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National Meeting focused on agro-food sector and environment – transfer of European experience

Speakers





Minister Sokratis Famellos

Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate Change, Greece

Sokratis Famellos is Alternate Minister of Environment & Energy since November 2016. Before, he was a Member of Parliament for Syriza. He holds a Chemical Engineer degree from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (1989), and a MSc degree in Environmental Planning (EAP, 2004), and worked before as self-employed engineer. His expertise areas are Environmental Engineering, Water Resources management, Recycling and Waste and Wastewater Management, and he has been in charge of management of trans-national European projects and initiatives, as well as recycling operations.



Liutauras Guobys

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Liutauras Guobys works as a Policy Officer at the Bioeconomy Directorate, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission (EC). He is responsible for the Secretariat of the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR). He is also a member of the European Commission Task Force on the Bioeconomy Strategy and is responsible, in close coordination with colleagues from other services and Directorates-General of the EC, for elaborating parts of the Strategy related to investing and financing of the bioeconomy actions. Throughout the career at the European Commission, European Parliament, Lithuanian Parliament (Seimas), European Economic and Social Committee, Liutauras Guobys has been involved in a broad range of activities of the EU, including Bioeconomy, Research, Innovation, Space, Transport, Energy, ICT, Industry, SMEs, Regional, Trade, Development policies, EU budgetary control, as well as international cooperation and inter-institutional collaboration and coordination.



Dr. Loukia Ekateriniadou

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Loukia Ekateriniadou is Head of the Laboratory of Molecular Biology/ Microbiology at the Veterinary Research Institute. She holds a B.A. degree in Biology from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, an MSc. degree in Microbiology and Animal Infectious Diseases of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, and a PhD degree in Molecular Microbiology. She is senior researcher and has 23 years of experience in the coordination of national and European research projects, and participation in more than 50 research programs (among them seven Institution Building and Twinning Lights projects). Loukia Ekateriniadou is author or co-author of more than 100 scientific publications. She is active in the development of molecular biology techniques for the identification and counting of lactic bacteria, study of antibiotic resistance of bacteria, sequencing of bacterial DNA sequences, application and evaluation of new diagnostic techniques, study of the genetic structure and variety of sheep breeds, and the development of strategy for animal health research. She is member of the SFU Executive Committee of SCAR Collaborative Working Group for Animal Health and Welfare.



Dr. Christine Bunthof

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Dr Christine Bunthof is policy advisor and leads the joint programming team at Wageningen University and Research. The joint programming officers at WUR Corporate Strategy & Accounts follow ERA policy and strategy, the JPIs, EJPs, Art 185 and ERA-NET Actions, with a focus on those in the areas of the bioeconomy, food, and the blue and green environment. The team maintains the website www.jointprogramming.nl and publishes a monthly newsletter. As WUR contact point for P2P partnerships the team gives advice and support to researchers, managers, and networks. Dr Bunthof coordinated the FP7 and the H2020 CSA project PLATFORM (Platform of bioeconomy ERA-NET Actions). Dr Bunthof has been involved actively in the Secretariat of FACCE-JPI since 2010, and is member of executive team for the ERA-NET Cofund FACCE ERA-GAS. In SCAR CASA Christine leads the work on inclusiveness and representation. She is also member of several national mirror groups and expert advisory boards of JPIs and ERA-NETs. Christine has an MSc degree in Molecular Sciences from Wageningen University, a PhD degree in Food Microbiology and was a post-doc fellow at the Dutch research institute Plant Research International. She worked previously as manager ERA-NET Plant Genomics (at the Dutch Research Council 2004-2010), as FP7 liaison officer and subsidy advisor (2010-2012), and has extensive experience in various review processes (of proposals, programmes, and ERA-NET Cofund processes). In 2013 Dr Bunthof was selected as European Bioeconomy Panel member.



Hanna Steffens

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Hanna Steffens works as a scientific officer at Project Management Jülich in the department Bioeconomy and European and International Affairs. Currently she is involved in the ERA-NETs CoBioTech and EuroTransBio. As Deputy of Project Coordinator Rolf Stratmann of the Horizon 2020 Coordination and Support Action CASA her responsibilities comprise coordination and management of the project. Formerly she worked at the German National Contact Point for Societal Challenge 2 in H2020. She holds a degree as pharmaceutical technician and has work experience in the pharmaceutical sector. Afterwards, she studied Molecular and Advanced Biotechnology and obtained her Master of Science at Aachen University where her research interests span enzyme technology, pharmacological applications and biomaterials.



Prof. Emmanouil Koukios

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Emmanuel Koukios is Professor Emeritus of Organic Technologies at the National Technical University of Athens, Greece. His current research interests focus on the emergence of bio-economy, approached from technological, managerial, and socio-cultural points of view.



Dr. Maeve Henchion

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Maeve Henchion is Head of the Department of Agrifood Business and Spatial Analysis within Teagasc – the semi-state agriculture and food development authority in Ireland. This is a multidisciplinary research department which aims to provide a knowledge base to enhance policy development at national and EU level in support of the the agri-food sector and wider bioeconomy, and to support informed decision making by farmers, food businesses and consumers. In addition, as a Principal Research Officer, Maeve leads a research programme that largely operates at the interface between the social and life sciences. She has a particular interest in bioeconomy-related research, addressing issues relating to national policy development, research commercialisation, and sustainability. She recently coordinated a research project that provided the underpinning knowledge to develop a national bioeconomy policy statement in Ireland. She is a co-platform leader for the multi-million Irish BEACON bioeconomy research centre; her platform focuses on bioeconomy-related sustainability issues. At EU level she is lead Irish PI on CASA and was the lead Irish PI for the recently-completed CommBeBiz project that aims to bridge the gap between research and industry and thus support the commercialisation of EU-funded bioeconomy research.



Dr. Alexandros Theodoridis

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Alexandros Theodoridis is a Bio-NCP at the German National Contact Point Bioeconomy since February 2014. He is one of the BBI JU experts in the NCP Bioeconomy. He also represents the German NCP Bioeconomy in the European Bio-NCP network “BioHorizon” and is a member of its management team. Before joining the National Contact Point he worked for 1.5 years as a programme manager in the field of European framework programmes (FP7 and Horizon 2020) for a project management office. He holds a PhD in immunobiology from the Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen-Nuremberg (Erlangen, Germany).



Dr. Annalisa Zezza

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Annalisa Zezza is Director of Research at the Council for Agricultural Research and Economics Research Center for Agricultural Policies and Bioeconomy- CREA-PB. She holds a Doctorate in Agricultural Economics and Policy (University of Naples, 1987). She has been General Director of the Italian National Institute of Agricultural Economics (INEA), and Research fellow at the Kennedy School at Harvard University. Her research activities focused on issues concerning CAP market policies, agriculture-environment relationships and on environmental impact assessment, bioenergy and eco-innovation. She is member of the Italian working group on the Bioeconomy strategy and of the EU SCAR Strategic Working Group on the Bioeconomy.



Prof. Michail Pavlidis

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Michail Pavlidis, Biologist, PhD, is a Professor of “Biology and Physiology of Marine Organisms” and Chairperson of the Department of Biology, at the University of Crete Greece. He was also Docent Professor in “Aquaculture - Biotechnology of Broodstock Management” at the University of Eastern Finland, Kuopio, Finland. He has more than 25 years of expertise on fish physiology - endocrinology. His current research is focusing on the molecular, environmental and husbandry interactions involved in the regulation of the stress response, and on the development of non-invasive reliable welfare indicators in fish. He has published 68 peer-reviewed papers, 2 review articles, 4 book chapters, more than 100 abstracts in international or national conferences and 4 popular articles. He has participated, as coordinator or principle investigator, in 26 EU, Bilateral and national funded R&D projects and networks relevant to aquaculture and fish welfare. He was a member of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) for the assessment of welfare of European sea bass and gilthead sea bream. He coordinates the FELASA Accredited Course “Care and use of laboratory animals: mice, rats and zebrafish”. He is currently Programme Manager and member of the Joint Programme Management Committee of the Erasmus Plus Joint Master Degree in “Aquaculture, Environment and Society”. He is a member of SCAR-FISH Strategic Working Group since March 2017.



Prof. Kalliopi Radoglou

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Kalliopi Radoglou is Head of the Department of Forestry and Management of Environment and Natural Resources since 2016. She is professor in Forest Ecophysiology since 2012. She also has long experience as senior researcher at the Forest Research Institute - DIMITRA in Thessaloniki in the field of impacts of climate change and environmental stress on Mediterranean tree species and ecosystems. She works on the restoration and rehabilitation of ecosystems and on the parameters controlling the quality and field performance of woody plant material. Currently she is scientific responsible of the LIFE FORESMIT project and SUMFOREST. She is a member of the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) since 2011 and vice chair of the SCAR Strategic working group FOREST since 2016.



Georgios Lourdis

Fishing Trips Organisation, Greece

Georgios Lourdis gave a presentation about activities of Pesca-tourism in Greece. He works for the Fishing Trips Organisation. Fishing Trips organises fishing trips all over Greece. Some of the trips they offer are: fishing trips on professional fishing boats, fishing trips on professional recreational boats, fishing trips from the beach with guides, fishing trips by kayak, fishing trips in lagoons, lakes and rivers, and fishing trips in brackish water lakes.



Dr. Agnes Spilioti

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Agnes Spilioti is the Head of the Policy Planning Directorate of the General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT) at the Ministry of Education, Research and Religious Affairs. She studied Biology at the University of Athens and she obtained a PhD and a DEA in Biological Oceanography in France (University Pierre et Marie Curie – Paris VI). Since 1984 she has been working at the GSRT of Greece, heading several GSRT units and directorates. In 2012 -2013 she was the Director of the Cabinet Office of the Secretary General for R&T. She has long experience in RTDI policy planning and management, at national and international levels. In the current Programming Period 2014-20 she is member of the Monitoring Committees of several Sectoral and Regional Operational Programmes. She has been appointed as national representative in many European and international Committees and working groups (OECD - SCTP and TIP Committees, EU Council and Programme Committees, ERA-Nets Steering Groups, OMC Working Groups etc.). She also headed the national Task Force for RTDI issues during the Greek Presidency of the European Council in the first semester of 2003. She has been project evaluator for the European Commission, as well as peer reviewer of the national research systems of Moldova and Kyrgyzstan. She is the author of several articles in the field of RTDI policy and she participated in many national and international conferences, workshops and events. She has been honoured as “Chevalier de l’ Ordre du Mérite” on behalf of the French Republic.



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Constantina Kottaridi is currently an Assistant Professor at the University of Piraeus, Department of Economics. She owns a BSc in Economics from Athens University of Economics and Business, an MSc in Economics from Iowa State University (ISU), USA , with a “Minor” in Statistics and a PhD title from Athens University of Economics and Business. She has served as a faculty member at the University of Peloponnese and has taught at Iowa State University (USA), London School of Economics (GB), Athens University of Economics and Business and the University of Ioannina. Currently, she is the Director of the Bioeconomy and Sustainable Growth Laboratory, a Special Adviser of Observatory Plus, Crisis Observatory, ELIAMEP (Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy) and a Board Member of the Centre of the Hellenic Language. In December 2015 she was appointed unanimously as Greece’s Representative at the Board of European International Business Academy (EIBA). Her research interests revolve around Economic Development and Growth, Institutions, Foreign Direct Investment and Multinational Corporations, Small and Medium Sized Enterprises and their internationalization. Her research is published in journals such as the Review of International Economics, International Business review, Journal of Macroeconomics, and Empirical Economics.



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Dr. Yannis Fallas has a Mining Engineer degree from the National Technical University of Athens and a PhD degree on “Clusters in Traditional Sectors” from the Architectural School of Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. He has been the Project Manager of the Regional Innovation Strategy Projects (RIS and RIS+) and the “Knowledge clusters” Innovative Actions Program of Western Macedonia, and coordinated the Regional Innovation Pole and the Regional Innovation Office of Western Macedonia. He has been the National Coordinator of the Strategic Med project “PROFORBIOMED” and external expert on innovation issues for a number of EU projects. He has long experience with Cross-border and interregional cooperation projects (Horizon 2020, FP7, Interreg IIIC, IVC, Med, Black Sea, etc), coordinated several foresight exercises and has worked with a large number of S.M.E.’s (feasibility studies, project proposals and implementation, etc). He has been assisting the development of a number of biomass and bioenergy clusters, especially around the Mediterranean basin. He is currently the Director of the Bioenergy and Environment Cluster in Western Macedonia and member of the European Bioeconomy Panel of the European Commission (DG RTD).

She is co-inventor of patents, author & co-author of dozens of articles in scientific journals and books regarding bio-materials and products. She has participated in many scientific networks and has acted as technical manager and leader of research teams in over twenty research projects funded by both Greece and the European Union regarding the development of bio-based products.



Electra Papadopoulou

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Electra Papadopoulou is a chemist (BSc) with an MSc in materials. She is senior researcher on bio-based polymers at Chimar Hellas S.A. in Greece. She was BioEconomy Expert in the EU BioEconomy Panel until 2015, and is a member of the Register of Greek reviewers, national evaluator of COST ACTION proposals and member of the Association of Greek Chemists. She is co-inventor of patents, author & co-author of dozens of articles in scientific journals and books regarding bio-materials and products. She has participated in many scientific networks and has acted as technical manager and leader of research teams in over twenty research projects funded by both Greece and the European Union regarding the development of bio-based products.