



14th NRN Meeting **Thessaloniki, Greece.**



Wednesday 1st Feb 2012 – Day 1

1st Meeting of the Mediterranean Macro-regional NRN Cluster

(NRN's from Mediterranean Countries to participate)

Venue – Mediterranean Palace Hotel, Thessaloniki, Greece.

Time - 10.00 am

Programme

Meeting hosted by the Greek NRN and Co-chaired by IT and GR NRN

- Agenda will be distributed through a separate email by the Co-organisers.
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Evening

Social Event hosted by Greek Network

- 18. 30 pm - Visit to Byzantine Museum (<http://g.co/maps/2f2re>)
 - 20.00 pm - Welcome dinner at Restaurant "B" (www.brestaurant.gr)
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Thursday 2nd Feb 2012- Day 2.

NRN Meeting

Venue - Helexpo Grounds, Alexandros Meeting Room. (<http://g.co/maps/7d62h>)

MORNING SESSION	
8.30 am	Registration
9.00 am	Opening of the meeting – Co-chaired by Rob Peters, DG AGRI, Adrian Neal, ENRD CP
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Welcome statements from Special Secretary for the Ministry for Rural Development & Food - Mr Vangelis Divaris</i>• <i>Tour de table</i>• <i>Presentation by Greek NRN – Mr.Petros Mouchas</i>• <i>Presentation by Romanian NRN – Ms. Viviana Vasile</i>• <i>Questions and answers</i>
10.00 am	Feedback from the 1st Meeting of the Mediterranean Macro-regional NRN Cluster <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Overview of the main points emanating from the meeting</i>• <i>Questions and answers</i>
10.30 am	“The NRN Cafe” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Introduction and explanation of how the networking corner will work –Ms. Kasia Panfil, ENRD CP</i>• <i>Time for NRNs to explain and post the information they want to share with the other NRNs</i>• <i>Connect with a coffee</i>
11.30 am	Demonstrating the “Added-Value of Networking” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Update on the state of play of the NRN joint action / common methodology for demonstrating the “added-value of networking – Ms Anja Hayes, ENRD CP</i>• <i>Discussion of selected case studies and success stories Mr. Mark Redman, ENRD CP</i>• <i>Discussion on the 15th NRN Meeting in Finland (7-9th May 2012)</i>
13.00 pm	Lunch Break
Afternoon Session	
14.00pm	Cracking the Credit Crunch! <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Conclusions and recommendations arising from the Rural Finance Surveys – Mr. Peter Toth, ENRD NPE</i>• <i>Presentation on the current and proposed new legislative proposals on Financial engineering mechanisms – Mr. Nivelin Noev, DG AGRI</i>• <i>Questions and answers</i>

15.00 pm	Food in Action <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Update from the Short supply Chains Working Group– Mr. Christophe Buffet, French NRN and Ms. Sarah Watson, ENRD NPE</i> • <i>Presentation of the First European Market of Local Food Products- Ms. Beatrice Sauvignet, Chamber of Agriculture, France</i> • <i>Making connection between activities organised on local food, quality products, short supply chains, etc.- Mr. Mark Redman, ENRD CP</i> • <i>Question and answers</i>
16.00 pm	Coffee Break
16.15 pm	LAG Event – 27-28th April 2012 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Presentation of preliminary information about the 2012 LAG Event and the input/support required from NRNs - Ms. Kasia Panfil, ENRD CP</i> • <i>Questions and answers</i>
16.45 pm	Forthcoming Activities of DG AGRI and the Contact Point – Mr. Adrian Neal, ENRD CP
17.15 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Introduction to the projects to be visited during the field trip by the Greek NRN- Ms. Emilia Pavlou, Greek NRN</i>
17.30 pm	Closure of the Meeting

Evening

Free evening for everyone.

Possibility to visit the “**Agrotica Fair**” – Free entrance, Grounds close at 20.00 pm

(<http://www.helexpo.gr/default.aspx?lang=en-US&loc=1&page=2004>)

Friday 3rd Feb 2012- Day 3

Field Trips Programme

8.00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Departure from Hotel Mediterranean Palace
09:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Vergina Museum”- the impact of the archaeological findings on the rural economy, agricultural activity, jobs, etc
10:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Departure for Region of Imathia<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Visit to a small enterprise producing food products from organic raw materials➢ Visit to an agri-touristic investment “Arhontiko Athina”
11:45 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Departure for the traditional Greek restaurant “PEREK” in the Region of Thessaloniki
13:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tour of traditional food production facilities and premises;• Presentation by LAG Aneth on a number of projects carried out in the region (www.babatzim.gr – winery; www.ktimalikno.gr - multifunctional enterprise for recreation and events; http://ortyki.gr/wp/ - farming for quails; www.aneth.gr - Thessaloniki LAG & FLAG)• Lunch• Discussions (facilitated by Greek NRN and LAG)
16:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Departure to “Gerovasiliou” Vineyard, Winery and Museum
17.30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Departure to Hotel

Note – A Taxi may be called when we arrive at Perek (around 13.00pm) for participants that have flights in the late afternoon/evening (takes about 35 mins to airport and costs around €35)
