



Developing innovative strategies for the conservation of *Zelkova abelicea*

Workshop Program (preliminary)

Tuesday 17th September 2013

Introduction

10h00: welcoming by the Director of MAICH (George Baourakis) and introduction (Christina Fournaraki)

Part 1: International partners – Chair: Costas Thanos (University of Athens)

10h15-10h35: presentation by Gregor Kozlowski and Laurence Fazan (University of Fribourg) “An overview of the Project *Zelkova* and results from 3 years of research on *Zelkova abelicea* on Crete”

10h35-10h55: presentation by Giuseppe Garfi and Salvatore Pasta (National Research Council, Institute of Plant Genetics, Palermo) “Relict plants in time of global changes: integrated conservation actions to rescue *Zelkova sicula* from extinction”

10h55-11h15: presentation by Joachim Gratzfeld (BGCI) “An overview of BGCI’s tree conservation work around the world”

11h15-11h45: coffee break

Part 2: Local partners – Chair: Joachim Gratzfeld (BGCI)

12h45-12h05: presentation by Costas Thanos (University of Athens) “Regeneration of *Zelkova abelicea* and climate change impacts”

12h05-12h20: presentation by Katerina Koutsovoulou (University of Athens) “Inventorying and monitoring of *Zelkova abelicea* subpopulations in Crete”

12h20-12h40: presentation by Christina Fournaraki (MAICH) “Mediterranean Plant Conservation Unit of MAICH- Contribution to the ex situ conservation of *Zelkova abelicea*”

12h40-13h00: presentation by the Forest Directorate of Chania

13h00-14h00: lunch break

14h00 – 14h30: visit of the facilities of the Mediterranean Plant Conservation Unit at MAICH (seed bank, herbarium, botanic garden)

Part 3: Discussion

14h30-16h00: discussion on conservation actions (“round table”)

16h00-16h30: coffee break

16h30-18h00: continuation of discussions if needed and conclusions

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(Optional and at the cost of the participants)

Visit of *Z. abelicea* stands in the Levka Ori with the Forest Directorate of Chania