REPORT
In the framework “On-farm inventory of minor grape varieties in the European Vitis Database”
(Grape on Farm)

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Introduction

Albania has high grapevine diversity as a result of its special geographical conditions, relief structure and climatic variability.
Activities

- Announcement of our initiative

- Contact and discussions with wine growers (that maintain rare historical grape varieties on farm)
Feedback from wine growers and others

- Who is doing the conservation
- What is preserved
- How it is preserved
- What commitments have been made by growers to declare oneself as on farm conservation
Collection of data

- 8 wine growers
- 16 varieties

The on-farm descriptor data are recorded in close cooperation with them.
Situation

- 2 Old minor varieties that are grown in small surface areas but are not included in the National Register.

- There are 14 old minor varieties in the old vineyards as isolated plants or mixed with other varieties.
The procedure for listing a wine variety in the Albanian National List

At the moment of application must be presented:
• The application form

• The form of variety description.

• Photo of fruit, origin data

• The material to be planted (20 grafted plants)

• The payment of test fee.
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- The official tests (DUS)

- The state commission for varieties Attestation (SCVA) assigns a group of experts to observe field trial, estimate and present the report at the meeting of commission

- After the applicant has paid the registration fee, NSSI publishes the registered varieties and includes them in the Official Catalogue of Cultivated Varieties and Species
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- Comparative variety tests
  Prior to admission for marketing of propagating material have to be carried out comparative variety tests at three locations (three years of agronomic data and three years of vinification data are needed)

- Costs
  For registration of the variety:
  DUS test: 200 $
  Registration Fee: 300 $
Thank you for your attention