



EUROPEAN REGION OF GASTRONOMY

## Round Table and Hand-Over Ceremony European Region of Gastronomy 2016 - 2017

At the invitation of **George Hatzimarkos, Governor of the South Aegean**  
and organized by IGCAT (International Institute of Gastronomy, Culture, Arts and Tourism)  
Jasmine Room | Electra Metropolis Hotel | Athens | 24 January 2017

**18.00**     **Welcome**  
**George Hatzimarkos**, Governor of the South Aegean

**18.15**     **ROUND TABLE**  
***Food, tourism and sustainability as drivers for regional development***  
Policy-leaders from nine European Regions of Gastronomy discuss food, tourism and development challenges in their regions and share lessons learned. Moderated by **Caroline Couret**, Creative Tourism Network and the participation of:

**Francisco de Calheiros**, President of MinhoIN  
**Ramon Sentmartí**, General Director of PRODECA, Catalonia  
**Anna V Kristensen**, Vice-President, Central Denmark Region  
**Juris Radzevics**, Executive Director, Riga City Council, Riga-Gauja Region  
**Prof. Roberta Garibaldi**, East Lombardy 2017  
**Roel Schutten**, Managing Director of Agrifood Capital, North Brabant  
**Cllr Michael Connolly**, Cathaoirleach (Mayor)  
**George Hatzimarkos**, Governor of South Aegean  
**Daniela Cimpean**, President of the Sibiu County Council

**Closing words** given by **Silvia Draghi**, European Commission, DG GROWTH

**19.00**     **HANDOVER CEREMONY 2016 – 2017**  
Moderated by **Dr. Diane Dodd**, President, IGCAT

Presentations from Catalonia 2016 and Minho 2016. Symbolically the 'baton' will then be presented to Aarhus-Central Denmark Region 2017, East Lombardy 2017 and Riga-Gauja 2017.

**20.00**     **Dinner**  
Menu designed by the winner of the European Young Chef Award 2016, **Stelios Stamatios Misomikes** and the Cyclades Dodecanese Chef Club. Served with typical Tuica, Romanian Plum Brandy from the County of Sibiu.