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Aicha El Wafiq

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Aicha is a tree nursery owner who runs a nursery specializing in fruit trees and aromatic and medicinal plants; she is also a quinoa producer. After a long career in the nonprofit sector with the Tiyadrine Association for Rural Women, where she worked alongside other activists to help women in isolated areas secure their basic rights—whether in health care, literacy, or participation in public policy—she has contributed to the implementation of several projects for rural women. She is now the manager of an agricultural cooperative.

Al Khayr Agricultural Cooperative

Brings together 14 women farmers. It was founded in 2012 with the aim of helping women farmers earn an income that allows them to live with dignity. The cooperative produces quinoa, as well as ornamental plants, aromatic and medicinal herbs, and fruit trees in a small nursery in the village. Due to the challenges of climate change, our region has also suffered from drought, which has led us to cultivate quinoa—a plant that requires little water and offers a sustainable alternative to traditional crops. With great determination and resolve, the women of the cooperative hope to achieve their goals of producing and marketing their products and to earn an income that will help them provide for themselves and their families



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