

# SmaCuMed PRIMA project :

Smart irrigation cube for sustainable agriculture in the Mediterranean region

## The International Conference on WATER-ENERGY-FOOD-ECOSYSTEM NEXUS in the Mediterranean Region

**Tuesday 15 – Friday 17, November 2023**

**The Mohammed VI Museum of Water Civilization in  
Morocco, Marrakech (Morocco)**

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- Food Characterization and Quality
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- Terrestrial and Aquatic Ecosystems
- Water Pollution and Water Quality
- Water Technologies and Innovations

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## WEFE2023

The SmaCuMed International Conference on Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystem Nexus in the Mediterranean (WEFE2023) will take place from 15th to 17th November 2023 in the Mohamed VI Museum of Water Civilization in Morocco (Marrakech, Morocco).

The SmaCuMed WEFE Nexus Conference is organized by the Cadi Ayyad University of Marrakech (Morocco) and the Karlsruhe University of Applied Sciences (Germany), under the framework of the PRIMA project SmaCuMed ([www.smacumed.eu](http://www.smacumed.eu)).

SmaCuMed "Smart irrigation Cube for sustainable agriculture in the Mediterranean region" is a joint research project from the European Union's EU-Prima initiative - A joint program focused on developing and applying solutions for food systems and water resources in the Mediterranean basin.

The Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystem Nexus (WEFE Nexus) approach highlights the interdependence of water, energy and food security and ecosystems – water, soil, and land – that underpin that security. The Nexus approach identifies mutually beneficial responses that are based on understanding the synergies of water, energy, and agricultural policies. It also provides an informed and transparent framework for determining the proper trade-offs and synergies that maintain the integrity and sustainability of ecosystems.

The Conference focuses on the Mediterranean dimension, but it is open to participants from outside the region who share the same interests and wish to learn from the Mediterranean experience.

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