

## Networking and Technology Transfer of the OLEUM Project

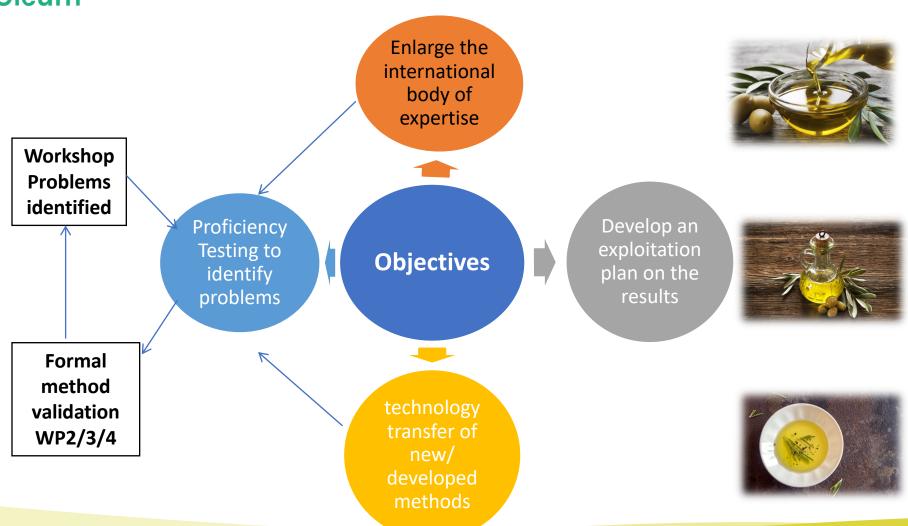
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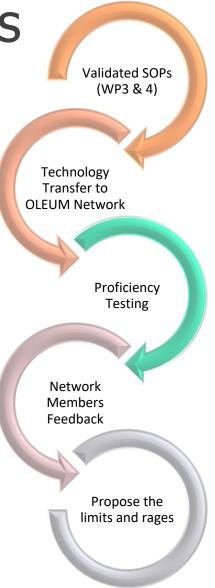
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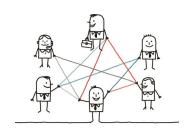
## **OLEUM Network aims**

... to <u>enlarge the expertise</u> in the analysis of olive oils, by congregating a wide user community of laboratories and related stakeholders active in the analysis and authentication of olive oil and transferring analytical knowledge obtained in project to the network in a series of training courses and workshops.





# Composition of OLEUM Network:

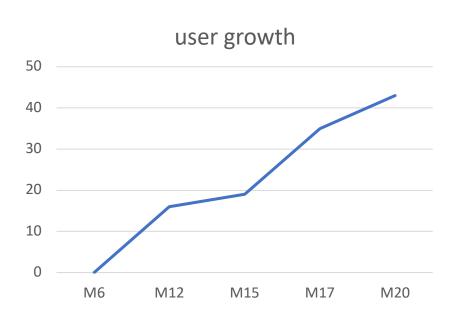


Composition of the network should involve all stakeholders in the OO sector, including but not limited to:

- Institutional/official authorities;
- Research centres (including Universities);
- Control laboratories;
- Olive oil producers and other interested commercial companies (e.g. producers of instruments, etc.);
- Consumer associations/consumers.



## Functionality and Structure of the Oleum OLEUM Network



#### Part 1: LinkeinIn Groups based





## Part 1 : Question of the Month

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- Overall Stakeholder Engagement
- General information dissemination to increase outreach, (material uploaded the OLEUM website, newsletter and Twitter.
- Perhaps identify potential members for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Network platform (basecamp)

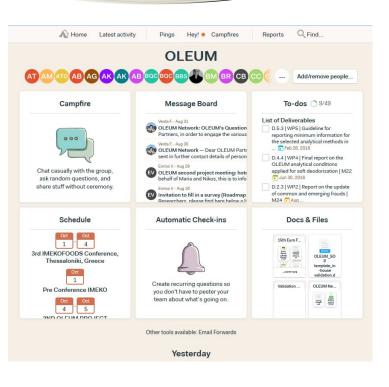


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### PART 2: **OLEUM Basecamp**

#### Purpose:

- Technology transfer to a specific selected group
- Groups' closed discussions
- Exchange of private messages/Networking
- document sharing(files)
- Troubleshooting specific problems related to the technology transfer



# Structure of the Network in Basecamp:

- OLEUM Network → general —
- OLEUM Network → institutional/ official authorities
- OLEUM Network → research centers
- OLEUM Network → control laboratories
- OLEUM Network → olive oil producers & other interested comm companies
- OLEUM Network → consumer associations/consumers

with access to all members)

access only to the relevant stakeholders belonging to that subgroup



## **Network List:**

- The network list is currently comprised of >150 People from 25 Countries around the world.
- Curated by QUB with the input from all OLEUM partners
- when new contact details are sent in, are posted on the Project Basecamp Portal
- Continue building the network through various dissemination activities





## Why joining the Network?

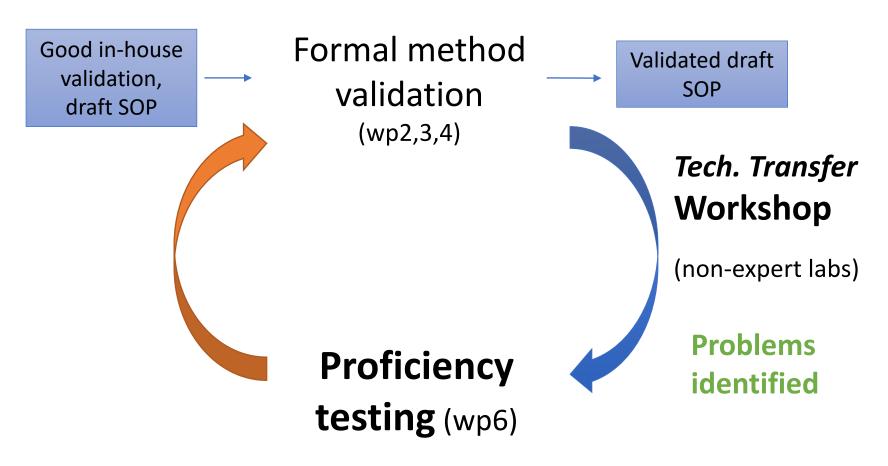
### OLEUM e-platform will offer the following:

- The information portal for OO analysis
- A place where various stakeholders can a) find new/developed/revised methods and b) share their methods and discuss, (give feedback, share experiences)
- Give an overview of all laboratories and people involved
- Inform about upcoming events related to this field
- Inform the registered users by e-mail about updates



## 'Holistic' Validation Process

Training and technology transfer in candidate methods



**Problems identified** 



# Training Workshops

- Four (4) training workshops will be organized by QUB and UNIUD, with the collaboration of all OLEUM partners.
- One workshop per canditate method
- SCOPE: get feedback from the stakeholders to improve method description
- locations: good geographical balance to ensure effective technical dissemination





# Proficiency Testing (PT)



SCOPE: to check how well individual non-expert labs perform with the SOP of the method

- FAPAS were selected as a provider for their expertise (it is the worlds largest food PT scheme).
- The results of PT will identify problems with the application and use of the validated SOPs, prior to their final standardization.
- The OLEUM Network members will be notified



## **Next Steps**

- Building on the OLEUM Network: recruit and facilitate engagement
- Await candidate methods from the OLEUM partners.
- Provide draft SOP advice (WP2)
- Evaluate suitability for formal validation study (WP2)
- Prepare for the Proficiency Testing
- Scout locations for the workshops



### Thank you for your attention

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