** To develop excellent and sustainable place-based process innovation ecosystems in Malta and Greece that contribute to the production of added-value food products and reduce waste along the food chain

**O2:** To create joint R&I strategies in teaming and developing concrete action plans and common investment plans for R&I in the area of food processing

**O3:** To create R&I pilot projects demonstrating food processing and valorization activities that reach a TRL 7

**O4:** To create new business opportunities especially for SMEs in the area of waste processing, and the production of functional foods.

**O5:** To achieve improved knowledge transfer and development of entrepreneurial skills while up-taking innovative green technologies in the area of food processing valorization

**O6:** To develop new competencies and skills for researchers, entrepreneurs and professionals in R&I domains of food science and creation of poles of attraction for talents in Greece and Malta

**O7:** To raise public and scientific awareness by providing effective dissemination and exploitation of project's outcomes through scientific events open to all parties/stakeholders including industrial/commercial user groups.

This **project** aims to:

- **high-impact strategies**
- business, collaboration**
- waste valorisation strategies**
- Improve food supply chains**

EXCEL4MED is an ambitious project that aims to establish an **Excellence Hub in Mediterranean fruit supply chains.**

