# **EMEA Quarterly Newsletter**

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# EMEA PUBLICATIONS

# **External publications**



Trade networks and the productivity of MENA firms in global value chains

EMEA - 08.04.24



Why Brain Health Must Lead Migration System Reform

EMEA - 23.03.24







Brain-Healthy Cities: How Urban Planning Can Foster Healthy Brains and Minds Brain capital is crucial for global sustainable development

The Brain Economy: Advancing Brain Science to Better Understand the Modern Economy

EMEA - 15.01.24

EMEA - 16.03.24 EMEA - 25.01.24

## Reports



The role of debt in climate finance for the Mediterranean and Africa

EMEA - 02.04.24



WHO Technical Meeting "Measures of earlylife brain health at population level"

EMEA - 18.02.24



EMEA at COP28 Event Report

EMEA - 27.11.23

# EMEA EVENTS



EMEA Webinar: Workplace Brain Capital: Unlocking Economic Vitality and Human Flourishing

EMEA - 25.04.24



EMEA Webinar: Africa's Key Role in the Brain Economy

EMEA - 13.03.24



EMEA Webinar: "The role of debt in climate finance for the Mediterranean and Africa"

EMEA - 28.02.24

# **EMEA ACTIONS**

**EMEA Webinar on Workplace Brain Capital completed successfully** 

EMEA - 26.04.24

**EMEA and Warrd for Information Technology sign MoU** 

EMEA - 23.04.24

EMEA President Prof. Rym Ayadi delivers keynote speech at the 2nd Annual Stocktaking Meeting of the GEF-UNEP Mediterranean Sea Programme

EMEA - 22.04.24

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EMEA Webinar: Workplace Brain Capital: Unlocking Economic Vitality and Human Flourishing EMEA – 22.04.24

#### **EMEA becomes UNEP/MAP Partner**

EMEA - 19.04.24

EMEA Advisor and neuroscientist, Harris Eyre, introduces brain power at the Edison Electric Institute's Global Electrification Forum 2024

EMEA - 17.04.24

EMEA President Prof. Rym Ayadi co-signs open letter to the G20 Leaders

EMEA - 16.04.24

EMEA leads session and workshop at the INTERREG Green Living Areas Thematic Community Kick-off Event in Turin

EMEA - 15.04.24

EMEA Advisor, Harris Eyre, engages in dialogue with the Brain and Mind Institute at the Aga Khan University

EMEA - 04.04.24

**EMEA and ICARUS AI Inc sign MoU** 

EMEA - 01.04.24

EMEA President Rym Ayadi and Advisor Harris Eyre participate at the Milan Longevity Summit

EMEA - 26.03.24

Paper on the importance of brain health on migration system reform co-authored by R. Ayadi, H. Eyre, W. Hynes and E. Stotts-Lee published by the Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy

EMEA participates to Monaco Ocean Week 2024

EMEA - 20.03.24

EMEA - 23.03.24

EMEA and the Arab International Women's Forum - AIWF sign MoU

EMEA - 19.03.23

Paper on Brain-Healthy Cities co-authored by Rym Ayadi and Harris Eyre published by the Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy

EMEA - 16.03.24

EMEA Webinar "Africa's Key Role in the Brain Economy" completed successfully

EMEA - 13.03.24

EMEA Project Manager, Joanna Grodzka, participates in Green Living Areas Thematic Project Kickoff

EMEA - 13.03.24

EMEA Webinar: Africa's Key Role in the Brain Economy

EMEA - 13.03.24

**EMEA sponsors and participates to CEPS IDEAS Lab 2024** 

EMEA - 07.03.24

EMEA supports the Women Entrepreneur Awards 2024 in Tunisia

EMEA - 04.03.24

EMEA Webinar "The role of debt in climate finance for the Mediterranean and Africa" completed successfully

EMEA - 01.03.24

EMEA participates and sponsors CEPS Ideas Lab 2024

EMEA - 27.02.24

EMEA and CREAF sign MoU to enhance collaboration on the Euro-Mediterranean ecosystems

EMEA - 27.02.24

Commentary on the need to end plastic pollution co-authored by EMEA advisors Harris Eyre and Nathalie Hilmi published by the Psychiatric Times

EMEA - 22.02.24

EMEA Advisors H. Eyre and P. Swieboda featured in WHO event report on early life brain health

EMEA - 18.02.24

EMEA Webinar: "The role of debt in climate finance for the Mediterranean and Africa"

EMEA - 14.02.24

EMEA President Prof. Rym Ayadi participates at the VIII Mediterranean Central Banks Conference

EMEA - 14.02.24

20th International Conference on Pension, Insurance and Saving

EMEA - 12.02.24

**EMEA releases report on its events at COP28** 

EMEA - 08.02.24

EMEA Webinar: "The role of debt in climate finance for the Mediterranean and Africa"

EMEA - 08.02.24

EMEA President R. Ayadi and EMEA Advisors H. Eyre, N. Hilmi, E. Ernst, and P. Swieboda participate in event on Brain Capital organised by the European Brain Council

EMEA - 01.02.24

CROSS-REIS Project Kick-off meeting in Niš, Republic of Serbia

EMEA - 01.02.24

**EMEA and Centre Scientifique de Monaco sign MoU** 

EMEA - 25.01.24

Brain capital policy guidance published in Lancet Neurology

EMEA - 25.01.24

EMEA Researcher Sara Ronco participates at the official launch of the Heritage International Institute

EMEA - 23.01.24

**EMEA hosts high level discussion on Brain Capital and Nature Capital** 

EMEA - 19.01.24

**EMEA and the Heritage International Institute sign MoU** 

EMEA - 19.01.24

Why a World of Debt is a Growing Burden to Global Prosperity

EMEA - 13.03.24

Brain economy report co-authored by EMEA President R. Ayadi and EMEA Advisors H. Eyre, W. Hynes, P. Swieboda, launched at the World Economic Forum

EMEA - 15.01.24

EMEA and the Regional Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (RCREEE) sign MoU

EMEA - 12.01.24

# EMEA NEWS COMMENTARY

Climate and Global Crises: \$11bn boost for World Bank as Rich Nations pledge spending assistance for poor Countries

EMEA - 26.04.24

Net Financial Flows to Developing Countries take a Nosedive

EMEA - 24.04.24

Without Debt Relief, Climate Spending Costs could render 47 heavily-populated Countries insolvent, report warns

EMEA - 23.04.24

EMEA's President co-signs open letter urging G20 Leaders to reshape ailing global financial system

EMEA - 19.04.24

G20 Workers Grouping pressing for a "New Social Contract"

EMEA - 11.04.24

Arctic Ice Expanding, Antarctic Ice Shrinking, say polar experts

EMEA - 08.04.24

Gender inequality creating global health and care work crisis, reveals WHO report

EMEA - 01.04.24

EU and Egypt announce €7.4bn deal to boost economy and regional stability

EMEA - 27.03.24

EU to resume staged UNRWA funding

EMEA - 22.03.24

Africa "accelerates action" on Global Financial Architecture Reform

EMEA - 19.03.24

Why a World of Debt is a Growing Burden to Global Prosperity

EMEA - 13.03.24

Brazil unveils FX Hedging programme to boost Sustainable Investment

EMEA - 08.03.24

Chinese leader's latest support for Africa seen as a win-win situation at 37th AU Summit

EMEA - 07.03.24

US and China work on debt relief plans to stave off emerging market defaults

EMEA - 02.03.24

Call for Climate Finance to exceed \$2.4 trillion but is the pledged cash anywhere near materialising?

EMEA - 22.02.24

The Global Clock is ticking on managing the costs of ageing populations

EMEA - 19.02.24

Breakdown of Major Atlantic Ocean Current could worsen Extreme Climate Impacts, new study warns

EMEA - 15.02.24

# The Global Climate and Development Challenges that could be transformed under the Brazilian G20 Presidency

EMEA - 10.02.24

Debt Swaps: Do they overpromise and underdeliver?

EMEA - 02.02.24

Ten Key Focus Points and Reaction from the 2024 Davos World Economic Forum

EMEA - 24.01.24

The Global Economy is at a Turning Point and facing four Major Challenges, expert warns

EMEA - 23.01.24

Financial Regulators set to get tough on Greenwashing

EMEA - 15.01.24

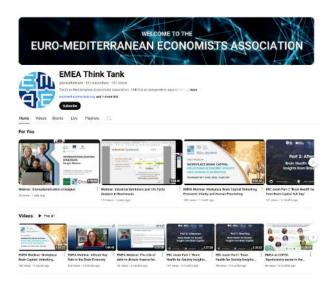
Global Warming will keep increasing beyond 1.5°C targets, warns IEA

EMEA - 08.01.24

Post COP28: IUCN backs support for nature and a world free from fossil fuels

EMEA - 04.01.24

# EMEA VIDEOS



**Check the EMEA YouTube Channel** 

# EMEA ACTIVITIES NETWORKS



### **Publications**

### **Working Papers**

EMANES WP 074: Solutions for Unleashing Firm Innovativeness: The Role of Gender Dynamics and Standardisation

**EMANES - 14.04.24** 

### **Reports**



EMANES Annual Conference 2023 Event Report

EMEA - 22.02.24



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EMANES - 09.01.24

### **News**

The Structural Change and Economic Dynamics journal published the paper "Trade Networks and the Productivity of MENA Firms in Global Value Chains" in their June 2024 issue

**EMANES - 08.04.24** 

**EMEA releases the EMANES Annual Conference 2023 Event Report** 

**EMANES - 22.02.24** 

Paper presented at the EMANES Conference 2023 was published by the Structural Change and Economic Dynamics Journal

**EMANES - 16.01.24** 



#### **Events**



EMGN Annual Conference 2023:
"Assessing the Suitability of Traditional
Guarantee Schemes to Drive the
Growth of the Green Economy in the
Mediterranean"

EMGN - 17.01.24



EMGN Winter Academy 2024: Financial Inclusion and Digitalisation

EMGN - 15-16.01.24

#### News

EMGN coordination team meets at EMEA offices following the presentation of the Network at the UFM Senior Official Meeting

EMEA - 24.02.24

EMGN Winter Academy 2024 training workshop "Financial Inclusion and Digitalisation" completed: Key highlights from the event

**EMEA/EMGN - 19.01.24** 

# **PROJECTS**



### **Events**



Navigating the Waves of Cultural and Creative Entrepreneurship in the Southern Mediterranean: CREACT4MED Annual Conference III and Med CCI Hub Event

CREACT4MED - 30-31.01.24

### **Videos**

**Check the CREACT4MED YouTube Channel** 

### **Best Practices**

**Check the CREACT4MED Best Practices Repository** 

#### **News**

**CREACT4MED Best Practice Award Public Vote Opens On The 21st March** 

CREAT4MED - 15.03.24

CREACT4MED Announces The Winners Of The Call For Enhancing Regional Cooperation In The Southern Mediterranean

CREACT4MED - 15.03.24

CREACT4MED Holds 3rd EU-Southern Neighbourhood Dialogue Covering Euro-Mediterranean Cooperation In The Cultural And Creative Industries

CREACT4MED - 08.02.24

3rd CREACT4MED Annual Conference And Med CCI Hub Brought Together Over 100 Experts And Mentors From The Southern Mediterranean And Beyond

CREACT4MED - 01.02.24

**CREACT4MED Training Academy Success Story: E-Tafakna** 

CREACT4MED - 17.01.24



#### News

EMEA Researcher Ivan Hajdukovic concludes Research Visit at the University of Cambridge's Department of Land Economy

EMEA - 03.04.24

EMEA launches Working Group on agroforestry under the Reforest Project and the STA

EMEA - 26.03.24









All INVESTMED deliverables are available at the INVESTMED Website

# ABOUT EMEA





It strives to contribute to the rethinking of the Euro-Mediterranean and Africa partnerships in view of the new dynamics of an emerging multi-polar world and amidst of protracted crises.

EMEA has a large network of economists, high-level experts and institutional partners (research institutes, think tanks and universities) in the Euro-Mediterranean and Africa. EMEA builds on the collaborative research network MEDPRO (funded by the EU's Seventh Framework Programme (2009-13) and provides forward-looking thinking and political and socio-economic integrated analyses on the Euro-Mediterranean region.



EMEA is also the promoter and co-funder of the **EU-Mediterranean and African Network for Economic Studies -EMANES**, a collaborative and innovative regional network of 34 economic and policy research institutions and think tanks from 18 countries in Europe, the Mediterranean and Africa, working towards a renewed vision for socio-economic development that brings prosperity, sustainability, inclusion and resilience.

EMANES, formerly EMNES, was founded in 2014 with the financial support of the European Union under Grant Contract no. ENPI/2014/354-488 (2014-2019). As of January 2020, EMANES is coordinated and funded by the Euro-Mediterranean Economists Association.



EMEA promotes and co-funds the **Euro-Mediterranean Guarantee Network (EMGN)**, which aims to alleviate the region's structural constraints for MSMEs to access to finance by gathering guarantee schemes active in the countries of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership.



The **CREACT4MED project** builds on the research work conducted by the EMEA and EMNES in the past years on emerging socio-economic trends, challenges and needs in order to develop a renewed vision of socio-economic development in the South Neighbourhood Countries (SNCs). It aims to boost entrepreneurship and job creation for youth and women through the cultural and creative industries in the Southern Neighborhood of the European Union. CREACT4MED is coordinated by the Euro-Mediterranean Economists Association and is co-funded by the European Union.



Reforest is an Horizon Europe-funded project aiming at fostering innovation, supporting knowledge exchange, and providing novel solutions to empower farmers in Europe and associated countries to deliver multiple objectives: food production, carbon capture, and biodiversity. EMEA leads workpackage on Finance and policy, and also is in charge of the co-creation and capitalisation strategy and actions of the project. EMEA aims to develop the financing mechanisms that enable economic sustainability of agroforestry business models and define the policy recommendations that allow their implementation at EU level. The capitalisation strategy developed by EMEA will allow as well to analyse the wider impact of the project in other regions with climate actions on agroforestry.



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The **CROSS-REIS** project aims to raise excellence in science and value creation through deeper and geographically inclusive cooperation in alliance of higher education and research institutions in 5 widening and 4 science-leading European countries, to support the shift towards a regenerative economy paradigm. Global competitiveness and visibility of the Higher Education institutions in widening countries are to be improved by creating critical knowledge and research mass through cooperation with leading European research institutions in the area of the regenerative economy directly aimed towards the twin green and digital transitions.

Community 4 Living Areas (C4LA) is a governance project under the INTERREG Euro-MED Green Living Areas mission that aims to improve Mediterranean citizens' lives by promoting the development of green living areas. It undertakes projects that bring local communities to life with green development at their centre, reducing negative climate impacts on the region's ecosystems and enhancing climate resilience. C4LA aims to build a community among thematic projects and facilitate resource transfers to stakeholders, focusing on technical and strategic content.

