



## "200 TOMATO VARIETIES visited by 200 TOMATO SCIENTISTS AT THE CAJAMAR EXPERIMENTAL EXTENSION"

A collection of 200 tomato varieties representing the European tomato diversity present at COMAV (Center for Agrobiodiversity of the Valencia Community, Valencia Spain and partner of HARNESSTOM) were exhibited next to a selection of F1 tomato hybrids from participating companies. All together the exhibition included the most representative materials of the traditional pool as selected from the characterization done on the EU-funded projects TRADITOM and HARNESSTOM projects. The exhibition was organized for the technical visit to the Experimental Station of Fundacion Cajamar (Paiporta, Valencia, Spain) as part of the EUCARPIA Tomato meeting and was enjoyed by approximately 200 scientists from the Academia and companies. The high number of breeders from seed companies is to be highlighted as close to 50% of the participants were from companies. Scientists from 71 academic institutions and breeders from 41 seed companies had the opportunity to observe the plants in the greenhouse and later in more detail their fruits as they were displayed at the FCCV indoor facilities. Each variety had a QR code that provided information about the origin and characteristics of the variety at the touch of a mobile phone. The collection will be visited by a selection of chefs and by farmers in the following weeks.



Visiting the FCCV greenhouses where HARNESSTOM and TRADITOM accessions from the COMAV are cultivated





Exhibition of tomato varieties from the TRADITOM and HARNESSTOM collections

