

TERM OF REFERENCE FOR SHORT-TERM EXPERTS

1. General information

Project	Support for the development of Research and Innovation (IPTICAR)
Twinning reference	DZ 21 NDICI OT 01 24
Contract number	ENI/2024/457-891
Beneficiary	Algerian Researchers for Central region
Component	Component 3 A 3.3.4 – Specific training on PRIMA program
Expected result	To highlight the opportunities of future collaborations and joint activities within new PRIMA program.
Activity	PRIMA2 Institutional Conference: identifying research and innovation thematic priorities for Mediterranean countries over the next ten years and securing political support for this initiative. See Agenda in Annex 1
Mission in presence or remote	Presence in Algiers 3 University.
Number of working days	1 working day per expert
Dates	23 Sept 2026

2. Description of the Twinning project

The institutional twinning "Support for the development of research and innovation" is implemented by a European consortium composed of France (lead member state), represented by Expertise France (EF), Italy, represented by PIN and Sweden, represented by SPIDER - Stockholm University. Lasting 24 months, the general objective of the project is to support the MESRS in the reforms undertaken relating to the innovation of engineering of European projects by promoting Algerian research in the European R&I space.

The project is composed of 4 components:

- Appropriate governance in the National Research and Innovation System (SNRI) is put in place.
- Academic mobility flows to and from Algeria are increased.
- Algerian participation in European Research and Innovation (R&I) programs is increased.
- Euro-Algerian scientific cooperation in the Research and Innovation (R&I) area is boosted.

3. Description of the expert mission

- **Object of the mission**

Organize a high level institutional meeting to present and analyse the PRIMA programme's key pillars in relation to national research priorities. Prof. Angelo Riccaboni is full professor in Business Economics at the University of Siena, Chair of PRIMA, chair of SDSN Mediterranean and President of the Santa Chiara Lab. His speech will focus on the PRIMA opportunities for the Algerian research system and also on the future of PRIMA since in this period we are facing the process of bargaining with the European Commission for the second edition, namely PRIMA2. The representative of the Algerian government (MESRS), appointed in the PRIMA Board of Trustees, is part of this process.

- **Expected results**

The presentation of the PRIMA 2 program will allow the designing on national research strategies in collaboration with EU countries interested in the specific topics of the program. The meeting will represent an occasion of internal discussion to set Algerian priorities and strategic themes to address in future project proposal, taking advantages of PRIMA secretariat support and collaboration to build effective actions.

- **Output**

PRIMA2 Institutional Conference: identifying research and innovation thematic priorities for Mediterranean countries over the next ten years and securing political support for this initiative.

4. Expertise required and profiles

EU EXPERT	INSTITUTE	NATIONALITY	EXPERIENCE	PRESENCE/ REMOTE
Angelo RICCABONI	Univ SIENA	IT	President of PRIMA program for Italy	Presence
Simone CRESTI	Univ SIENA	IT	Prof/Researcher expert in international projects and PRIMA program	Presence

5. Beneficiaries involved

Representatives (researchers and NCP) of Ministries engaged with PRIMA program research topics (Agriculture, Water management, Renewable energies, research ...) and other Stakeholders

PROPOSED AGENDA

High level meeting on PRIMA in Algiers

Prof. Angelo Riccaboni, Chair of PRIMA

September 23th 2026

Venue: Nelson Mandela Conference Room. Algiers 3 University

09:30	Arrival and registration
09:30 - 9:45	Institutional welcome and introductory remarks. YOUSFATE Abderahmane, DCEU and BOUHICHA Mohamed, DGRSDT
09:45 - 10:00	The IPTICAR Project - Stefano Fabiani, PIN
10:00 - 10:15	The relevance of PRIMA for Algeria – LOUCIF SEIAD Mohamed, DGRSDT
10:15 - 10:45	PRIMA and PRIMA2 reality and perspectives – Angelo Riccaboni, Chair of PRIMA Foundation.
10:45 – 11:00	Opportunities for PRIMA – Representatives from Water Agriculture, Energy sectors.
11:00 – 12:00	Open discussion
	Closing remarks