



State of play of the PRIMA Programme, Roadmap & first Calls



PRIMA

PARTNERSHIP FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION
IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA

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PRIMA implementation

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PRIMA Implementation Structure

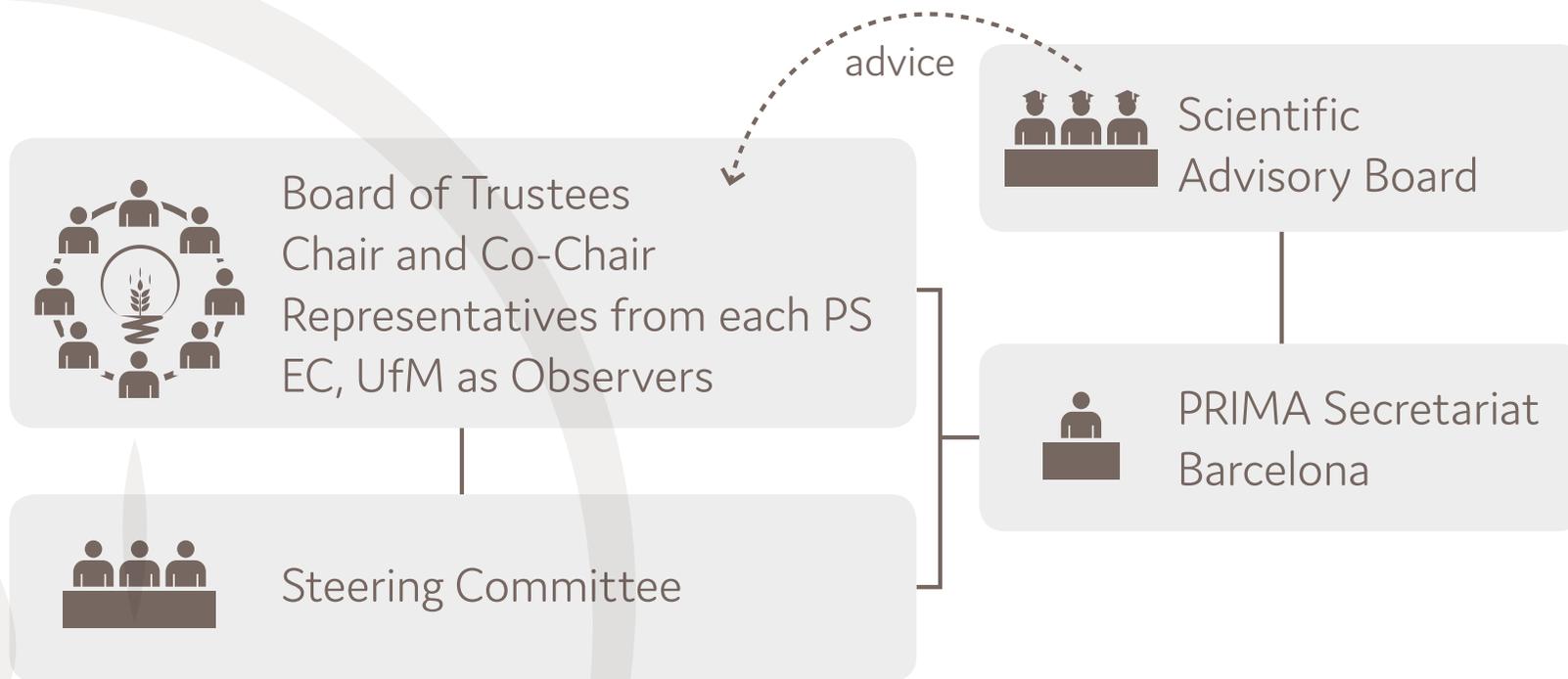
responsible for implementing PRIMA efficiently for receiving, allocating and monitoring the EU and PS financial Contributions and for ensuring that all necessary actions are undertaken to achieve the objectives of PRIMA"

PRIMA Decision EU 2017/1324



PRIMA Foundation in Barcelona,
independent private entity
based on Spanish law
established on 19th June 2017

PRIMA Foundation Governance



PRIMA operates as an independent legal private entity



since 19 June 2017
Foundation under Spanish law

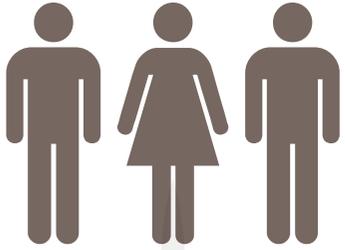


19 PSs members
of Foundation



Financial contribution
€ 274,000 PSs 
€ 220.000 EU 

PRIMA Foundation team and premises



PRIMA Foundation Team:

People working in the programme for 4 years;

People with experience in management of EU research and innovation projects.

PRIMA Foundation Offices in Barcelona



What we do

The PRIMA programme is implemented by the PRIMA Foundation on the basis of annual work plans.

PRIMA programmes supports **research and innovation** through:

- ✓ **Research & Innovation Actions RIA/IAs**;
- ✓ **Capacity building** in Euro-Mediterranean countries as a key transversal component of project proposals, enhancing research and innovation capacities in the field of water management and agro-food systems;
- ✓ **Networking, coordination**, collaboration and integration of national research programmes and activities among the PSs with specific activities managed directly by participating states;
- ✓ **National programmes alignment**, it will be ensured through PS contribution with PSIAS;
- ✓ **Involvement of critical mass of Stakeholders** (Scientific community, Civil Society, Businesses);

Towards Innovation uptake in the Mediterranean



Enhancing innovation potential in the Mediterranean to find concrete sustainable solutions to problems and opening new markets:

- ✓ with concrete activities to remove the barriers to innovation;
- ✓ unleashing the creative potential of innovators;
- ✓ reinforce innovation and fostering value creation;
- ✓ push forward concrete solutions from start-ups creating new businesses;
- ✓ open new markets;
- ✓ open to the world: Adopt innovation opening new markets also beyond Mediterranean borders.

3 Main Thematic Areas



MANAGEMENT OF WATER

Integrated and sustainable management of water for arid and semi-arid Mediterranean areas



FARMING SYSTEMS

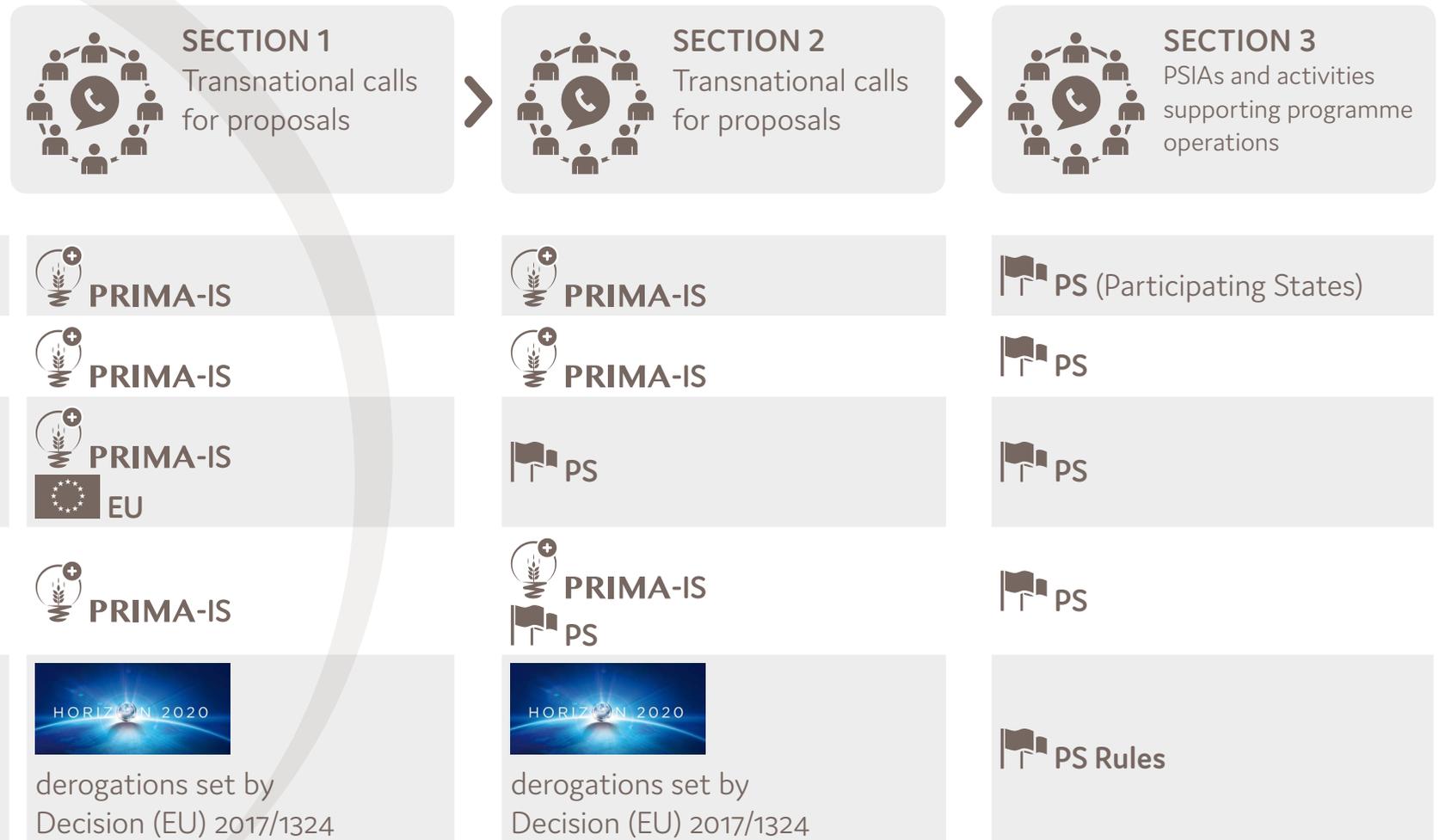
Sustainable farming systems under Mediterranean environmental constraints



AGRO-FOOD VALUE CHAIN

Sustainable Mediterranean agro-food value chain for regional and local development.

PRIMA programme structure



PRIMA AWP 2018



PRIMA will be based on the priorities described in the **PRIMA Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA)** following also comprehensive consultation process, involving multiple stakeholders;

ERANETMED

arimnet

AWP 2018 takes into account past and ongoing research and innovation experiences and best practices in the Mediterranean area achieved in **relevant EU projects** such as ERANETMED and ARIMNET;

Creation of a strong network of stakeholders from both shores of the Mediterranean with diverse background and mutual trust.



Type of Grants

RIA

Research and Innovation Action

Funding available for collaborative research projects tackling clearly defined challenges which can lead to the development of new knowledge or new technology.

IA

Innovation Action

Funding available for closer-to-the-market activities including prototyping, testing, demonstrating, piloting, scaling-up etc. for new or improved products, processes or services.



Derogation from H2020 Rules of Participation:

At least three legal entities. Each of the three must be established in a different EU Member State or Horizon 2020 associated country, out of which:

- at least one must be established in a Member State participating to PRIMA or sea Cyprus, Croatia, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain;
- at least one must be established in a third country bordering the Mediterranean Sea (MPC) considered as a Participating State: Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Tunisia, Turkey.



SECTION 1

RIA and IA calls

For the AWP 2018 one topic from each thematic area from the PRIMA SRIA have been selected by the PS (after Stakeholder forum and web-based public consultation over PRIMA SRIA).

Each topic will be addressed in a specific call:

THEMATIC AREA	CALL TOPIC	ACTION
	1 Water reuse and water desalination for agricultural and food production	RIA
	2 Improving the sustainability of Mediterranean agro-ecosystems	RIA
	3 Implementing innovation in Mediterranean Agri-food chains by smallholders and SMEs	IA



SECTION 1

Call calendar

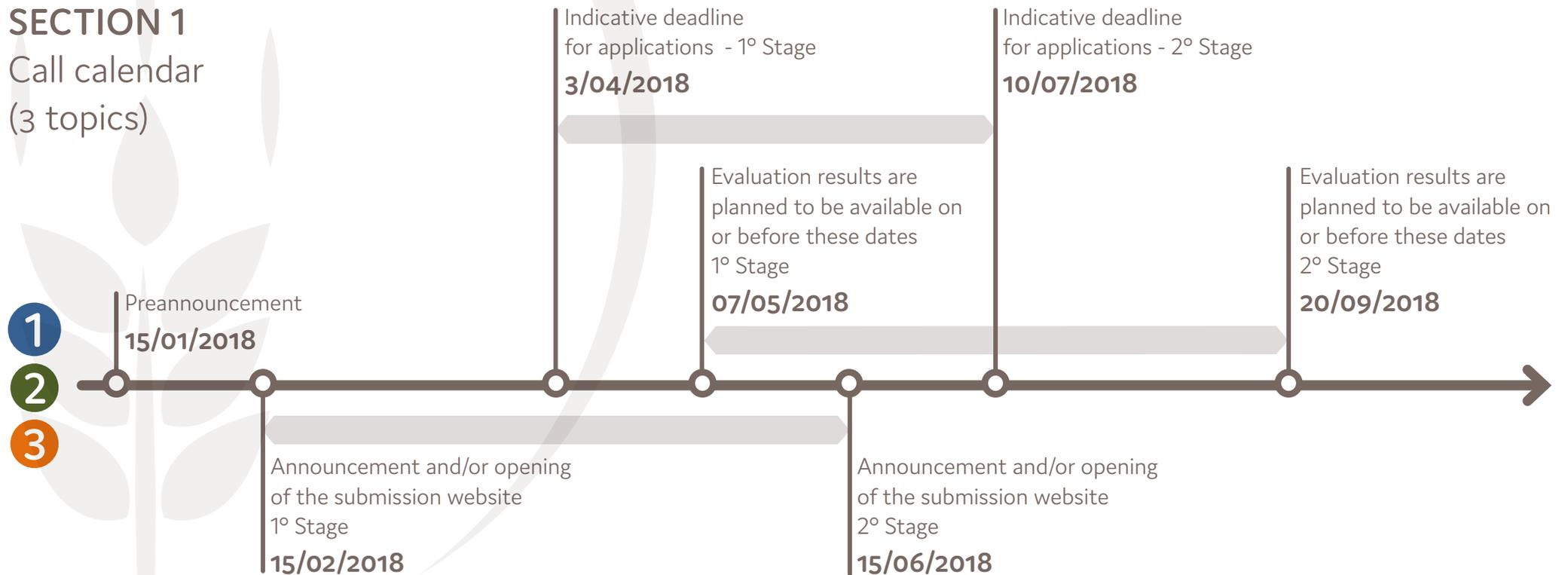
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Call calendar

(3 topics)





SECTION 2

RIA calls

THEMATIC AREA	CALL TOPIC	ACTION
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1.1 Water resources availability and quality within catchments and aquifers;1.2 Sustainable, integrated water management;1.3 Irrigation technologies and practice.	RIA
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2.1 Adaptation of agriculture to climate change;2.2 Preventing emergence of animal and plant pests and diseases;2.3 Farming Systems able to create employment and territorial development.	RIA
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">3.1 Valorising food products from traditional Mediterranean diet;3.2 Food safety and quality in local food chains;3.3 Health effects of the dietary shifts and promotion of healthy and sustainable diets for the Med populations.	RIA



SECTION 2

Call calendar

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Call calendar (9 topics)

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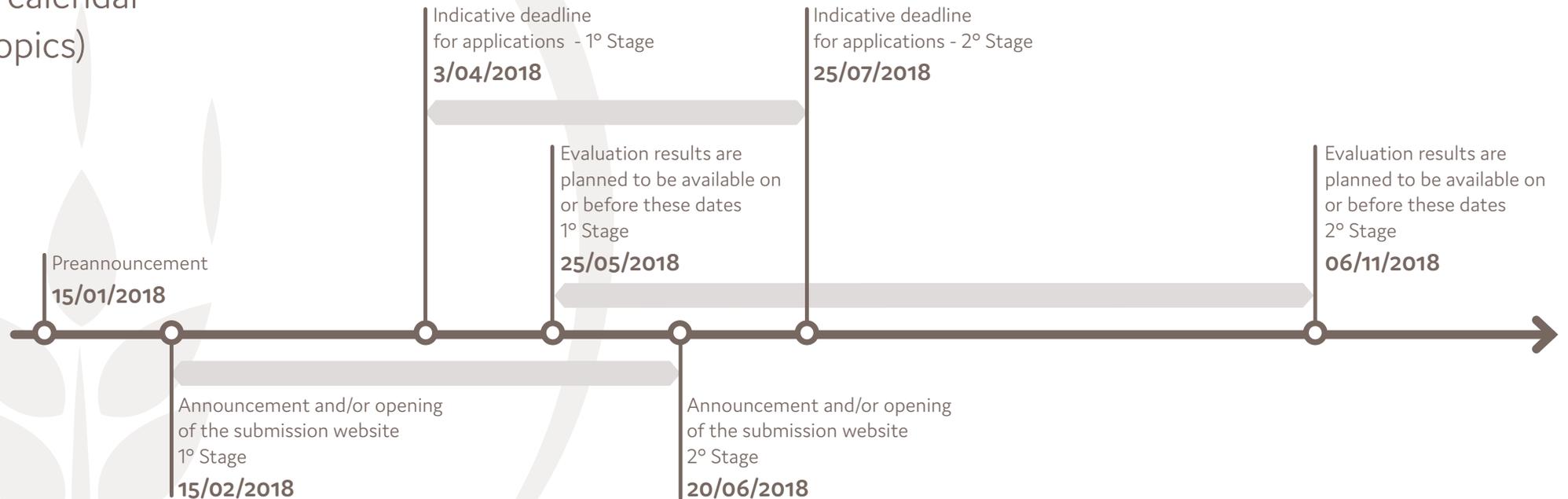
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SECTION 3

PSIAs (Participant States Initiated Activities) Activities supporting PRIMA

- ✓ Capitalization on results achieved by research and innovation projects;
- ✓ Networking, engagement and communication to stakeholders;
- ✓ Synergies with other related initiatives;
- ✓ Potential impact of PRIMA on Mediterranean societies including migrations;
- ✓ Enhancing Youth entrepreneurship;
- ✓ Assessment of PRIMA impacts in SDGs perspective.



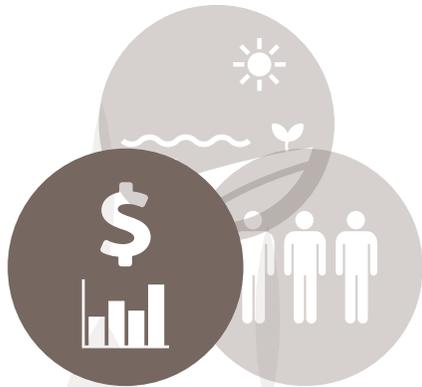
Dissemination of innovation



- ✓ Open Access in the Mediterranean area;
- ✓ Involvement of all societies (from scientific communities to businesses, to civil societies) of all Participant States;
- ✓ Strengthen link among scientific community and private sector to adopt innovative solutions aiming to solve problems in the Mediterranean area.

PRIMA Impacts

Economic Impacts



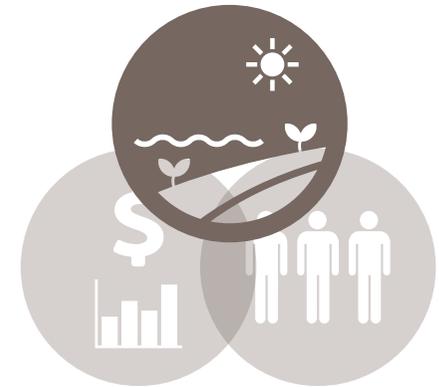
- ✓ Increase in production efficiency;
- ✓ Access to new markets;
- ✓ Greater funding options (InnovFin programme);
- ✓ Large-scale aggregate economic impacts.

Social Impacts



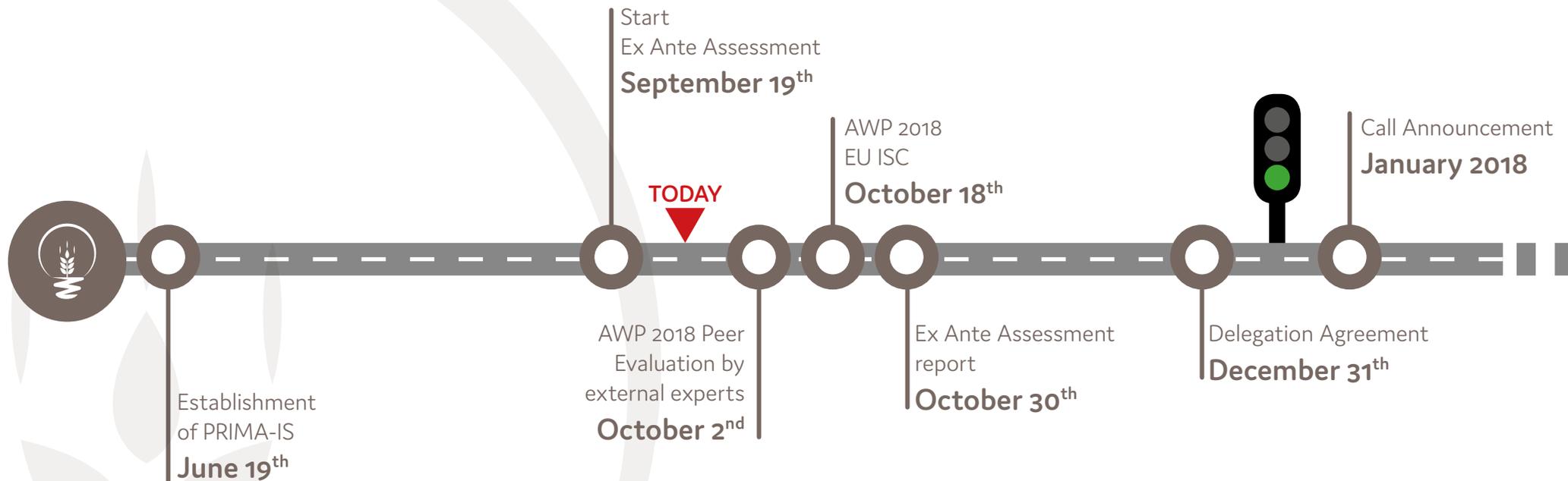
- ✓ Political stability and reduced migration.

Environmental Impacts



- ✓ Biodiversity conservation;
- ✓ Sustainable farming practices.

A 2017 PRIMA Roadmap





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