

Dr. Carolyn Glynn President Agrinatura Association

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Dear sir,

I am honoured to be in charge of the institution Escuela Técnica Superior de Ingeniería Agronómica, Alimentaria y de Biosistemas (ETSIAAB), whose history begins in 1858 as the 'Central School of Agriculture.' The ETSIAAB has been training Agricultural Engineering students to become officials of the Ministry of Agriculture and other dependent agencies, for many years. Nowadays, ETSIAAB, as part of the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (UPM), continues its work in favour of agricultural and food activities development and technification.

ETSIAAB is one of the most prestigious Spanish University College in the area of Agriculture and Food. It has 16 ha of experimental fields with different facilities as greenhouses, livestock premises, machinery warehouses, seed bank, winery, cheese factory, oil press and labs for teaching and research. The number and quality of our professors and staff guarantee excellent support and monitoring to our students and projects, leading to a solid formation and specialization in disciplines such as engineering, food, crop and animal production, agricultural economics or biotechnology.

Years ago we had the opportunity to become member of Agrinatura association, jointly with the most important academic and research institutions in Europe. We would be delighted to join them again and contribute to the common goals of agricultural and sustainable development. For that reason, I kindly ask you to formally take into account our application to Agrinatura association.

Kind regards,

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