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IR₂MA

Large Scale Irrigation Management
Tools for Sustainable Water
Management in Rural Areas and
Protection of Receiving Aquatic
Ecosystems





Project basic facts





MIS Code: 5003280

Start: **10/12/2017**

End: 30/06/2021

Priority axis (PA): 2

Thematic objectives (TO)/

Priorities: 06

Investment Priority: 6f

Specific Objective (SO): 2.3

Total budget: **901.477,98** €

(54% GR, 46% IT)

Total certified expenditures at the end

of the project: 96.3%



IR2MA Consortium

- 1. UNIVERSITY OF IOANNINA Research Committee (<u>Uol</u>, PB1/LB Lead Partner)
- 2. **REGION of EPIRUS** (ROE, PB2)
- 3. ISTITUTO SCIENZE DELLE PRODUZIONI ALIMENTARI (ISPA/CNR, PB3)
- **4. ISTITUTO AGRONOMICO MEDITERRANEO BARI** (<u>IAMB</u>, PB4)
- **5. CONSORZIO PER LA BONIFICA DELLA CAPITANATA (CBC**, PB5)
- 6. REGION OF PUGLIA (ROP, associate partner)









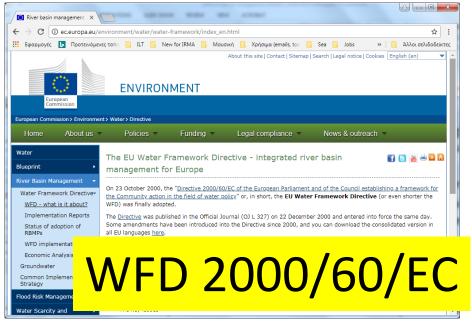






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IR2MA concept in a glance

















The IR2MA way

- Cooperation with Water and Land Reclamation Organisations and Environmental Agencies
- Mainstreaming efficient irrigation and drainage practices

- Applied research and demonstration activities
- Dissemination of results at local, regional and international levels



Relevance of the output

- The major water user in the programme area is agriculture
- Collaborative cross-border action for the identification, development and transfer of good practices in all levels, can lead to water resources protection in both qualitative and quantitative terms
- The solutions that were proposed, tested and validated in IR2MA, include:
 - cross-border cooperation between academic and research institutions, public authorities, irrigation water management organisations and end-users
 - tools and capacity building to integrate environmentally friendly processes with special attention to receiving aquatic ecosystems





Added-value

- Participatory approach including major stakeholders for irrigation water management in both countries and involvement of numerus other organizations and end-users in the project's activities (consultancy, applied research, training and events)
- Activities in 150.000 ha of participatory irrigation water systems in the Programme area
- Improved results regarding irrigation water and energy management (for example 42% less water and energy consumption for olive cultivation, 40% less water consumption for greenhouse plants)

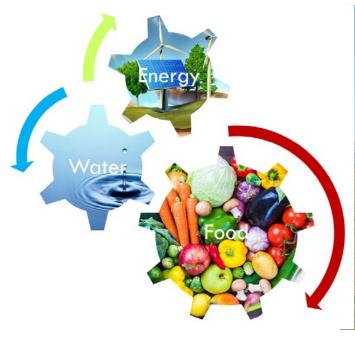


Ready-to-use



- 13 new stations for measuring weather and water parameters
- 200 irrigation audits for large irrigation systems and farms
- Application and testing of $\bf 3$ smart irrigation management systems
- 15 technical publications (studies / reports / guidelines)
- 10 articles for irrigation stakeholders and the public
- Organisation of f 8 and participation in f 10 open events (conferences, workshops)
- **10** presentations of scientific results



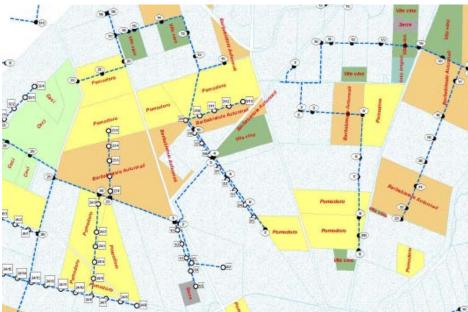


























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Potential for transfer

 The outputs of the project were decided to have a fully operating character

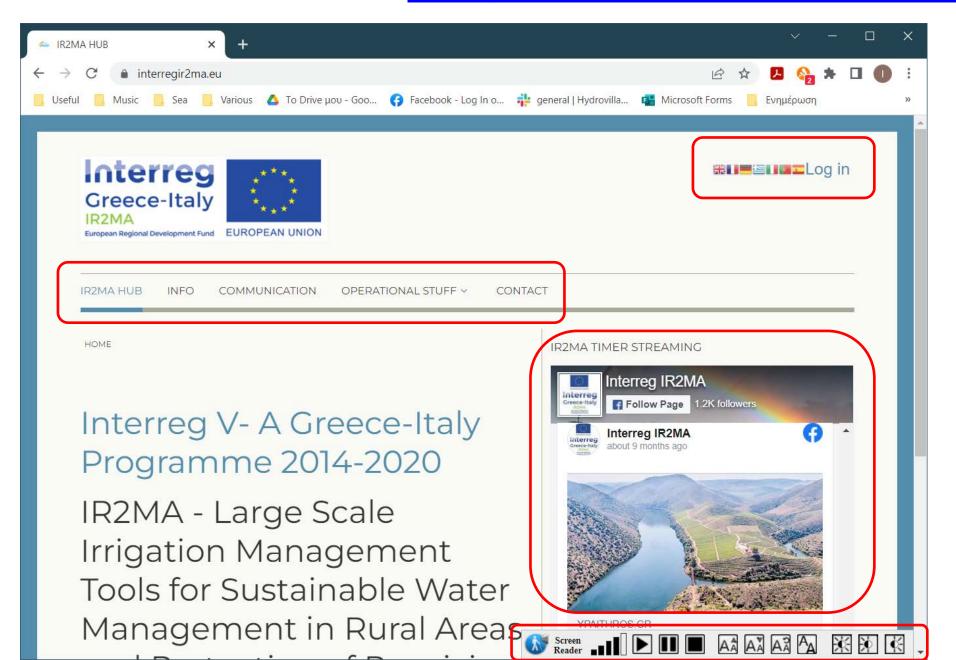
- IR2MA included deliverables which because of their character have the potential to be directly implemented in broader areas
- We are seeking for new collaborations and funding for the maintenance and expansion of the sensor networks, the application of services to irrigation water management organisations and R&D activities







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