

## **CURRICULUM OF PROFESSOR STEFANO GREGO**

Stefano Grego is graduated in Agriculture at University of Perugia in November 1968 and in October 1969 won a permanent position as researcher at the Institute of Biochemistry and Ecophysiology of Plants of National Research Council of Italy (CNR). In August 1987 has been appointed Associate Professor and since November 2000 is Full Professor in Agricultural Chemistry at the Department of Agriculture, Forestry, Nature and Energy (DAFNE) of University of Tuscia in Viterbo.

His activity in Third World Countries started in 1980 when he has been sent to Mozambique (1980-1986) by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs to start a co-operation project with the Faculty of Agriculture of the University E. Mondlane in Maputo. In 1985 the Government of Mozambique conferred a *Diploma de Honra* for his activity on the development of educational system in the country. Since then he has been involved in many different activities regarding the cooperation for development. Professor Grego was the scientific responsible for the UE Project for the valorisation of desert valleys of the North Senegal (1989-1994). Partners of the project were the IEMUT of France and INRA of Senegal.

He participates since the foundation to the Interuniversity Centre for Research with Developing Countries (CIRPS). He has been scientific co-ordinator of EC projects in Senegal (1989-1994) (1992-1996) on the rehabilitation of degraded lands in the North and South of Sahara. These projects involved the IRA of Medenine in Tunisia, CNRS of France, INRA of Senegal, ORSTOM of France and Tunisia, and Tuscia University, Italy.

Prof. Grego has been the co-ordinator of a project of technical Co-operation with the University of Mar del Plata (Argentina) assigned by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs to CIRPS (1999-2002) and has co-ordinated a bilateral project with the Agriculture Academy of Science of China (1998-2000). UN Expert of IAEA (Vienna) for the evaluation of agricultural projects in Macedonia and IFAD expert for the evaluation of programmes in Asia and Brazil. Moreover in 2007 participated to an IFAD team as expert of agriculture for the field evaluation of IFAD programme in Albania.

Visiting professor at University of Agriculture in Tirana Albania in many occasions, participating to projects founded by the EU (Tempus) and the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the area of agricultural development.

He was coordinator of an Agro-ecological Network between Latin-America Universities, Universidad de los Llanos “Ezequiel Zamora” (UNELLEZ) in Venezuela and Universidad de los Llanos in Colombia, and the European Universities, CIRPS and University of Hohenheim (Germany), within the framework of the ALFA EU Programme, entitled “Optimizacion de Sistema de Produccion Sostenible en la Sabana Neotropical” (1997-2001)

1995-2005 he has been Chairman of the working group “Quality of the Agro-ecosystem” of the European Society for New Methods in Agricultural Research (ESNA). Since 2005 he is President of the Society.

In 2004 has been elected as member of the Administration Council of Agency for the Promotion of the European Research (APRE). 2008-2012 he has been Vice President of the Agency. At present is member of the Scientific Committee.

He is Vice President and Secretary of the international Onlus (NGO) *Roman Forum*, founded in 2002 for the discussion related to the limits of sustainability in the Third World Countries.

He is among the founders of the International Organization *Agronomes et Forestiers sans Frontières* which has the task to organise cooperation activities with developing countries. He is at present Vice President of the association.

He has been appointed as component of the Evaluation Committee (7 experts) for the reorganisation of the Research Institutes of the Italian Ministry of Agriculture (MIPAF).

He is in the Advisory Board of the *European DesertNet* born in Bonn in October 2006.

He has been Pro Rettore Vicario (2001-2005; 2005-2008) and Deputy Rector for International Relations (1999-2014).

In December 2003 has been conferred the Degree Honoris Causa by the University of Bucharest, Romania.

In October 2004 the University of Cluj-Napoca in Transylvania conferred the title of Doctor Honoris Causa for his scientific activity.

In June 2007 the President of Italian Republic Giorgio Napolitano conferred the High Honour of *Commendatore* for the special merits to the Italian Republic

In May 2008 the University of Iasi, Romania, has conferred the title of Doctor H. Causa for his scientific Activity

He is member of the Scientific Council of the Italian Consortium with Universities of Argentina (CUIA).

He has been Vice President of the Agency for the Promotion of the European Research (APRE) 2008-2012.

In the 2009 University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Craiova, Romania gave the title of Doctor Honoris Causa

In 2010 the University of Nitra awarded professor Grego with Gold Memorable Medal for his cooperation and contribution in the field of science and education.

He is coordinator of a program of rural development in Oman in the area of animal products, horticulture, fruit production and water optimal use

He is Honorary Member of Senate of University of Cluj.

He has been member of the board of the Italian Society of Soil Science (2009-2014) and the Italian Society of Agricultural Chemistry (2008-2013).

### ***RESEARCH ACTIVITY***

- Soil bio indicators to evaluate the effects of natural or anthropogenic changes on the environment;
- Global change and soil quality.
- Dynamic of agroecosystems
- Soil, agriculture and food production
- Desertification and agriculture
- Food safety and quality
- Carbon turnover in soil
- Soil enzymes
- Land use and soil quality
- Sustainability Science
- Resilience of Agro-ecosystems