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STRENGTHENING SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE OF ALTERNATIVE PROTEINS

A Horizon Europe ERA Talents project advancing research, innovation and professional skills through training and international mobility

RECENT NEWS ON APRISE TRAINING PROGRAMME

1. First APRISE Training School in Athens, Greece

From 29 June to 1 July 2026, APRISE successfully completed its first Technical Training School at the Agricultural University of Athens, bringing together APRISE Talents, consortium partners, researchers and industry contributors from across Europe.

The programme covered key areas across the alternative proteins value chain, including plant-based, microbial and cultivated proteins, fermentation and bioprocessing, enzyme applications, non-thermal technologies, protein extraction, and bioreactor design and scale-up. Participants also took part in sessions on leadership, interdisciplinary research, science communication and collaboration across sectors. The Training School included a technical visit to Solmeya, offering participants a closer look at microalgae-based protein production in practice.

2. APRISE Online Training on Personal Career Development & Support Plans

The APRISE online training session “Personal Career Development & Support Plans” was held on 15th June 2026, for APRISE Talents, led by Dr. Erina Guraziu from OpenCom.

The session focused on helping participants define career goals, map their existing skills, identify areas for growth, and translate these reflections into clear personal development plans. APRISE Talents worked on connecting their individual plans with APRISE training activities, secondments, mobility opportunities, and future research pathways in the alternative proteins sector.

3. APRISE Online Training on Advanced Quantitative Methods in Data Analysis

The APRISE online training session “Advanced Quantitative Methods in Data Analysis” was completed by APRISE Talents across four online sessions from 22nd to 25th June 2026.

Led by Dr. Manfred Mudelsee from Advanced Climate Risk Education gUG, the training focused on trend estimation, change-point modelling, correlation analysis, quantitative research methods, and practical approaches to data interpretation. Participants worked with methods that can support scientific research, including applications linked to alternative protein studies and wider research questions.



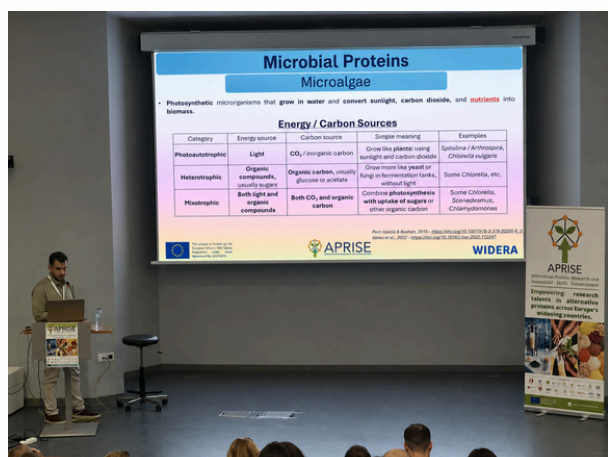
First APRISE Training School,
Athens, Greece



Personal Career Development
and Support Plans



Advanced Quantitative Methods
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4. APRISE Joint Webinar on Insect Farming and Circular Economy

The webinar, titled *Insects for Food, Feed and Beyond: Circular Economy in Practice*, was delivered by Prof. Christos Athanassiou from the University of Thessaly on 10 August 2026 via Microsoft Teams.

The session introduced insect farming as a rapidly developing alternative protein production system and explore how the sector has evolved across Europe and other industrialised regions. It also examined applications extending beyond food and feed, from fertiliser production to plant protection products, demonstrating the wider potential of insect farming within a circular economy.

Other Planned Trainings:

- **Ethics and Integrity in Research**
To be hosted by Nottingham Trent University in August 2026.
- **Basic Statistical Analysis of Extremes**
To be hosted by Advance Climate Risk Education in August 2026.
- **AI Skills and Generative AI**
To be hosted by Telewander in September 2026.
- **Sustainable Food Production**
To be hosted by METU and SUTAS in September 2026
- **Advanced Time Series Analysis**
To be hosted by ACRE in October 2026
- **Life Cycle Assessment**
To be hosted by EcoVibes P.C. in October 2026
- **Consumer Aspects of APros**
To be hosted by METU and IRTA in October 2026

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES



Crossing Socio-Political Barriers in Protein Innovation
1 September 2026, 09:00 CEST
Alessandro Monaco



APRISE CM2 at Saarland University to be hosted by MyBiotech
29 September-1 October 2026



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