



Executive summary for a Workshop entitled: “Grazed Woodlands in Lebanon: policies, initiatives and activities” (Activity 2.7.1)

The Lebanese Agricultural Research Institute (LARI) held on November 29, 2022 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm (Beirut time) an online workshop entitled: **“Grazed Woodlands in Lebanon: policies, initiatives and activities”**.

This workshop basic goals were:

- Giving an overview on the Lebanese national laws and legislations related to grazed woodlands
- Presenting the initiatives and activities established and performed by the Lebanese Ministry of Agriculture
- Role of the Lebanese Ministry of Agriculture in improving and reinforcing the sector
- Creating new opportunities for networking and sharing experiences
- Building connections for future collaborations

The workshop started in welcoming the audience by the Head of the olive and olive oil department at LARI and the national coordinator of the LIVINGAGRO project Dr. Milad El Riachy. Then, the acting Head of Rangeland Department at the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA), Engineer Zeina Tammim introduced the most important laws and decisions in the management of rangelands in Lebanon. Then Engineer Carla Al Jamous from the rangeland department at MOA presented different projects, activities and initiatives taking place in the management of rangelands in several Lebanese regions. The presentations were followed by a discussion and Q&A session about the two topics elaborated and most of the participants asked for the possibility of having a

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copy about the raised laws; while others showed interest in being more involved in the projects implemented in different Lebanese regions.

Policy makers, farmers, entrepreneurs, researchers, private companies, engineers, students from the Lebanese University and other interested economic and research stakeholders in the sector participated in this online workshop. A total of 35 participants attended the meeting.

The participants were impressed by the laws and projects presented. They also interacted actively with the speakers and shared their experiences and information related to the rangelands sector.

