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Xènia Rodríguez Miret, pre-doctoral researcher

"I joined CREAF to pursue my PhD focused on evolutionary ecology. The community is incredibly welcoming and supportive. The collaborative spirit and shared passion for ecology create an environment where one can feel truly inspired, with engaging social eents and debates. I have particularly enjoyed the useful scientific courses provided by the





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#### **AKASH TARIQ**

### **CREAF** visiting professor - Chinese Academy of Sciences

"I highly regard the diverse contributions made by researchers at CREAF and express gratitude for their efforts in advancing the fields of science and policy to promote a sustainable planet. I immensely thank Prof. Josep Peñuelas and Jordi Sardans for their pioneering and invaluable contributions to our joint work, as well as for their guidance and steadfast support. Our collaborative efforts have delved into the response mechanisms of deep-rooted plant species and plant-soil systems to climate change and human-driven disturbances in arid ecosystems. We have developed sustainable management strategies and technical methodologies to restore vegetation, mitigate desertification, and prevent land degradation".

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### **NEW PROJECTS**

<u>DigiMedFor</u> focuses on transforming the technological landscape of the Mediterranean forest-wood supply chain, by increasing its competitiveness, allowing stakeholders to better manage and supply multiple forest ecosystem services, including the traceability of wood origin from forests to end-users.



Burcu Berk, CREAF Technical manager

"CREAF plays a key role in **DigiMedFor**, to connect forest management with key sustainability indicators and ecosystem services. By providing digitalized information to end users, CREAF supports informed decision-making and promotes sustainable forest management to benefit both the environment and society".



Prof. Luigi Saulino, Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II "At the core of DigiMedFor's approach lies the seamless integration of modern geospatial, artificial intelligence and Digital Twin technologies, combined with information and comms technology. It will pave the way for enhanced forest management and unlock unprecedented opportunities for the forest sector".



### AGENDA



Euromontana congress: 'Shaping the future of mountain economies'

15th to 18th October, 2024 Puigcerdà, Catalonia (Spain)

The European association Euromontana -dedicated to the sustainable development of mountain areas- is holding its 13th congress in Puigcerdà (La Cerdanya, Catalonia), to share and debate the present and future possibilities of mountain areas, environmentally, socially and economically.

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8th Mediterranean Forest Week in Barcelona

4th to 8th November, 2024 Barcelona, Catalonia (Spain)

CREAF is involved together with EFIMed and the Secretariat of the FAO Committee of Mediterranean Forestry Questions in co organizing the 8th Mediterranean Forest Week, a biennal event focused on Mediterranean forest ecosystems restoration. It's also a platform for cooperation among researchers, policymakers, and stakeholders.

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