
Trans-Domain COST Action TD1404 (NEOH)

**Workshop on
“How One Health works in practice”
in Thessaloniki**



for participants from COST inclusiveness countries

Background

The EU COST funded project Network for Evaluation of One Health (NEOH) is offering a one day workshop on the topic **“How One Health works in practice”** with the aim to raise awareness of One Health activities and their evaluations and encourage capacity building for One Health.

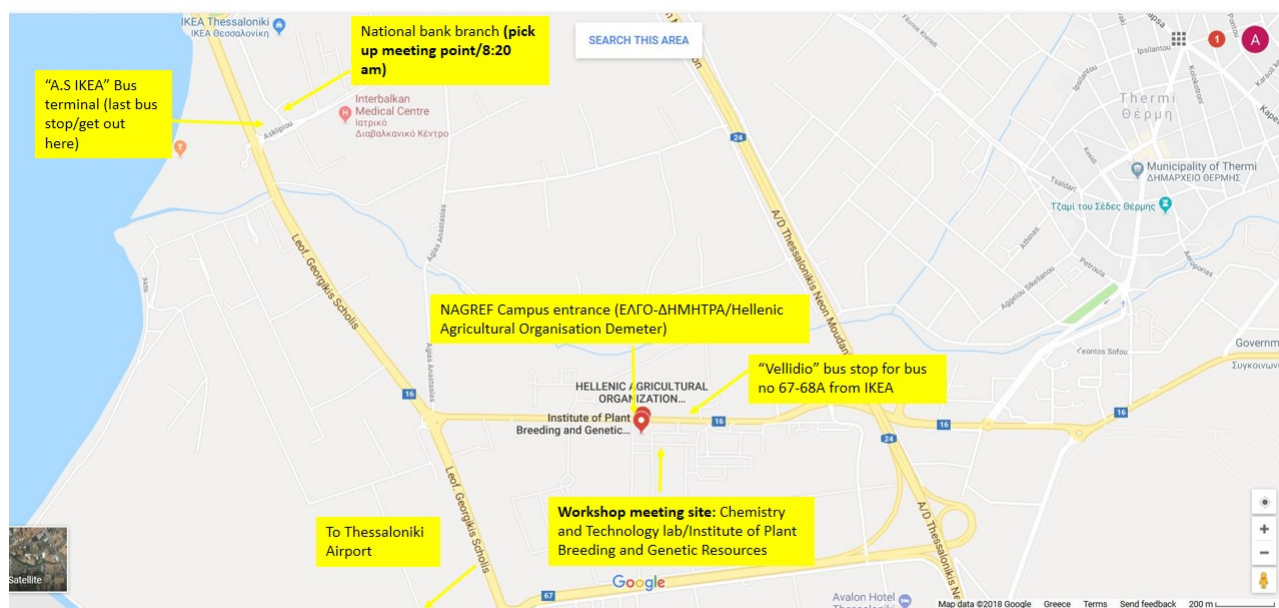
Basic information

- **Dates:** 16th of April 2018
- **Location:** Hellenic Agricultural Organization Demeter/Plant Breeding and Genetic Resources Institute/ Chemistry and Technology Lab, Thermi, Thessaloniki
- **Local organisers:** Dr Anastasios Saratsis (T.Saratsis@gmx.de), Dr Smaragda Sotiraki (smaro_sotiraki@yahoo.gr), Dr Vaia Kantzoura (kantzoura@vri.gr)



Address and map

The workshop will take place at the Chemistry and Technology Lab of the Plant Breeding and Genetic Resources Institute, which belongs to the Hellenic Agricultural Organisation Demeter (ΕΛΓΟ-ΔΗΜΗΤΡΑ) within the NAGREF Campus in Thermi (<http://www.ipgrb.gr/index.php/contact>). It is situated in close proximity to Thessaloniki airport and IKEA. On the day of the meeting we will arrange your pick up by car at 8:20 am from the “IKEA” east bus terminal. From the city center you can take either bus no 3 or bus no 8 in order to reach IKEA bus terminal (last bus stop for both lines). Check the www.oasth.gr website for bus routes and schedule. Consider at least a 40-50 min drive from the city center in order to be at the IKEA bus terminal on time. Our meeting point will be in front of the National Bank branch, which is next to the bus terminal. If for any reason you should be late busses 67 or 68A depart from IKEA bus terminal to bus stop “Vellidio” (ΒΕΛΛΙΔΕΙΟ/4th bus stop from IKEA). You then have to walk back (100 m) to our campus entrance, where signs will lead you to the workshop meeting site.







Programme




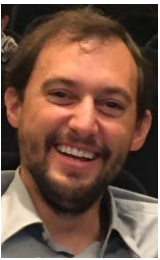
16th of April 2018 (Monday)

Time	Topic	In charge
09.00-09.15	Welcome and overview of the workshop	Anastasios Saratsis, Smaragda Sotiraki, Vaia Kantzoura
09.15-09.45	The changing One Health landscape – historical considerations and progress in institutionalisation, monitoring and evaluation of One Health	Barbara Häsler
09.45-10.45	<p>One Health initiatives in practice – examples and their progress, successes and difficulties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Veterinary Research Institute initiatives in the context of One Health: Current collaborations and examples. • The Dutch national Zoonoses Structure, an integrated human-veterinary risk analysis structure formally installed by the Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport, and the Ministry of Economic Affairs <p>Plenary discussion</p>	<p>Smaragda Sotiraki</p> <p>Kitty Maassen</p>
10.45-11.15	<i>Coffee/tea break</i>	
11.15-12.15	<p>One Health initiatives in practice – examples and their progress, successes and difficulties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One Health education and institutionalisation in Slovenia • Implementing One Health in Romania: lessons learned so far <p>Plenary discussion</p>	<p>Jože Starič</p> <p>Alexandru Supeanu</p>
12.15-13.15	<i>Lunch break</i>	

13.15-15.00	<p>Examples of evaluations of One Health initiatives and indicators for their evaluation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lessons learned and insights from case studies conducted in the Network for Evaluation of One Health • Key findings from Chatham House’s analysis of 100 One Health networks including accountability mechanisms, monitoring and evaluation • Highlights from Chatham House roundtable on <i>One Health: Developing Indicators to Monitor Progress towards Implementation</i> 	<p>Sara Savic</p> <p>Afifah Rahman-Shepherd & Osman Dar</p> <p>Afifah Rahman-Shepherd & Osman Dar</p>
15.00-15.30	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>	
15.30-16.15	<p>Panel discussion on progress towards institutionalisation of One Health in Greece with panel speakers discussing the questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>What is the progress of One Health institutionalisation in Greece?</i> - <i>What do the different institutions contribute?</i> - <i>What is driving the process?</i> - <i>What are success, weaknesses and barriers?</i> - <i>Is there an enabling environment?</i> - <i>What are the expectations/plans for the future?</i> <p>Plenary discussion</p>	<p>Maria Linou, Elias Papadopoulos Dimitrios Arvanitis</p>
16.15-17.00	Small group discussions	Everybody
17.00-17.30	Insights into One Health funding opportunities	Vasileios Takavakoglou-Eleanna Pana
Workshop closes		
19:30-22:00	Voluntary workshop dinner	Details to be confirmed

Speaker biographies

<p>Smaragda Sotiraki</p> 	<p>Dr Smaragda Sotiraki is a senior researcher and leads a research group on Parasitology and Parasitic diseases at the Veterinary Research Institute Hellenic Agricultural Organisation-Demeter and focuses her R&D activities on epidemiology of parasitic infections, integrated disease management and spread of parasitic zoonoses. She holds a Degree in Veterinary Medicine and a Doctorate in Veterinary Parasitology (1991), both from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece and conducted post-doctoral research at the Royal Agricultural & Veterinary University in Denmark between 2002 and 2004. She is also a <i>de facto</i> member of the European College for Veterinary Parasitology. Dr Sotiraki has over 20 years R&D and teaching experience in parasitology and health management and he has produced over sixty peer-reviewed scientific publications in well recognised journals with a noteworthy number of citations.</p>
<p>Kitty Maassen</p> 	<p>Dr Kitty Maassen is head of the department Animal & Vector of the Center of Zoonoses and Environmental microbiology. The focus of this department is to study public health related to zoonotic agents via wild life and livestock, including antibiotic resistance and via vectors such as ticks and mosquito's. She is working at the RIVM since 2011. Before, she was also working in the area of zoonoses at the Central Veterinary Institute in Lelystad (currently WBVR). One of her current tasks is coordinating the signalling forum as part of the Dutch zoonoses structure in which (potential) zoonotic signals are discussed and assessed in a monthly meeting with representatives from the human and veterinary health domains. In line with this work she is coordinator of the project COHESIVE of the European Joint Programme Zoonoses. COHESIVE is the acronym for One Health Structure in Europe.</p>
<p>Sara Savic</p> 	<p>Sara Savic, PhD, DVM is Head of Department of serology, immunology and biochemistry, at the Scientific Veterinary Institute "Novi Sad" in Novi Sad, Serbia. She works in a lab in charge of zoonoses, infectious diseases of animals and also vector borne diseases. Dr Savic graduated as DVM at Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Belgrade, Serbia in 1994, MSc in Microbiology and infectious diseases in 2001 at the same faculty, and PhD at the Faculty of agriculture, Department for Veterinary Medicine at University of Novi Sad in 2010. Today she works as a Senior Research Associate at the Scientific Veterinary Institute. Her research is mainly on zoonoses, especially on vector borne zoonoses such as Lyme borreliosis, dirofilariosis and leishmaniasis, from the perspective of public health. She has authored and co-authored many articles in peer-reviewed veterinary and health journals and acts as reviewer of several journals in animal health care.</p>
<p>Barbara Häslér</p> 	<p>Dr Barbara Häslér, NEOH chair, graduated in veterinary medicine from the University of Bern in 2002 and then did a doctoral thesis at the Swiss Federal Veterinary Office on the epidemiology and economics of neosporosis control. After working as a border veterinary inspector, she joined the Royal Veterinary College, where she did a PhD on the economics of animal health surveillance while simultaneously studying for a Certificate of Higher Education in Economics. Since 2012 she has been working (first as a Post-Doctoral Fellow and now as a lecturer in Agrihealth) for the Leverhulme Centre for Integrative Research on Agriculture and Health (LCIRAH), Royal Veterinary College. Her main area of interest is the integration of economic, social and epidemiological aspects in animal disease mitigation to provide practical and feasible tools that support decision-makers in the efficient allocation of resources. She is particularly committed to the development of interdisciplinary frameworks that support appropriate surveillance and intervention programmes for the control of foodborne and zoonotic diseases in food systems both in the developed and developing world.</p>

<p>Osman Dar</p>  <p>Afifah Rahman-Shepherd</p> 	<p>Chatham House, the Royal Institute of International Affairs, is an independent policy institute based in London. Their mission is to help build a sustainably secure, prosperous and just world. Research is at the core of Chatham House as they undertake independent and rigorous analysis of critical global, regional and country-specific challenges and opportunities, and offer new ideas on tackling them in the near to long term. Chatham House's Centre on Global Health Security examines key global health challenges and how they manifest themselves as foreign policy and international affairs problems.</p> <p>Dr Osman Dar, Project Director, One Health Project, Centre on Global Health Security, Chatham House. He is a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (Edinburgh) and a fellow of the Faculty of Public Health at the Royal College of Physicians (London). At Chatham House, he is director of the Centre on Global Health Security's One Health project, an umbrella term referring to the Centre's work on antimicrobial resistance, livestock and its IDRAM project</p> <p>Afifah Rahman-Shepherd, Research Analyst, Centre on Global Health Security, Chatham House, has an MSc in the Control of Infectious Diseases from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. As Research Analyst with the Centre, she conducts and coordinates research into several ongoing projects in the field of One Health. Prior to this role, Afifah was involved in infectious disease outbreak control and investigation at the Centre for Global Health Research and Education, Institut Pasteur Paris.</p>
<p>Vasileios Takavakoglou</p> 	<p>Dr Vasileios Takavakoglou, Agronomist, M.Sc. & Ph.D. in Ecology and Agri-Ecosystems Management from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. Specialized training in Technological and Economic Aspects of Soil Bio/Phyto Remediation by United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). More than 20 years of experience in agri-environmental research, project development and funding consultancy. Member of the Focus Group "Water and Agriculture" of the European Innovation Partnership (EIP-AGRI) since 2015. Innovation award in Scientific Research and Entrepreneurship from Region of Central Macedonia (2005). Executive consultant of North Aegean Region in DG Enterprise & Industry of European Commission (2014). Evaluators Registry of European Commission DG Research and Technological Development (Expert ID: EX2013D147460). Evaluator of ERANETMED Programme (2015-2017). Evaluator of SmartAgriFood & ICT –AGRI ERANET scheme under the FP7 for Research of European Commission (2015). Development and participation in 75 European and national projects and studies. More than 70 publications in scientific journals, conferences and books.</p>
<p>Jože Starič</p> 	<p>Assoc. prof. Jože Starič, DVM, MSc, PhD, spec. buiatrics, received his veterinary degree from the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia, where he also pursued his doctoral thesis on the periparturient hypocalcaemia early diagnostics and management, clinical training in ruminant medicine and surgery and postgraduate research work. He joined the faculty of the Veterinary faculty at the University of Ljubljana and headed the Clinic for ruminants between 2013 and 2016. He is a subject leader and teacher for Diseases and health care of ruminants. His clinical and research expertise and interests are in metabolic disorders of ruminants, vector borne diseases and surgery of ruminant stomach, which are reflected in over 150 original research and professional publications as well as many more reviews and scientific abstracts. At the National veterinary institute of Slovenia he is responsible for field diagnosing of reportable contagious ruminant diseases. He is management board member of Mediterranean Federation for Health and Production of Ruminants (Fe.Me.S.P.Rum.). He is participating in and leading many national and international educational and scientific projects, including Tempus »Public health in the Western Balkans – improvement in the field of public health and development of a "one health" educational and scientific architecture in Western Balkan countries "One Health"«, where he was coordinating Slovenian team.</p>

<p>Alexandru Supeanu</p> 	<p>Dr Alexandru Supeanu, a veterinarian by trade, earned his Bachelor degree from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in Bucharest in 2012, the same year that he obtained his master’s diploma. Dr. Supeanu is currently working as an official veterinarian at the National Sanitary Veterinary and Food Safety Authority in Romania (NSVFSA), the central competent authority in Romania that regulates and controls food safety, animal health and welfare, zoonoses and antimicrobial resistance. Prior to this position, he has worked for the Food Safety of Animal Origin Directorate within the NSVFSA. Before becoming an official veterinarian, Dr. Alexandru Supeanu worked in the private sectors of scientific research, patenting, innovation and manufacturing medical devices. Dr. Supeanu has published 11 peer-reviewed research articles in national and international journals, has participated in over 15 congresses and conferences, and has been involved in the organizing of 3 international congresses and conferences. From 2013/2016 and until 2018, he has coordinated the editorial activities for the International Journal of Comparative Oncology and International One Health Journal publications. Since August 2017, Dr. Alexandru Supeanu is a fellow of the European Food Safety Authority. His involvement in One Health started in 2015, when he was one of the founders of One Health Romania, and the spokesperson until 2018. Dr. Alexandru Supeanu is also the President of the Executive Council of Students for One Health since 2017.</p>
<p>Elias Papadopoulos</p> 	<p>Professor Elias Papadopoulos graduated (DVM) in 1988 from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Greece). Master in Veterinary Science (MSc) degree in Veterinary Parasitology in 1992 from the University of Liverpool (UK). PhD degree in 1997 from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. He is diplomate of the European Veterinary Parasitology College (EVPC) and the European College of Small Ruminant Health Management (ECSRHM). He is Professor and Head of the Laboratory of Parasitology and Parasitic Diseases at the School of Veterinary Medicine, Faculty of Health Sciences, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. He has received training on various aspects of parasitology in established European research centres and Universities. He has participated in several national and international research projects, published papers and delivered lectures in national and international scientific conferences. His research interests include mainly antiparasitic resistance and vector borne diseases.</p>
<p>Maria Linou</p> 	<p>Dr Maria Linou is an Aristotle University of Thessaloniki Veterinary School graduate and holds a PhD from the University of Athens Medical School. She is a member of the Diagnostic Department of the Hellenic Pasteur Institute (HPI) responsible for veterinary services and laboratory tests of zoonotic infectious diseases, a member of the HPI’s Office of Development and the coordinator of the HPI’s One Health committee. She holds a FELASA cat. C certificate and has experience in the use of laboratory animals for research and diagnosis of human and animal diseases. Since 1995 she has been an active clinician at her own veterinary clinic in Athens. She was a member of the National West Nile Virus Prevention Committee of the Hellenic Ministry of Health (2011-2012). In addition, she is an active member of the National Committee for the Prevention of Rabies of the Hellenic Ministry of Rural Development and Food (2015- today), the elected Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Veterinary Society (2015 - today) and a founding member and elected General Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Scientific Society of One Health (2017 – today). She is also the AMR focal point (alt) to WHO for Greece (2017 - today). Her main interests focus on the implementation of the principles of the “One Health” initiative in Greece through a multidisciplinary and cross-sectoral approach through scientific and social activities towards researchers, health professionals, decision makers, government and public.</p>

**Dimitrios
Arvanitis**



Dr Dimitrios Arvanitis is a medical doctor in Hellenic Army. His area of expertise is Microbiology-Laboratory Medicine-Infectious Diseases. He is head of the Infectious Diseases-Zoonoses Laboratory Analysis Dptm of Army hospital of Thessaloniki since September 2016. He holds a degree of MD from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and has a degree from the Infectious Diseases Hospital of Thessaloniki. Since 2015 he is an associated researcher at the Veterinary Research Institute and promotes liaison with the Army Hospital.

Logistics

- **Accommodation:** You can find a variety of reasonable priced hotels or apartments at Thessaloniki city center. A city guide to Thessaloniki can be found here: www.inthessaloniki.com/en/
- **Transfer to – from the airport:** The only means of connection between Thessaloniki airport (SKG) and the city centre is either by bus or by taxi. Bus no 78 connects the airport with the city centre at regular intervals (every 30 min/cost: 2€) during day and night. Information on the schedule and route of the bus can be found at the following website: www.oasth.gr. Taxis are charged by a taximeter based on distance. The approximate cost of the journey from Thessaloniki airport to the city centre is 20€ during the day (05:00-24:00) and 25€ at night (00:01-04:59). Please note that COST has specific rules on the use of taxis, which can be found in the COST Vademecum.

Eligibility

This workshop is specifically for participants from COST inclusiveness target countries participating in NEOH, namely **Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, Malta, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, and the Republic of Serbia.**

Participants either need to be employed by or be a PhD student (other students are not eligible) at an institution in an inclusiveness country, which can be universities, colleges, research institutes, national NGOs, public bodies, etc, but NOT international organisations, or EU institutions. The following official COST eligibility criteria apply as defined in the *COST Vademecum* (<http://www.cost.eu/download/COSTVademecum>):

PARTICIPANTS ELIGIBLE TO BE REIMBURSED

1. Action Participants from Participating COST Full Members / COST Cooperating Members.
2. Action Participants from Approved NNC Institutions.
3. Action Participants from Approved European RTD Organisations.
4. Up to four Invited Speakers whose primary affiliation is with an institution located in a non-Participating COST Full Member / COST Cooperating Member (which also includes COST Full Members / COST Cooperating Members listed as being under intention and / or individuals who have not yet obtained Action MC approval to participate in a given Action), individuals in non-approved NNC institutions and individuals located in non-approved IPC institutions. Invited Speakers are specialists who are not Action Participants but can partake in one COST Action meeting throughout the lifetime of the Action. Repeated participation of the same Invited Speakers for meetings cannot be funded under the COST Grant. Invited Speakers must be invited, and listed, as a speaker on the programme / agenda of the relevant Action meeting.

PARTICIPANTS NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE REIMBURSED

1. Action MC Observers from COST Partner Members, Approved IPC Institutions, Approved IO and EU Commission, bodies, offices and agencies.
2. Any other participant not specifically mentioned as being eligible.

Should we not fill all the places with participants from NEOH Inclusiveness Target Countries, we will open the registration to other NEOH member countries as well.

Contacts

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