

VIRTIGATION: A NETWORK TO FIGHT VIRAL DISEASES



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"**VIRTIGATION** is a multi-actor project on a mission to protect **tomatoes** and **cucurbits** in Northern Europe and the Mediterranean Basin. Together with partners from key EU neighbouring areas - **Morocco, Israel** and **India** - the VIRTIGATION project aims to develop a set of **bio-based solutions** to safeguard tomatoes and cucurbits from emerging viral diseases.

Specifically, **VIRTIGATION** addresses emerging viral diseases caused by the begomovirus **ToLCNDV (Tomato leaf curl New Delhi Virus**, transmitted by whiteflies) and the tobamovirus **ToBRFV (Tomato brown rugose fruit virus**, mechanically transmitted). In particular **practice-relevant measures** will be developed to protect these plants."



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