



Information sheet on associated researchers

SINER-GI Associated researcher

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Area(s) of activity

Research	Traditional origin products in Cyprus
Education	-
Student	-
Extension	-
Other (precise)	-

Background and current projects

Degrees: BSc Food Science (Leeds University, UK), MS Food Science (Cornell University, USA)

Currently preparing a proposal with the rural sociology group of Wageningen University on the origin products of Cyprus as an initial step towards a PhD thesis

Publications

- 1) Neocleous M., D. M. Barbano, and M. A. Rudan, 2002. Impact of low concentration factor microfiltration on milk component recovery and Cheddar cheese yield. J. Dairy Science, 85: 2415-2424.
- 2) Neocleous M., D. M. Barbano, and M. A. Rudan, 2002. Impact of low concentration factor microfiltration on composition and aging of Cheddar cheese. J. Dairy Science. 85: 2425-2437.
- 3) Neocleous M. (2004). The effect of milk type, feed and cheese making conditions on the flavor characteristics of Halloumi cheese of Cyprus. Proceedings of the 6th International Meeting on Mountain Cheeses - Dairy food biodiversity: flavor and health properties, Sicily, Italy.
- 4) Neocleous M. (2005). Hard cheeses of Cyprus – from the past to the present. Proceedings of the 7th International Meeting on Mountain Cheeses – Production conditions and characteristics of mountain cheeses, Vallee de Joux, Switzerland.

Current focus topics

Theme	Origin products in Cyprus
Discipline	Sociology
Product(s)	
Geographical area	

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Recommended by (name of the SINER-GI team researcher(s))
Mention additionally the SINER-GI researcher who is responsible for the requested association

Dr Hielke van der Meulen

Expected contribution to SINERGI (to be filled in by the SINER-GI team researcher(s))

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Expectations from collaboration with SINER-GI

Scientific information	Have access to scientific information which can contribute to the preparation of my PhD proposal and thesis.
Scientific publication	Have access to scientific publications which can contribute to the preparation of my PhD proposal and thesis.
Market information	
Government regulations	
Master or Ph. D Thesis	Currently preparing a proposal with the rural sociology group of Wageningen University on the origin products of Cyprus as an initial step towards a PhD thesis. My participation as an associated researcher in SINER-GI, in relation to access to scientific information and publications (as mentioned above), is expected to help me in this preparation.
Other	

Type of collaboration desired

Fields	Yes	Comments
<i>Access to on-line information</i>		
Draft reports, internal forum	√	
Reference on www.origin-food.org	√	To have access to the documents on the website
<i>Other sources of information</i>		
Use of non published methodologies and guidelines	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Participation to project meetings	√	
<i>Financial issues and related projects</i>		
Access to "cost-sharing"	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Use of reference to SINER-GI and SINER-GI Associated Researcher status for developing new projects, applying to	<input type="checkbox"/>	

financial means, etc.		
Publication(s) with SINER-GI researcher(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other (precise)	<input type="checkbox"/>	

<i>Date of request for association</i>	
<i>Date of acceptance of association</i>	

To be fulfilled by the SINER-GI researcher responsible for the AR

Associated researchers

Commitment to participation and confidentiality

As associated researcher to the European Project SINER-GI, which aims are to "build and share a coherent scientific basis world-wide, regarding economic, legal, institutional and socio-cultural conditions of success of Geographical Indications, in order to support their legitimacy in the framework of WTO negotiations", I am willing to participate in its scientific activities during its duration.

In this framework, I will be associated in a process of exchange. In this way, I will support the project, receive and provide information and analysis on accurate data about Geographical Indications and their economic and institutional field in the world, hereafter the Confidential Information.

In order to provide protection against inappropriate use or unauthorised disclosure to a third party of the Confidential Information, I commit myself to the following :

I commit myself to keep those data and analysis confidential until they have been published by the consortium. I will not myself publish part or totality of those data and analysis, without refereeing to the Steering Committee or unless the Steering Committee of the project requests my participation in such a publication.

I will not use this Confidential Information with the purpose of direct or indirect exploitation, without the prior, written authorisation of the owners of the Confidential Information.

I will take all reasonable measures to prevent the personnel of the Institution I belong to, from disclosing all or part of this Confidential Information to a third party without the prior, written authorisation of the owners of the Confidential Information and, only give this Confidential Information to personnel of my Institution who agree to accept the provisions of this agreement concerning confidentiality.

I agree that none of these provisions may be interpreted as granting a license and/or any right and/or title whatsoever for the use of this Confidential Information.

I agree that any use of this Confidential Information shall be subject to the prior signature of an agreement with the owner(s) of the Confidential Information (including myself). However, Information shall not be deemed as confidential if an associate researcher is able to prove:

- that it was already in the public domain at the time it was communicated or that it has subsequently come into the public domain other than as a result of a breach of the obligation of secrecy, or
- that he already had the information before it was communicated to him/her; or
- that he freely received it from a third party which was at liberty to disclose it, or
- that he is legally bound to communicate it.

This secrecy agreement will be valid from the date of signature and will last as long as the said information is not in the public domain. As this commitment is also signed by the other associate researchers of SINER-GI project, the confidential information I will provide in the framework of the project is also protected from disclosure.

Publications produced in the frame of such a cooperation :

- will mention the SINER-GI project,
- will concern topics defined in collaboration with the SINER-GI Steering Committee,
- will be co-authored by at least one member from the core SINER-GI team.

Signatures		
Associated Researcher (name)	Date	Signature
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SINER-GI researcher responsible for the AR	Date	Signature
SINER-GI Co-ordinator	Date	Signature

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