



To Whom It May Concern

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Subject: Letter of Support - Modelling growth and pine nuts production for *Pinus pinea* under changing environmental conditions (PINEA Project) - PTDC/AGR-FOR/3804/2012

UNAC – Union of the Mediterranean Forest is a union of the main institutions of Forestry landowners from the Portuguese Mediterranean area. It represents around 700,000 ha of agro-forestry areas and around 16,000 land owners.

Within the Portuguese Mediterranean area *Pinus pinea* is amongst the most important forestry tree species. In this context UNAC would like to express the importance and interest of sound scientific projects which aim to increase the existing knowledge on *Pinus pinea*. Therefore UNAC would see in the development of “Modelling growth and pine nuts production for *Pinus pinea* under changing environmental conditions (PINEA Project)” a step forward for the management and decision-making of *Pinus pinea* in Portugal.

Sincerely




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