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Ca	GATGCTAACGATGAGAACATTAGCAATGAAATTGATAGAGTTAGAAAGAGAACGACAGC	300
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Ck	GATGCAAAGCATGAGAACATTGAGCAATGAAATTGATAGAATCAAGAAAGAGAACGACAGC	300
Vv	GATGCAAACACATGAAATCTCAGCAATGAAATTGGATAGGATCAAGCAGTCTGGGAAGAGGCTCTGG	300
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Ca	ATGCAGATTGAGCTCAGGCACCTAAAGGGGAAGAGCATCACATCTTGAAATTACAAAGAG	360
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Vv	ATGCAGATTGAACTCAGGCACCTGAAAGGGGGAGGATATCTCATCTCTGCACCAACAAAGAA	360
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**Supplementary Figure S1.** Alignment of partial cDNA sequences (360 nucleotides) of *PISTILLATA* genes from selected woody species and from the mode legume *Medicago truncatula*. The regions highlighted with red rectangles presented four mismatches among the sequences and these regions were selected for the design of degenerated oligos. Mt, *Medicago truncatula*; Cb, *Catalpa bungei*; Ca, *Coffea arabica*; P1, *Paeonia lactiflora*; Pd, *Populus deltoides*; Ck, *Cornus kousa*; Vv, *Vitis vinifera*.

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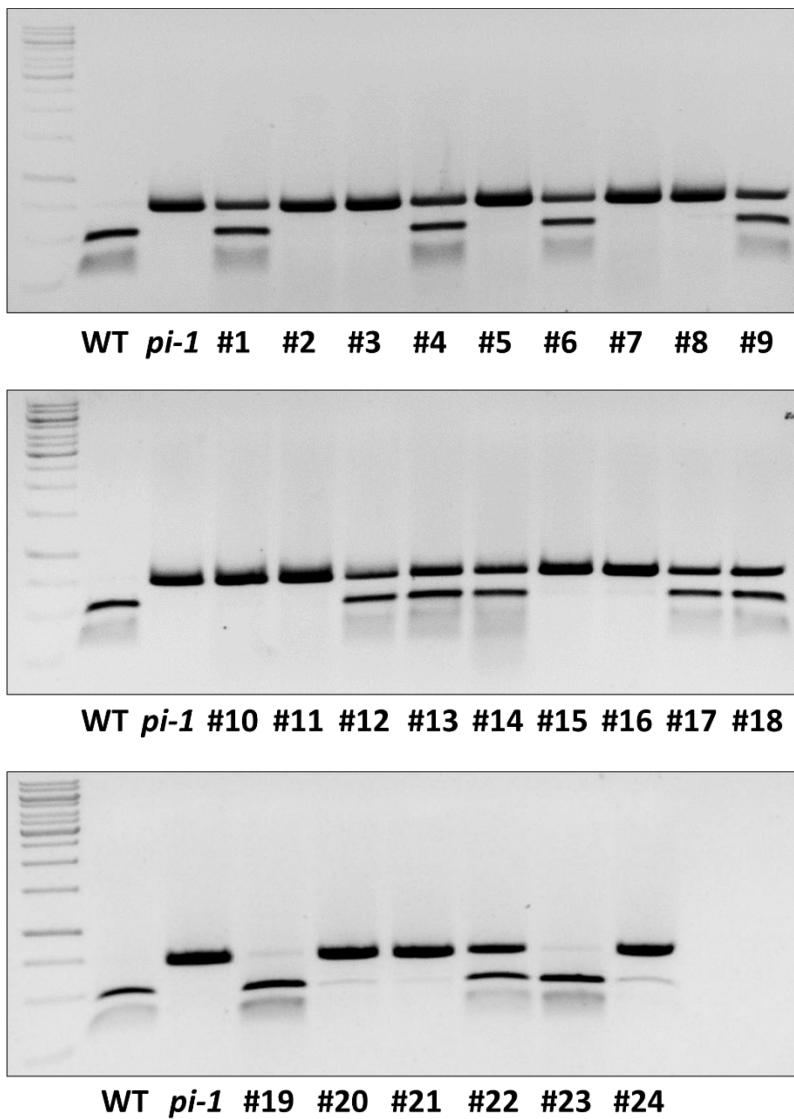
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**Supplementary Figure S2.** *PISTILLATA* gene sequence. (a) Coding sequence and protein from *PISTILLATA* gene from *Argania spinosa*. Conserved amino acid domains are highlighted in red (MADS domain), green (K-domain) and purple (PI-motif). Potential NLS sequences are underlined; (b) Sequences obtained by 3'RACE of the 3' untranslated region of the gene showing different lengths and polyadenylation position. The stop codon is marked in red.

AtPI	MGRGKIEIKRIENANNRVVTFSKRRNGLVKKAKEITVLCDAKVALIIFASNGKMDYCCP	60
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MtNGL9	MGRGKIEIKRIENSSNRQVTYSKRNGIICKAKEINVLCDAQVSTIIAPSGKMHEYISP	60
<b>AsPI</b>	<b>MGRGKIEIKRIENSSNRQVTYSKRNGIMKKAKEITVLCDAQVSLVIFGSSGKMHEYCSP</b>	<b>60</b>
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PhGLO1	MGRGKIEIKRIENSSNRQVTYSKRNGILKKAKEISVLCRARVSIIIFASSGKMHEFSS-	59
AmGLO	MGRGKIEIKRIENSSNRQVTYSKRNGIMKKAKEISVLCDAHVSIIIFASSGKMHEFCSP	60
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<b>AsPI</b>	<b>STTLTDILDKYHKSGKRLWDAKHENLSNELDRIKKENDHMQIELRHLKGEEITSLNHKE</b>	<b>120</b>
MtPI	STTLIDILDYRQRASGKTLWDAKHENLSNEIDRIKKENDSMQIDLRHLKGEDITSLNYKE	120
PhGLO1	-TSLVDILDQYHKLTGRRLLDAKHENLDNEINKVKKDNDNMQIELRHLKGEDITSLNHR	118
AmGLO	STTLVDMLDHYHKLSGKRLWDPKHEHLDNEINRVKKENDSMQIELRHLKGEDITTLNYKE	120
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<b>AsPI</b>	<b>LMTIEALENGLACVRHKQMFETFTMMQKNDKMLEDENKQLNFELHQQEITMGSRE--ME</b>	<b>177</b>
MtPI	LMALEESLENGLTGVRDKKMEVHRMFKRNGKILEDENKELNFLQQHMALEGVGVN--MH	177
PhGLO1	LMILEDALENLTSIRNKQNEVLRMMRKKTQSMEEQDQLNCQLRQLEIATMNRRNMGEIG	178
AmGLO	LMVLEDALENTSALKNKQMFVRRMMRKHNEMVEEENQSQLQFKLRLQHMHDPMNDNVMESQ	180
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PhGLO2	EVYHQ---RDRDYEQQMPFALRVQPMQPNLHERM----	212
MtNGL9	NGL-----	180
<b>AsPI</b>	<b>NGYHQ---RVREYP-PQMPFAFRVQPIQPNLQERI-----</b>	<b>208</b>
MtPI	GQWI-----	181
PhGLO1	EVFQQR---ENHDYQ-NHMPFAFRVQPMQPNLQERL----	210
AmGLO	AVYDHHHHQNIADYE-AQMPFAFRVQPMQPNLQERF-----	215

**Supplementary Figure S3.** Protein alignment of AsPI and functional characterized PI/GLO-related proteins from different species. Amino acid residues identical to all the sequences are indicated by stars (\*). To improve the alignment, dashes were introduced into the sequence. The region designated as the PI motif is boxed. At, *Arabidopsis thaliana*; Ph, *Petunia hybrida*; Mt, *Medicago truncatula*; As, *Argania spinosa*; Am, *Antirrhinum majus*.



**Supplementary Figure S4:** Genotyping of transgenic plants transformed with 35S::*AsPI* for the presence of the *pi-1* mutation. A genomic PCR product (729 bp) was amplified and digested by *BseGI*. Two fragments (451 and 278 bp) were obtained in the case of wild-type plants (lower bands are generally faint in the gels). *BseGI* does not cut the 729 bp PCR fragment in *pi-1/pi-1* homozygous plants. Heterozygous *PI/pi-1* plants showed three bands. Twenty-four transformants were analysed.

**Supplementary Table S1.** Primers used in this work.

Primer name	Primer sequences (5' to 3')	
PI DEG FOR	ATG GGD AGA GGH AAG ATW GAG ATM AAG	Degenerated oligo
PI DEG REV	G TG CCT SAG HTC RAT YTG CAT	Degenerated oligo
AsPI GSP2	GAG AAC CTC AGC AAC GAA CT	3' RACE
AsPI GSP7	CCT CTT CCC AGA CTT CTT GTG AT	5' RACE
PI argan ATG For	ATG GGT AGA GGC AAG ATA GAG	AsPI cDNA amplification
PI argan -STOP Rev	AAT TCT CTC CTG CAG ATT GGG C	
Q-AsPI For3	GGG ATC ATG AAG AAG CTA AGG	qRT-PCR
Q-AsPI Rev3	GGC TAC AGT ACT CAT GCA TCT T	
Arg YCF2 For	CCC GAA CCA AGG AAT CCC T	qRT-PCR
Arg YCF2 Rev	TCC CCT TCT TCA AAC TCC GAT	
AtTIP41 For	GTG AAA ACT GTT GGA GAG AAG CAA	qRT-PCR
AtTIP41 Rev	TCA ACT GGA TAC CCT TTC GCA	

**Supplementary Table S2.** Accession numbers of the *AP3/DEF*- and *PI/GLO*-related MADS-box genes used for phylogenetic analysis.

Gene	Species	GenBank Id
<i>MtPI</i>	<i>Medicago truncatula</i> ( <i>Mt</i> )	FJ403468
<i>PIPI</i>	<i>Paeonia lactiflora</i> ( <i>PI</i> )	KC354379
<i>CabuPI</i>	<i>Catalpa bulghei</i> ( <i>Cabu</i> )	KM112022.1
<i>CaPI</i>	<i>Coffea arabica</i> ( <i>Ca</i> )	KJ483234
<i>CorPI</i>	<i>Cornus kousa</i> ( <i>Cor</i> )	JQ753781
<i>PdPI</i>	<i>Populus deltoides</i> ( <i>Pd</i> )	EU029172
<i>VvPI</i>	<i>Vitis vinifera</i> ( <i>Vv</i> )	NM_001280946.1
<i>MASAKO BP</i>	<i>Rosa rugosa</i>	AB038462.1
<i>SITM6/FBP1</i>	<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> ( <i>Sl</i> )	XM_004245154.4
<i>PhGLO1</i>	<i>Petunia Hybrida</i> ( <i>Ph</i> )	M91190.1
<i>PhGLO2</i>	<i>Petunia Hybrida</i> ( <i>Ph</i> )	X69947.1
<i>AmGLO</i>	<i>Antirrhinum majus</i> ( <i>Am</i> )	AB516403
<i>MtPI</i>	<i>Medicago truncatula</i> ( <i>Mt</i> )	FJ403468
<i>MtNGL9</i>	<i>Medicago truncatula</i> ( <i>Mt</i> )	FJ403469
<i>Paps PI-1</i>	<i>Papaver somniferum</i> ( <i>Ps</i> )	EF071994.1
<i>Paps PI-2</i>	<i>Papaver somniferum</i> ( <i>Ps</i> )	EF071995.1
<i>AtPI</i>	<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> ( <i>At</i> )	NM_122031
<i>MtTM6</i>	<i>Medicago truncatula</i> ( <i>Mt</i> )	JN412097.1
<i>MtNMH7</i>	<i>Medicago truncatula</i> ( <i>Mt</i> )	JN412096.1
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<i>PhTM6</i>	<i>Petunia Hybrida</i> ( <i>Ph</i> )	AF230704
<i>PhDEF</i>	<i>Petunia Hybrida</i> ( <i>Ph</i> )	DQ539416.1
<i>SITAP3/TDR6</i>	<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> ( <i>Sl</i> )	AY098734.2
<i>AmDEF</i>	<i>Antirrhinum majus</i> ( <i>Am</i> )	HQ853386.1
<i>MdMADS13</i>	<i>Malus domestica</i> ( <i>Md</i> )	NM_001328749.1
<i>MdTm6</i>	<i>Malus domestica</i> ( <i>Md</i> )	AB081093.1