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Expert support for cheese producers in the Republic of Croatia

**15th European Farmhouse and Artisan Cheese &
Dairy Meeting 2025**

Rovinj, 27. -29. October 2025.

Beginnings...

2004 = establishment of the Cheesemaking Working Group within the Public Advisory Service

2005 and 2006 = own education in cooperation with the scientific community (**Prof. Samir Kalit, University of Zagreb, Faculty of Agriculture**)

Activities from 2005 to present

- advisor training
- purchase of equipment for practical workshops
- education and association of producers
- lobbying (national legislation)
- research and projects
- expert excursions
- cheese evaluations
- expert meetings and events
- international cooperation

**ALL WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY AND LOCAL
AND REGIONAL SELF-GOVERNMENT AND STATE ADMINISTRATION**

Advisor training



Producer education



Association of producers

- 2006 – County associations (19)
- 2007 – Association of Small Cheesemakers Associations of the Republic of Croatia “SirCro”
- 2015 – Association of Small Cheesemakers Associations of the Republic of Croatia “SirCro” (without associations)
- 2025 – The Association has 40 permanent members, and there are even more small cheesemakers who are not members

In addition, in the Republic of Croatia today there are:

- Association of Small Cheesemakers of the LSŽ "Lika Škripavac,,
- Association of Croatian Small Dairies (12 members)
- Pag Cheesemakers - Association of Pag Cheese Producers (12 members)

Lobbing

Veterinary and Food Safety Authority

- Regulations (2007, 2015, 2019)
- Adoption of VDHP, with the help of Slovenian colleagues (2013)
- Flexibility (2015)

The most important research and projects

- Proving of compliance of cheeses with microbiological criteria for *Listeria Monocytogenes* (cooked, crumbly and semi-hard cheeses)
- Validation of product shelf life (sour cream, fresh cheese, yogurt)
- IPA project "Progress" - Regional cheese production - entrepreneurial value for rural development
- Project "Cheese senses - Support to the cheese producers,,
- FACE in itineres
- TEACHEESY
- Discover Farmhouse Cheese
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Expert excursions



Cheese evaluations



Expert meetings and events

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Petak, 19. 12. o

SIRARSKI

1. Predstavljajanje Sav
predsjednica Sav
2. Predstavljajanje Z
Higijenske Praks
zbornica Slovenij
3. „Legalizacija“ ob
Uprava za veteri
4. Promocija i degu
5. Svečani ručak za

Subota, 20. 12.

MALI SIRA

1. prodaja selja
2. ocjena sireva



SAVJETOVANJE

u
HOT

PROGRAM:

- 11.00 – Pozdravne riječi i otvaranje**
11.30 – Mjere ruralnog razvoja u
upravljanje EU fondom za ruralni razvoj
11.50 – Prijava malih projekata u
Savjetodavna služba
12.10 – LEADER mreža Hrvatske
12.30 – Rasprava
13.00 – Pauza za kavu
13.30 – Označavanje sireva sukladno
hrane i fitosanitarne politike
13.50 – Novosti vezane za registar
Zrinka Dugonjić, dr. vet. m.
14.20 – Predstavljanje projekata
Višnja Magdić, dipl. ing., Savjetodavna
15.10 – Predstavljanje novog logotipa
15.30 – Rasprava
16.00 – Ručak

POKROVITELJI: Grad Zagreb



PROGRAM 5. SIRCS

Održava se u sklopu CROAGRO sajma na ZAGREBAČ



ČETVRTAK, 5.12.

5. SIRCROFEST i 9. SAVJETOVANJE

Prodajna izložba sireva na kojoj sudjeluje

OTVORENA POZORNICA – PAVILJON 6:

Otvaranje SirCrofesta - 13:00 sati
13.00 – 13.15 - Uvodni pozdravi (15 min)
13.15 – 13.30 - Izvješće s Regionalnih i Nacionalnih natjecanja (15 min)
13.30 – 14.15 - Dodjela diploma i priznanja s najboljih proizvođača (45 min)

PROSTOR ISPRED POZORNICE (SIRCRO)

14.30 – 15.30 - Izložba i degustacija ocjenjeni

MAŁA DVORANA U PAVILJONU 6:

Predavanja – 9. savjetovanje malih sira
 15.45 – 16.00 - Kako pripremiti i dopremiti m
 Kalit (15 min)
 16.00 – 16.15 - Rezultati analiza uzoraka dije
 mliječnih proizvoda na suhu tvar, prof. dr. sc.
 16.15 – 16.30 - Predstavljanje projekta "Modi
 sirutke – SIRENA", doc.dr. sc. Marijana Blažić
 16.30 – 16.45 - Sirevi sa smanjenim udjelom s
 16.45 – 17.00 - Novosti iz Uprave za veterina
 odobrenju objekata), Zrinka Dugonjić, dr. vet.
 17.00 – 17.30 - Pauza (30 min)

MAŁA DVORANA U PAVILJONU 6:

Radionica
17.30 – 19.00 – Sijublivanje sira i piva (1,5 sat)
19.00 – 19.15 – Zaključci radionice

PETAK, 6.12.

OTVORENA POZORNICA – PAVILJON 6:
13:00-15:00 - Prezentacija rezanja sireva i pr
austrijskih i hrvatskih sireva, ing. Josef Stiendl
namijenjena za sve zainteresirane sirare i pos

PROMEMORIJA – DAN MALIH SIRARA SirCro 2024

Uprava za stručnu podršku razvoju poljoprivrede kroz sve svoje ustrojstvene oblike je bila na usluzi poljoprivrednicima pa tako i malim sirarima.

Dio savjetnika okupljenih u Radnu grupu za sirarstvo već 20 godina radi na unaprijeđenju sirarstva na obiteljskim gospodarstvima te već dugi godina uz pomoć Saveza malih sirara Republike Hrvatske „SirCQ“ organizira i ocjenjivanje sireva u početku kroz regionalna i nacionalna, a u zadnjih 7 godina se organizira jedno nacionalno ocjenjivanje godišnje.

Na ovom 7. po redu Nacionalnom ocjenjivanju sireva i drugih mliječnih proizvoda ocijenjeno je 105 proizvoda što je zavidna brojka.

Čestitam svim nagrađenima i želim uspjeh u radu svima.

Program:

10.00 sati - službeni dio

- Uvodne i pozdravne riječi
- Presjek razvoja sirarstva na OPG-u kroz 20 godina
- Izvješće sa 7. Nacionalnog ocjenjivanja sireva i drugih mliječnih proizvoda
- Dodjela Zahvalnica
- Dodjela diploma i priznanja

12.15 sati – radni dio

- Druženje i sirarska zakuska
- Važne obavijesti za sirare
- Vođena degustacija sira i sljubljivanje šampionskih sireva s autohtonim vinima

International cooperation



Expert support today...

- The public advisory service has changed names and leadership several times since 2005, but the cheese advisors have remained at the service of small cheese makers and have worked closely with the Association throughout.
- Today, **the Association has the full support of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries**, which also includes the advisory service as the Directorate for Professional Support for Agricultural Development, since 2019.

Expert support today...

- The Ministry strongly supported this conference with significant financial support and human resources (**14 advisors are here, and half of them have been involved in the organization of the conference from the beginning with the consent and support of the Director Mr. Mladen Fruk**).
- The scientific community also continues to be a great support to us advisors-cheesemakers and to the "SirCro" Association itself and its members (University of Zagreb: Faculty of Agronomy, Veterinary and Food Biotechnology, Polytechnics in Križevci, Karlovac and Knin).
Today, professors are here with us: **Samir Kalit, Milna Tudor Kalit, Rajka Božanić**

Cheesemaking today...

Cheesemaking today in the Republic of Croatia:

- 40 approved dairies (small, medium and large dairies for purchasing and processing milk)
- 140 registered family farm cheesemaking (with their own milk)
- 800 registered family farms for the production of fresh cheese and cream (flexibility specific to the Republic of Croatia)