

## **Deliverable 4.2.4 B2B networking events**

### **FEDERATION OF PROFESSIONAL CRAFTS AND TRADE ASSOCIATIONS OF EVROS**

#### **Introduction**

#### **PDO-PGI-TSG PRODUCTS**

Protected Designation of Origin (PDO) Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) Traditional Specialities Guaranteed (TSG)

In 1992 according to the regulation 2081/92, the European Union first adopted the system for the protection of geographical indications and the designations of origin of agricultural products and foodstuffs and according to the regulation 2082/92 the rules on the certificates of specific character for agricultural products and foodstuffs. In 2006 to improve the system, the above regulations have been replaced by regulations (EC) 510/06 and (EC) 509/06 respectively, without changing their scope and feasibility.

By Regulation (EE)1151/2012 of 21 November 2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs the above mentioned regulations ((EC)509/2006 and (EC)510/2006) are merged into a single legal framework. While in this regulation have been added and other quality schemes such as optional quality terms "mountain product", "product of island farming" etc.

In accordance with the aforementioned regulations and under the reorientation of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), the farmers are encouraged to switch to forms of integrated rural development through the diversification of rural production. Furthermore, it is possible the producers (especially in disadvantaged and remote areas) to promote easily their products with special characteristics, achieving better market prices and thereby improving their income and on the other hand consumers to buy quality products with guarantees for the production, processing and geographic origin.

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## Definitions

### Designation of origin

'Designation of origin' is a name which identifies a product:

- (a) originating in a specific place, region or, in exceptional cases, a country;
- (b) whose quality or characteristics are essentially or exclusively due to a particular geographical environment with its inherent natural and human factors; and
- (c) the production steps of which all take place in the defined geographical area.

### Geographical indication

'Geographical indication' is a name which identifies a product:

- (a) originating in a specific place, region or country;
- (b) whose given quality, reputation or other characteristic is essentially attributable to its geographical origin; and
- (c) at least one of the production steps of which take place in the defined geographical area

### Traditional Speciality Guaranteed Product

A name shall be eligible for registration as a 'traditional speciality guaranteed' where it describes a specific product or foodstuff that:

- (a) results from a mode of production, processing or composition corresponding to traditional practice for that product or foodstuff; or
- (b) is produced from raw materials or ingredients that are those traditionally used.

## Competent Authorities for official controls

In Greece, since 1.6.2006, [EL.G.O. DEMETER](#) (former AGROCERT), has been authorized to grant certification to enterprises, to carry out controls in cooperation with the [Directorates of the Rural Development of the Prefectures](#), to ensure compliance with the specifications, to certify the products in question as well as to keep a [register of the enterprises approved for the usage of PDO and PGI indications](#).

Applicant groups submit their applications for registration to the:

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MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOOD DIRECTORATE OF QUALITY SYSTEMS, ORGANIC FARMING & GI's Unit of PDO, PGI, TSG and other quality schemes  
Athinon Avenue 58, 104 41 Athens email: [pdo-pgi@minagric.gr](mailto:pdo-pgi@minagric.gr), tel: 210 5275286-287-288-289, Fax: 210 5275273

The scrutiny of each application is carried out in two stages, in national level in Greece and international level. It is a long term procedure due to the different stages are included.

### **EU Legislation**

- **Regulation (EU) 1151/2012** of the 21/12/2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs
- **Regulation (EU) 2021/2117** of the European Parliament and of the Council of 2 December 2021 amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products, (EU) No 1151/2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, (EU) No 251/2014 on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of aromatised wine products and (EU) No 228/2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union
- **COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 668/2014** of 13 June 2014 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs
- **COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) No 664/2014** of 18 December 2013 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the establishment of the Union symbols for protected designations of origin, protected geographical indications and traditional specialities guaranteed and with regard to certain rules on sourcing, certain procedural rules and certain additional transitional rules
- **COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) No 665/2014** of 11 March 2014 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to conditions of use of the optional quality term 'mountain product'

### **National Legislation**

- **Common Ministerial Decision (CMD) 261611** (O.G no.406/22-3-2007, issue B) with additional measures of the Reg. 510/06 and 1898/06
- **CMD 290398 (O.G no 694/21-4-2008 issue B)** amending the CMD 261611/2007

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- [CMD 318764 \(OG no 1683/21-08-2008 issue B\)](#) amending the CMD 261611/2007

## Procedure of Oppositions

Any natural or legal person, having legitimate interest, resident in the Greek territory, have the right to oppose to the registration applications or amendments of specifications.

Oppositions are submitted, according to Annex V of the CMD 261611/2007 (OJ 4068), within the time limit, to the following address:

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It is noted that all the interested parties, applicants and objectors, have access to all the data concerning the concerned file.

## Publication of applications for registration and for amendment of specifications in the Official Journal of the European Union in order to lodge a substantiated statement of opposition

1. In order to see the list of names published in the Official Journal of the EU for which the Commission considers that all conditions are met, follow the instructions:
  - Connect to [DOOR](#) database
  - In the window "processing phase of the application" choose "has been published"
  - Choose "Search"
2. In order to see the published Single Document concerning the above names:
  - Choose the specific number of the file
  - In the display window, select the issue C of the Official Journal of the European Union

## Opposition Procedure

In the case of registration applications or applications for amendment of specifications, any Member State or Third Country may lodge an opposition statement, within three

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months from the date of publication, in the Official Journal of the European Union, according to the [Annex III of the Reg. \(EC\) 668/2014](#).

A natural or legal person, having a legitimate interest established or resident in a Member state other (other than the one applied for the registration) may also object to the proposed registration by lodging a duly substantiated statement according to the [Annex III of the Reg. \(EC\) 668/2014](#).

In the case of a natural or legal person established or resident in Member state, such statement shall be lodged through the Member state within a time-limit permitting an objection in the Commission of the E.U.

Oppositions of natural or legal persons established in Greece are submitted to the following Hellenic Authority:

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### **Selection by category**

- [Olive oil – Olives](#)
- [Cheeses](#)
- [Fruit- Vegetable- Nuts and Pulses](#)
- [Bakery and confectionery products](#)
- [Fresh fish, molluscs, and crustaceans and products derived therefrom](#)
- [Other products of animal origin](#)
- [Natural gums and resins](#)
- [Essential oils](#)
- [Other products](#)

You can view the Community Products PDO-PGI and TSG as well as their specifications according to:

- the country of origin
- the name of the product
- the product type
- the name applied for (PDO –PGI or TSG)
- processing stage of the application (application submission, publication, registration)

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