

Project title: "Protection of Autochthonous populations of Pelagonia SHEep breed in the cross-border area – PAPESHE"

INVITATION

FINAL CONFERENCE

Thessaloniki, 29/03/2021

Dear Colleague,

Assoc. Professor Alexandros Theodoridis, the project Manager, would like to invite you to the Final Conference of project "Protection of Autochthonous populations of Pelagonia SHEep breed in the cross-border area – **PAPESHE**". The action is co-funded by the European Union under the First call for proposals of the **INTERREG IPA Cross Border Cooperation Programme "Greece - Republic of North Macedonia 2014-2020"**.

The Conference will be of interest to farmer and processor organisations, government and non-governmental bodies and organizations with a role in the sheep sector. The aim is to discuss implementation strategies for PAPESHE project outputs and to provide recommendations at regional scale of future needs to improve the competitiveness and sustainability of Pelagonia sheep breed.

Date: The Conference will be held on **Monday 29/03/2021**.

Location: Web platform ZOOM

Zoom link to attend the Conference: <https://authgr.zoom.us/j/91585293057>

Meeting ID: 915 8529 3057

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AGENDA

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Introduction – Official Welcome	
10:30 - 10:35	Efstratios Stylianidis - Vice Rector for Research and Lifelong Learning (AUTH)
10:35 - 10:40	ELGO-Dimitra Representative
10:40 - 10:45	Vasileios Ambas - Vice Governor for Rural Development, Region of Western Macedonia
Presentation of the Project PAPESHE	
10:45 - 10:55	The PAPESHE project: Overview <i>Alexandros Theodoridis (AUTH)</i>
10:55 - 11:05	Pelagonia sheep productive characteristics and products quality as indicators of its importance <i>Vasiliki Kotsampasi (RIAS – ELGO)</i>
11:05 - 11:15	The Pelagonia breed and best practices guide <i>Konstantinos Zaralis (AUTH)</i>
11:15 - 11:25	Strategic plan for the conservation and development of Pelagonia sheep <i>Petar Dodovski (VIB)</i>
11.25 - 11.40 Break	
11:40 - 11:50	An integrated genetic improvement program in the CBA <i>Aristotelis Lymberopoulos (GEOTEE)</i>
11:50 - 12:00	Sustainable practices for farmers (Milk tanks and local Info Center) <i>Daniela Cvetanoska (MoD)</i>
12:00 - 12:10	Raising awareness for the importance of Pelagonia sheep breed in the CBA <i>Viktorija Jovcheska (CRD)</i>
12:10 - 12:50	Round Table and Discussion - Pelagonia Sheep as a tool for sustainable local and regional development <i>Chair: Athanasios Ragkos (RIAS – ELGO)</i>
12:50 - 13:00	Conclusions – Take home messages