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Halophyte-Driven Innovation for  
Sustainable Farming in  
Mediterranean Wetlands

## HALO-FORCE

- Italy
- Egypt
- Morocco
- Greece
- Turkey
- Croatia
- Portugal
- France

### Project Objectives:

The development and implementation of an integrated pipeline for the selection and validation of wild halophytic plant ecotypes based on functional traits is imperative in order to promote sustainable agricultural systems and nutritional resilience in saline and degraded Mediterranean environments. This should be achieved by linking ecological research with practical application by farmers. The pipeline combines ecological mapping, remote sensing, non-invasive phenotyping, multi-omics analysis, and participatory validation in farmer-managed nurseries,

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