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Fundación Triptolemos is a private entity with international projection that promotes the sustainable and balanced development of **Food Systems that it defines in 4 axes or interrelated macro areas: economy; policies and regulations; availability and accessibility; and knowledge, behavior and culture. And in the conviction that there can be no sustainable and socially balanced development, if a balance is not maintained between all of them. The objective is to contribute with its actions to adequate and sustainable food for the entire population and at fair and affordable prices, in which citizens can trust, to the progress and social well-being and to the dignification of the sector, in accordance with knowledge, proven science and technology. The engine of the system is ethical and responsible business activity. It is open to any new addition who shares its goals.**

- **Federico Mayor Menéndez elected new president of the Triptolemos Foundation**



Federico Mayor Menéndez has been unanimously elected president of the Triptolemos Foundation. The new president has led the Institute of Molecular Biology of the UAM since 2017 and has been Director of the Physiological and Pathological Processes Program of the Severo Ochoa Center for Molecular Biology (CBM) since 2023. He was a Fulbright scholar at Duke University, in the laboratory of Dr. R. J. Lefkowitz, Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2012. He serves on several scientific advisory boards. He is vice-president of the Severo Ochoa

Foundation and has chaired the Spanish Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (SEBBM), of which he was named Honorary Member. He is Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology in the Department of Molecular Biology of the Autonomous University of Madrid (UAM). Since 1998, he has led a research group at the CBM Severo Ochoa (CSIC-UAM) focused on cell signalling and associated pathologies. He also stands out for his teaching activity, his work as an international scientific evaluator and his participation as a speaker in numerous conferences combining research, management and communication.

- **Triptolemos Foundation: Its vision for transforming the sustainable food system is a worldwide pioneer. This requires a global deal based on science and technology.**

It is essential to guarantee safe, healthy, sustainable and sufficient food at affordable prices for the entire population, as well as fair prices for the entire value food chain. All of this in the face of global challenges such as climate change, geopolitical uncertainty, societal polarization, misinformation, and technological transformation. The food system is strategic and highly complex, involving a multitude of interrelated factors, but food is a fundamental right. The driving force of the system is ethical and responsible business activity, based on proven science and technology, and facilitating and streamlining its work is a priority.

To address the major food challenges, the **Triptolemos Foundation promotes a systemic vision** (endorsed by a UNESCO Chair), **which it defines in four interrelated axes or macro areas**: 1) availability and accessibility (climate change, raw materials, water, agricultural production, livestock, fisheries, processing, distribution, energy, GHG, packaging, etc.); 2) Economy (prices, costs, taxes, profits, international trade, summits, fairs, etc.); 3) legislation, rights, and regulations; and 4) knowledge, behaviour and culture (communication, training, nutrition, habits, beliefs, diets, gastronomy, etc.). The four pillars are aligned with the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This pioneering food system approach by the Triptolemos Foundation features a **quantitative model** that allows for the diagnosis and analysis of food system trends and enjoys the support of all its [members](#).



Food challenges will only be resolved if they are **approached holistically as a system**, considering all its variables and not just economic or environmental ones. Balance will function, as occurs in biological systems, when no factor dominates any other. If any variable or area dominates, the balance is destroyed with serious consequences (inequalities, hunger, climate catastrophes, obesity, conflicts, etc.).



To achieve a **sustainable and socially balanced food system**, action must be taken on all four axes with commitment and coordination. All of this requires a global deal based on science and technology that includes governments, financial institutions, investors, businesses, and all social sectors and committed citizens, **all rowing together in the fight against climate change and inequality, and to achieve a balanced sustainable food system**. We must remember that innovation is a central component of this global deal, and that we all need to eat every day.

- **Creation of the "Network of UNESCO Chairs and partners for inclusive and Open Knowledge in Sustainable Food Systems"**



The UNESCO Chair "*Science and Innovation for Sustainable Development: Global Food production and Food Safety*" of the Triptolemos Foundation and the UNED has promoted the initiative to establish the informal NETWORK of UNESCO Chairs and partners for Inclusive and Open Knowledge in Sustainable Food Systems,

which already has **10 chairs representing 8 countries and 4 UNESCO regions**. The NETWORK, coordinated by the Triptolemos Foundation, aims to **expand the concept of sustainable food systems** in a global environment where education, science and culture play a key role in facing the great challenges facing society and the planet. The RED pivots on the 4 macro areas in which the Triptolemos Foundation defines the food system and its main objective is to constitute a forum for meeting, study, dialogue, debate, participation, collaboration and training between the areas inherent to the global sustainable food system and to contribute to its improvement and optimization.

 <p>UNESCO Chair On Asia-Pacific Water-Food-Environment Nexus WUHAN UNIVERSITY CHINA</p> 	  <p>Chair Community Sustainability: From Local to Global</p>
 <p>1290 UNIVERSIDADE D COIMBRA</p> <p>CÁTEDRA UNESCO EM BIODIVERSIDADE E CONSERVAÇÃO PARA O DESENVOLVIMENTO SUSTENTÁVEL UNESCO CHAIR IN BIODIVERSITY SAFEGUARD FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT</p>	   <p>Organização das Nações Unidas para a Educação, a Ciência e a Cultura</p> <p>Cátedra UNESCO de Cooperação Sul-Sul para o Desenvolvimento Sustentável, Universidade Federal do Pará, Brasil</p>
 <p>UNESCO Chair ESCI-UPF In Life Cycle and Climate Change</p>	 <p>UNESCO Chair on Conservation and Ecotourism of Riparian and Deltaic Ecosystems Department of Natural Environment and Climate Resilience Democritus University of Thrace</p> 
 <p>United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization</p>  <p>UNESCO Chair in World Food Systems France</p>  <p>Montpellier SupAgro National Institute for Higher Education in Agricultural Sciences</p>	 <p>Chaire UNESCO sur la gestion de l'eau en République Centrafricaine LABORATOIRE HYDROSCIENCES LAVOISIER</p>  
 <p>Chair Food, Culture and Development</p>  <p>Universitat Oberta de Catalunya</p>	  <p>UNESCO Chair on Science and Innovation for Sustainable Development: Global Food Production and Food Safety</p>  <p>Chair</p> <p>Coordinator of the Network</p>

• Conference "Artificial Intelligence and Sustainable Food System"

The conference organized by the Triptolemos Foundation and the International Chair of Artificial Intelligence of the University of Cordoba, will take place on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. in the Mudéjar Room of the University of Cordoba, a member of the Triptolemos Foundation. This conference, in a hybrid format, will address how **Artificial Intelligence is a key tool** in line with promoting

a balanced development of Food Systems and in their contribution to making them fairer, healthier and more sustainable. **Include Use cases or success stories** applied by leading and committed companies and as a factor of competitiveness. The food sector is crucial to the EU because of its economic, social and environmental impact and its **Technological transformation**. To achieve balance in sustainable food systems, it is essential. [Confirm attendance](#)



**Inteligencia Artificial y
Sistema Alimentario Sostenible**

Martes 18 de
noviembre de 2025

Sala Mudéjar
Universidad de Córdoba

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- **José Pío Beltrán is named honorary member of the Triptolemos Foundation**



The Triptolemos Foundation recognises the professional career of José Pío Beltrán, who has chaired the Triptolemos Foundation between 2019 and 2023 and contributed to consolidating the Foundation as a benchmark institution around sustainable food systems. Professor José Pío Beltrán Porter, a **leading scientist** in biotechnology, held numerous positions and was the creator of the Institute of Molecular and Cellular Biology of Plants (IBMCP), a joint center of the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC) and the Polytechnic University of Valencia (UPV), where he was also a research professor. He has been **vice-president of the CSIC**, institutional coordinator of the CSIC in the Valencian Community and coordinator of the Area of Biology and Biomedicine at the National Agency for Evaluation and Foresight (ANEP). **He**

chaired the European Plant Science Organization (EPSO) between 2014 and 2018 and the European Federation of Plant Biology Societies (FESPB). He was president of the Bioethics Committee of the CSIC and member of the Board of Governors of the **Joint Research Centre of the European Union**. His career also includes being founder of the Casa de la Ciencia in Valencia, national coordinator of the *Fascination of Plants Day* initiative and science communicator through programs such as *Trasfondo* and *La Ciencia en Nuestra Vida*. He has been the author of more than a hundred scientific publications and informative books. The **Triptolemos Foundation recognizes his valuable dedication and leadership**, as a benchmark that has strengthened the systemic, interdisciplinary and collaborative approach in the **promotion of sustainable food innovation**, promoting with scientific vision and commitment the work of the Triptolemos Foundation for a more sustainable, balanced and resilient food system.

- **New headquarters of the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) in Seville**

The JRC provides a scientific basis for EU policies in different key areas, ranging **from agriculture and food to climate issues**. Coinciding with the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development of the UN, work has begun in Seville (Spain) on the future headquarters of the Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission, which will consolidate the presence of the centre, active in the city since 1994, with **more than 400 international professionals dedicated to areas such as**



artificial intelligence, artificial intelligence, artificial intelligence, artificial intelligence, artificial intelligence, artificial intelligence, circular economy or fiscal policy. The new centre The new headquarters will house the European Innovation Centre for Industrial Transformation and Emissions (INCITE) and the European Centre for Algorithmic Transparency (ECAT), dedicated to clean industrial innovation and algorithmic transparency on digital platforms. The JRC is a **service of the European Commission with the rank of Directorate-General (DG)** that contributes to the development and development of EU policies, providing independent and evidence-based scientific advice. **The Triptolemos Foundation** defends the development of a sustainable food system based on innovation and proven science.

- **Interporc, new member of the Triptolemos Foundation**

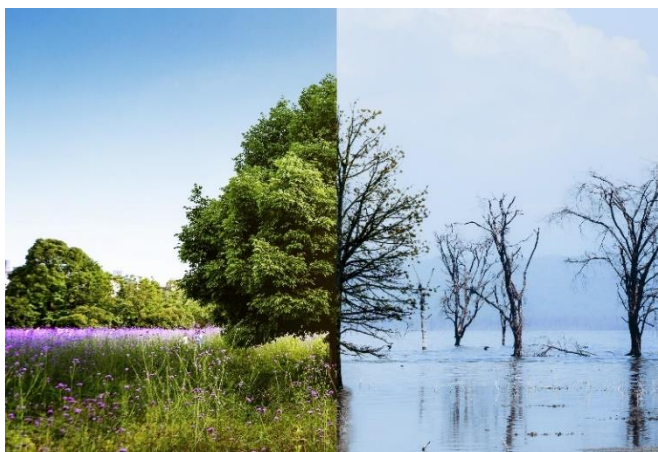


Interporc, the Interprofessional Agri-food Organization of White-coated Pigs (INTERPORC), has joined the board of trustees of the Triptolemos Foundation as a member. INTERPORC is a non-profit organisation in which **all sectors of the white-coated pig value chain are represented** : production, processing and marketing. It is the **most**

important interprofessional organisation in the meat sector in terms of the volume of pig production in Spain. The purposes of Interporc are the development of actions that benefit the entire value chain of the white layer pig sector. INTERPORC represents more than 17,000 white-coated pig farmers in Spain. In addition, it brings together 2,630 operating meat industries and 550 integrating-producing companies and cooperatives. Among the **objectives of INTERPORC** are: To contribute to the economic development and profitability of the sector and to support its internationalization process; To improve the perception of meat and processed products from the white layer pig by conveying to consumers and health professionals its nutritional properties, its healthy advantages and its high quality; To promote innovation and research applied to the resolution of specific problems in the pig sector; To enhance the image of the pig sector as an example of sustainable production and to share sectoral concerns throughout the value chain. **Spain is a world power in pork**, INTERPORC contributes very actively with its actions.

- **Participation of the Triptolemos Foundation in the preparation of the National Plan for Adaptation to Climate Change**

The Ministry for Ecological Transition and the Demographic Challenge began a **consultation process** for the preparation of the 2026-2030 Work Programme of the National Plan for Adaptation to Climate Change. In this process, a first space for reflection and production of ideas was opened in person, in which **experts** from the academic sector, public management, non-governmental organizations and companies met. To facilitate active participation, discussions were held in small groups. A total of 24 thematic groups were convened over three days. The Triptolemos Foundation was invited, given its recognized experience, to participate in the thematic group on Food, which met at the Higher Technical School of Agronomic, Food and Biosystems Engineering (Polytechnic University of Madrid).



- **The role of universities: science and knowledge in the face of misinformation, confusion and fake news.**

Fundación Tritptolemos has participated in the CYD 2024 report with the article: "The role of universities: science and knowledge in the face of misinformation, confusion and fake news. The paradox of ultra-processed foods" in which the **important role of training** is highlighted. The credibility of the food system has to pivot on **proven science and never on pseudoscience**. The food system is complex subject to objective and subjective parameters. Knowledge and training are everything so as not to succumb to fake news and disinformation that ultimately generate anguish and confusion. [Read the article](#)



- **Sustainable Food Systems Training Guide**



Training in the food system is a commitment to the future. This sector faces global challenges such as climate change, food security, sustainability and new consumer trends, among others, so it requires **qualified professionals** capable of providing innovative solutions. The sector needs **talent and trained people** to face the great challenges. The food sector is one of the pillars of the European and Spanish economy, accounting for around 10% of GDP and is the main industrial engine in

terms of employment and exports. In the coming years, thousands of **job opportunities** will be created in all links of the chain: from production to distribution, including R+D, quality certification, artificial intelligence, sustainability and consulting. It is a **strategic sector in constant transformation**. In this context, specialized training becomes essential. The Guide to Training in Sustainable Food Systems, prepared by the Triptolemos Foundation, is a useful tool for those who wish to develop their career in this field. It includes **more than 800 references from the training offer** of 26 universities and the CSIC, structured by levels (bachelor's, master's, doctorate and continuing education), and allows the identification of the most appropriate options to face the present and future challenges of the global food system. A safe bet.

- **The secret is in the soil: discovering Regenerative Agriculture**



The **Yara Chair of Regenerative Agriculture of the University of Cordoba (UCO)**, organized last April the conference "*The secret is in the soil: discovering regenerative agriculture*". The meeting brought together leading experts and leaders from the agricultural sector who exchanged knowledge and experiences on the latest innovations and practices in regenerative agriculture, a key discipline for the sustainable future of agriculture, which shows how soil regeneration can **transform agricultural production and contribute to**

mitigating the effects of climate change. The University of Cordoba and YARA are members of the Triptolemos Foundation.



- **APAE announces the XV edition of its journalism awards**

The Association of Agri-Food Journalists of Spain (APAE) has announced the fifteenth edition of its journalistic awards, which **has four categories**: a general category, the Fruit and Vegetable category, the Innovation category and the Agri-food Sustainability category. The awards will be presented during the Fruit Attraction, which will be held at IFEMA MADRID between 30 September and 2 October. APAE has a collaboration agreement with the Triptolemos Foundation and they carry out joint projects.

**XV Premio APAE
de periodismo
agroalimentario**



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- **The 35th IFAMA World Conference 2025 has been held in Brazil**



Marcos Fava Neves, Professor, CEO & Founding Partner, University of São Paulo, Markestat, Harven Agribusiness School (Brazil)

Brazil's agribusiness hub, Ribeirão Preto, hosted the IFAMA World Conference from 23 to 26 June 2025. [The International Food and Agribusiness Management Association](#) (IFAMA) is a **unique global international organization** that brings together agribusiness professionals, thought leaders, executives, managers, prominent academics, researchers, students, NGOs and policymakers to enhance the strategic focus, sustainability and responsiveness of the food and agribusiness system to challenges. **The event brought together more than 600 professionals from around the world to discuss** sustainability, food security, innovation and the role of agriculture in the face of climate change. During the event, an official letter was delivered to COP30 representatives, underlining the importance of the agri-food sector in the global climate agenda. FAO Deputy Director Beth Bechdol highlighted the



sustainability of Brazil's agricultural production model as a positive surprise. The conference had extensive media coverage, with more than 100 publications in specialized and general media, consolidating Brazil as a key player in the debate on the food systems of the future. **Fundación Triptolemos is a member of the Board of Directors of IFAMA.**

- **Triptolemos Foundation coordinates and participates in the "Theobroma Cacao" project**



The Triptolemos Foundation coordinates and participates in the **alliance of the open science research project for health and biodiversity in the management and practices of regenerative agriculture** for the cultivation of Theobroma Cacao in the Canary Islands and open to other collaborations. The development of the project, integrated into the **European INCREASE consortium**, is expected to be developed in Open Science in the modality of Citizen Science and with an inter/transdisciplinary approach. The project to study the nutritional properties of

cocoa cultivation in the Canary Islands involves the participation of **ICTAN-CSIC, the Fernando Pessoa Canarias University and the Nederland group**, among others. The International Cocoa Quarantine Centre at the University of Reading (UK) will offer support. The role of the **Science and Technology Park of the North of Gran Canaria should be** highlighted. It is planned to start a living lab in a participatory way with local communities of farmers and scientists. This collaboration proposal fits into the **ambition for innovation and commitment to science of the Triptolemos Foundation**, as well as in the promotion of the systemic, open and international methodology, through the *UNESCO Chair on Science and Innovation for Sustainable Development: Global Food Production and Food Safety*. Alfonso Vallés is the principal investigator and coordinator of the project.

- **The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food hosted the celebration of National Nutrition Day**

On May 28, the XXIV edition of the National Nutrition Day was held at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (MAPA), under the slogan "Processing safety, sustainability and health", organized by the Spanish Federation of Nutrition, Food, and Dietetic Societies (FESNAD). The objective was **to highlight the role of proper food processing to ensure food safety, promote sustainability and take care of our health**. The event featured prominent speakers and the result of the **survey** conducted by FESNAD was presented. Fundación Triptolemos participated with its executive director, Dr.



José Miguel Herrero, Director General of Food of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (Spain)

misinformation about food processing", she referred to the importance of processing food to guarantee food safety, safety, reduce food waste, preserve food and extend its shelf life or guarantee availability. He referred to the consensus on the need to reduce saturated fats, salt and added sugars, but **more than the process, the final composition of the food matters**, since

Yvonne Colomer, with the theme **"Information and**



In the photo from left to right: Yvonne Colomer, director of the Triptolemos Foundation; Gregario Varela, president of FESNAD; Rosaura Leis, vice president FESNAD; Ascensión Marcos, researcher at ICTAN-CSIC and member of FESNAD.

there are a few food classifications, without consensus in the scientific community, not very rigorous and contradictory that result in the proliferation of misinformation and great confusion in the consumer. His recommendation: "on nutritional issues we make an effort to **communicate clearly, without alarmism based on demonstrated science and without emotions or ideologies.**" [Read more](#)



- **FAO turns 80 on 16 October 2025**

World Food Day commemorates the founding of FAO, and **this year the Organization celebrates its 80th anniversary**. The **Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)** envisions a world in which all people have access to sufficient, high-quality food to enable them to lead active, healthy lives. **Since 1945**, FAO has been striving to increase food security, promote sustainable agriculture and innovation, build resilience and empower people for a better life and future. During this historic year, events are being organized, stories are being shared and meaningful action is being taken.



- **Webinar "Beyond Processing: Innovation, Preservation and Food Safety"**



The objective of this webinar between two continents organized by the Triptolemos Foundation and the Latin American and Caribbean Association of Food Science and Technology (ALACCTA), is to offer a vision from a Sustainable Food System approach, with a technical and informative nature, of the benefits of food processing in terms of conservation.

reduction of food waste, improvement of food availability and accessibility, as well as its contribution to food and nutrition security. The conference seeks to generate a space for reflection and informed dialogue on how technology and innovation in food processing contribute to a more resilient, efficient, sustainable and safe food system for the population. **The Webinar will take place on Thursday, October 23, 2025 from 16:30 to 18:30 (GMT+2).**



- **Fundación Triptolemos participated in the "Spain Gastronomy Congress"**



The **International Congress of Gastronomy** of Spain 2025 held in Madrid (Spain) from March 27 to 29, 2025, was organized by the **Royal Academy of Gastronomy (RAG)** and the **CEU University Institute "Food and Society"** (CEU San Pablo University), led by Professor Gregorio Varela, member of the Triptolas Foundation, with the support of the International Academy of Gastronomy. The congress brought together **more than 40 prominent national and international speakers**: scientists, Michelin-starred chefs,

academics from the Basque Culinary Center, Oxford, Helsinki and Stockholm, and more than 100 scientific communications were presented in oral and poster formats. Fundación Triptolemos, led by its director Yvonne Colomer, participated by defending an essential transdisciplinarity to rethink contemporary gastronomy: from production and preparation to consumption and waste management, all within a framework of sustainability. During his speech, he emphasized that **gastronomy must evolve beyond traditional enjoyment, incorporating technical and scientific criteria that respond to climate change, food security and changing consumption patterns**. He also highlighted the value of integrating artificial intelligence, personalized nutrition and food waste reduction as key aspects of the gastronomic future.



Professor Charles Spencer of Oxford University showed the salad inspired by Kandinsky's painting

- **Publication of the Prevention of Food Loss and Waste Act**



Law 1/2025, of 1 April, on the prevention of food losses and waste was published in the [Official State Gazette](#) (BOE) on 2 April 2025. This law, a pioneer in Spain, **has as its main objective to reduce food waste throughout the entire food chain**. The law came into force on April 3, 2025, with the exception of articles 6 and 7, which deal with prevention plans and the promotion of donations, which will enter into force one

year after its publication, in April 2026. Among the agents involved in the law are producers, processors, food distributors, hotels, restaurants and the public administration. The law **prohibits the destruction of food that is still fit for consumption** and encourages the donation of surpluses.



- **Presentation of the Interdisciplinary Thematic Platform AGRO4FOOD**

On June 19, the Interdisciplinary Thematic Platform AGRO4FOOD was presented at the Institute of Food Science and Technology of Food and Nutrition ICTAN-CSIC (Madrid) directed by Dr. Juana Frías. It is a platform that integrates, on the one hand, groups from the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC) that previously collaborate in national and international projects and in European projects of the FP7 and H2020 Programmes and, on the other hand, groups and companies from the industrial sector, with the aim of promoting transfer for their exploitation and placing on the market. The platform follows the **idea of the "mission oriented" European proposals, aimed at solving challenges linked to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals**, and **promoting the involvement of the private sector** from its launch to guarantee its socio-economic impact. Alfonso Vallés presented the project Theobroma cacao Canarias. The CSIC is a member of the Triptolemos Foundation.



- **V Congress of the Spanish Federation of Nutrition, Food and Dietetic Societies (FESNAD) and LXXV Congress of the Galician Society of Pediatrics**



The congress will take place in Santiago de Compostela, from November 13 to 15, 2025 with the slogan "**The Good Way: Nutrition, Health and Sustainability**", in person with a varied [program](#). Dr. Rosaura Leis chairs the organizing committee. **Unhealthy lifestyles, among which poor diet plays an important role**, are related to the main current causes of

morbidity and mortality, as well as to profound negative environmental changes. Among others, the loss of adherence to traditional healthy diets, Atlantic and Mediterranean, have been identified as an important factor involved in the high prevalence of overweight and/or obesity from the paediatric age, negatively affecting health in the short, medium and long term. In addition, it is increasingly **associated with social vulnerability and is a reflection of "hidden hunger"**. For all these reasons, coordinated action by all social agents is necessary for its prevention. The link to the [Registration is included](#)



- **Food Law Academic Network (FLAN) Annual Conference**



The third annual Conference of the Food Law Academic Network (FLAN) was held in Switzerland with the aim of **exploring the changing role of food law in promoting public health, environmental sustainability and social equity**. With growing concerns about food safety, nutrition, food security and environmental impact, legal frameworks are increasingly critical to shaping healthier food systems. **During the Congress, there was a discussion on how law can address these challenges** and drive change across sectors, focusing on

regulatory innovations, the implications of cross-border policies and interdisciplinary approaches to build resilient food systems for future generations. The coordinator of the legal area of the Triptolemos Foundation, Laura Salamero Teixidó, coordinated the participation of the **University of Lleida** with the presentation "Ultra-Processed Foods: in Between Two Worlds". Laura Salamero is part of the working group on processed foods of the Triptolemos Foundation.



- **Catalyzing Agri-Food Innovation**

Conference organized by AgrotecUV (University of Valencia) and the Plant Biotechnology Technology Platform BIOVEGEN, focused on promoting innovation in the agri-food sector. The event brought together startups incubated at AgrotecUV, leading companies in the sector, researchers and investors and innovative and sustainable solutions in the agri-food sector were explored. The meeting provided the opportunity to **establish connections in the agrifood ecosystem, learn about innovative projects and establish collaborations** that promote the transfer of knowledge to the productive sector. The University of Valencia is a member of the Triptolemos Foundation.



- **Participation of the Triptolemos Foundation in the Plenary Assembly of the FAO Global Soil Partnership**



FAO's Global Soil Partnership held the 13th Session of its Plenary Assembly, this year coinciding with the 80th anniversary of FAO's creation. Its objective is to position soils on the Global Agenda and promote their sustainable management. The Alliance works to **improve soil governance and ensure productive soils** that contribute to food security, climate change adaptation and mitigation, and

sustainable development for all. The Global Soil Partnership is **an interactive, responsive and voluntary partnership**, open to institutions such as governmental organizations, universities, civil institutions, research centers, soil science societies, UN agencies, NGOs, private companies, farmers' associations, donors, etc. Triptolemos Foundation is associated with FAO's Global Soil Partnership.



- **The Agri-Food Commission of the Spanish Chamber of Commerce addresses the National Food Strategy and the new law against food waste**



The Agri-Food Commission of the Spanish Chamber of Commerce is an important **consultative body**, and met on April 30 under the presidency of Pedro Olivares, and was attended by José Miguel Herrero Velasco, Director General of the Food Industry of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, who addressed two of the most relevant issues of the current food in Spain: the National Food Strategy (ENA) and the recently approved Law on the Prevention of Food Losses and Waste of April 2025. The director general referred to the **National Food Strategy** as a key document that seeks to define the lines of action to achieve a more sustainable, healthy, fair and resilient food system. The strategy, developed with the participation of multiple actors in the sector, proposes a systemic approach that integrates the production, processing, distribution, consumption and management of food waste, with an

emphasis on sustainability and territorial and social cohesion. The Triptolemos Foundation participated in the process of developing the National Food Strategy from its system approach. A space for debate was opened among the members of the Commission. Fundación Triptolemos is a member of the Agri-Food Commission of the Chamber of Commerce.

- **Foro Porcino Aragón Interporc 'Transforming the present to lead the future'**

The Interprofessional Agri-Food of White Layer Pigs (**INTERPORC**) and the Government of Aragon organized the 'Aragon Pig Forum', a day that turned Zaragoza into the epicenter of the debate on the present and future of one of the most relevant sectors for the Aragonese economy and rural environment. Under the slogan 'Transforming the present to lead the future', the forum brought together institutional representatives, professional associations, leading companies, scientific experts and young entrepreneurs around the **great challenges** of the Spanish pig sector: **sustainability, global competitiveness, public health and generational renewal**. Interporc is a member of the Triptolemos Foundation.



- **VII Conference on Technology at the Service of the Agri-Food Sector**



The **Polytechnic City of Innovation of the Polytechnic University of Valencia** hosted the VII edition of the Conference on Technology at the Service of the Agri-food Sector, an already consolidated event that brings together professionals, companies and experts from the sector every year to discuss the main challenges and opportunities around technological innovation applied to the agri-food industry. During the Conference, organized by the Universitat Politècnica de València, with the collaboration of the Escola Tècnica Superior d'Enginyeria Agronòmica i del

Medi Natural and various public and private entities, **key topics such as precision agriculture, efficiency in industrial maintenance and food safety, technology, artificial intelligence and digital transformation in the sector** were addressed. The Universitat Politècnica de València is a member of the Triptolemos Foundation.

- **Holding of the World Conference on Culture and Sustainable Development**



The Mondiacult 2025 World Conference on Culture and Sustainable Development will be held in Barcelona, Spain. The previous Mondiacult 2022 was held in Mexico. The UNESCO World Conference on Cultural Policies and Sustainable Development (MONDIACULT) is a ministerial forum where 194 UNESCO Member States collaborate to set and commit to the global agenda for culture. It is organized by UNESCO and hosted by the Government of Spain. **Mondiacult is the**

largest cultural policy conference in the world. It also responds to the Declaration's call to establish culture as a specific goal in its own right in the post-2030 development agenda, and the inclusion of culture in the agendas of the G20, G7, G7+China and other regional and international forums. MONDIACULT 2025 is a decisive and strategic moment to launch a global call for culture as an independent goal, in the presence of thousands of decision-makers and cultural influencers.



- **The University of Alacant promotes publications in gastronomy and food sustainability**

The University of Alacant has a consolidated Publications Service committed to the dissemination of knowledge. This service edits and distributes scientific, academic and informative works, promoting open access. Among its collections, a line dedicated to gastronomy stands out, as well as various titles focused on food, sustainability and food culture. The Triptolemos Foundation has set up a specific space on its website to give visibility to the publication services of its members and promote the dissemination of knowledge in the food field. The University of Alacant is a member of the Triptolemos Foundation.



- **Clean Label: an opportunity to innovate**



Fundación Triptolemos was invited to participate as a speaker in the Webinar organized by Eatex Food Innovation Hub and the National Center for Food Technology and Safety (CNTA) in which the concept of Clean Label was addressed in detail: **What challenges does it face?, What opportunities exist?, How does regulation affect it?** In addition, the Triptolemos Foundation with its vision of a global food system contributed to understanding

why clean label is more than a fad, it has to be a scenario of opportunity to bring us closer to sustainable food systems in balance.

- **I International Congress on Gastronomic Tourism Barcelona**



On November 27, 28 and 29, 2025, the first edition of the International and Interuniversity Congress on Gastronomic Tourism will be held in Barcelona. This event is conceived as a **space for interdisciplinary reflection on the relationship between tourism and gastronomy**. Under the title **"Current realities, emerging trends and future directions"**, the congress seeks to promote meeting and debate between academics, researchers and professionals

from various disciplines who study, work or have an interest in this field. Over three days, the current dynamics, interconnections and new perspectives in the relationship between tourism and gastronomy will be explored. In addition, this congress is being held in a special context: the designation of **Catalonia as World Region of Gastronomy 2025**, becoming the first European region to receive this recognition. The event is organized by prestigious universities and institutions specialized in the study of gastronomic tourism, including: the University of Alcalá de Henares, the Peruvian University of Applied Sciences of Lima-Peru, the Center for Mediterranean Gastronomy (GASTERRA) of the University of Alacant, the UNESCO Chair in Food, Culture and Development of the Open University of Catalonia (UOC) and the CETT. Barcelona School of Tourism, Hospitality & Gastronomy – University of Barcelona, which leads the organization of this first edition in collaboration with the Barcelona Provincial Council. The Universitat d'Alacant, the Universitat Oberta de Catalunya and the Universitat de Barcelona are members of the Triptolemos Foundation.

- **The Triptolemos Foundation participates as a jury in the 4th edition of the Innovation Challenges Competition of the UB-Danone Chair**



On May 8, 2025, the 4th edition of the UB-Danone Chair Innovation Challenge Competition was held at the Food Campus of the University of Barcelona, a member of the Triptolas Foundation, **an initiative that promotes young talent and the development of innovative solutions in the field of food. sustainability and health**. The

conference was attended by the Triptolemos Foundation as a member of the jury, reaffirming its commitment to the promotion of knowledge and innovation in the food system. The awards were presented by Dr. Marta Ferrer, Vice-Rector for Students at the University of Barcelona, who highlighted the high level of the proposals and the effort of the participating teams. The awards had four teams and were structured in several categories and in this 4th edition it has chosen the proposal developed by the Proteína team. The team has been awarded a prize of €3,000. The proposal stood out for its originality, its market potential and the integration of nutritional and sustainable aspects.

- **Tribute from the University of Barcelona to Màrius Rubiralta for his university career**



On 11 July, the Auditorium of the University of Barcelona hosted an emotional ceremony in recognition of the extensive professional career of Màrius Rubiralta. In his **more than 50 years of professional career, he has contributed** to creating and energizing important initiatives at the university. It is worth highlighting his performance as a professor, his time as vice-rector and rector at the University of Barcelona. As

Secretary of State for Universities, he contributed to the modernisation of the Spanish university system and culminated in the creation of the Campus of International Excellence programme. Following his time at the Ministry, Dr. Rubiralta was the **director of the Network of Campuses of International Excellence with agri-food activity of the Triptolemos Foundation**, today integrated into the National Food Strategy. The tribute was paid to his outstanding contribution to the university, research and transfer. [Read more](#)



- **Reflection article: "Overweight and obesity" by Professor Abel Mariné**



People suffering from diseases require treatment, but this cannot be limited to the administration of medicines, but must also take into account the personal treatment of the patient and their living environment. Obesity is a disease that affects a person's physiology and also their aesthetics, and the perception they have of themselves and that of the people who relate to them. **Professor Abel Mariné** is a member of the advisory committee of the Triptolemos Foundation. [Continue reading](#)

- **Interview with Ingrid Buera, Director of Marketing and Institutional Relations at Mercabarna, member of the Triptolemos Foundation**



- **Educating and informing citizens**

Fundación Triptolemos is aware that adequate food information is essential for social well-being, and that we live in an environment of growing uncertainties, dubious statements and unrigorous ideologies on social networks. **The need to train and strive to provide verified information endorsed by science to the citizen is evident, so that they can freely decide their best option.**

- **The Triptolemos Foundation has the support of institutions that share its vision of Sustainable Food Systems**

With its international projection, the Triptolemos Foundation has among its members companies, universities, consumer organizations, food banks, the Spanish National Research Council, among others, and is open to any organization that shares its objectives and its vision of the food system, which it defines in **four axes** that must be in balance to achieve sustainable food systems, based on proven science and knowledge.



It is essential to guarantee safe, nutritious, sustainable and accessible food for the entire population, in a global context of climate change, geopolitical uncertainty, polarization of society, disinformation or technological transformation. **The Triptolemos Foundation develops its sustainable food system model with the support of its members**, where the engine of the system is ethical and responsible business activity based on proven science and where training, information and consumer behaviour are key.

The Triptolemos Foundation is open to new additions who wish to contribute to achieving a sustainable and socially balanced food system, based on science and technology and where responsible business activity is the driving force. To do this, **we all have to row in the same direction** (governments, financial institutions, investors, companies and all social sectors and committed citizens) in the fight against climate change, inequalities and technological transformation. [Learn more](#)

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